

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF SPRINGFIELD

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, June 24th, 2009

Present: Reeve Peter Skrupski
Councillor Karen Lalonde
Councillor Brian Thompson
Councillor Ken Lucko
Councillor Lorne Vaags
Laurent Tétrault, CAO
Colleen Draper, Recording Secretary

Absent: Councillor Bob Bodnaruk

Reeve Skrupski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 09-311 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be amended as follows:
Add: 1. Canada Day Grant
2. Delegation 6:35 p.m. - Gerrett Wojtowicz Re: Springfield Youth Parliament
3. Asphalt Road Repair/Paving Tender
4. 2008 Reserve Transfers
5. Approval of Site Development - Pine Ridge Hollow
6. Split Community Enhancement project off 9.5 (separate item)
7. New Library Board Member
8. 2012 RCMP Service Contract Deadline
9. Anola & District Museum
10. Delegations
11. July 1st celebrations
12. Fred Koster CARRIED (5-0)

DELEGATIONS

Gerrett Wojtowicz met with Council on behalf of the Springfield Youth Parliament to invite Council to attend the 56th session being held March 5 & 6, 2010 in Oakbank and to request financial support.

- 09-312 SKRUPSKI LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve a grant in the amount of \$250.00 for Springfield Youth Parliament for 2009. CARRIED (5-0)

Anthony Robertson met with Council to discuss his proposal for a driving range, batting cages and mini golf. He is requesting a 20-25 year lease of municipal land within NE 22-11-5E with the option to purchase.

- 09-313 SKRUPSKI LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT council authorize the CAO to begin negotiations with Anthony Robertson for an agreement satisfactory to Council for the lease of municipal land within NE 22-11-5E as per proposal submitted to Council of some 25 acres. CARRIED (4-1)

PUBLIC HEARINGS UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

BY-LAWS

By-Law 08-01 - Springfield Zoning By-law

Reeve Skrupski began the second public hearing of the By-law 08-01, Springfield Zoning By-law. He advised that only representations regarding the proposed alterations to the zoning by-law would be heard.

Reeve Skrupski introduced Curwood Ateah from Landmark Planning and Larissa Sveinson, Community Planner with Community Planning Services.

Curwood Ateah gave a brief history of By-law 08-01. Public hearings were held November 4, 2008 and November 18, 2008. Tonight's hearing would be to discuss the proposed changes to the by-law only.

Allan Ciekiewicz addressed Council in opposition to the zoning by-law. He believes that the development plan should be reviewed prior to the zoning by-law as a zoning by-law must work in conjunction with a development plan. He also noted that the fact that Council is holding a second public hearing would indicate that the alterations change the intent of the by-law.

Curwood Ateah stated that the zoning by-law dates back to the 1950's and is in desperate need of updating, even more so than the development plan. Even though the changes are considered minor, Council decided to hold a second public hearing to be more open to the public.

Tangi Bell addressed the following changes:

- Sensitive and Natural Resource Zoning District - Agricultural activities are changed from Conditional Use to a Permitted Use. Feels that this will allow for small scale industrial in an agricultural zone.
- Building Location Certificate should be required with any developments, not left to the discretion of the Development Officer.
- Farm buildings and structures shall be a minimum distance of 50 ft from any lot line - changed from 300 ft. Feels that the area has too many skinny lots, area is chopped up.

Bob Handler asked for clarification on Planned unit developments and the dedication of any public reserve areas to the municipality. Mr. Handler requested a zoning change from "RT" Two Family dwelling to "RM" Multi Family dwelling for Lots 29-31 Block 1 Plan 46813.

Darryl Speer questioned why traffic control is not included in Operational Plans.

Janet Nylen addressed the following changes:

- Small Scale Industrial - Will a public hearing be required? What recourse will Council have once approved?
- Building Location Certificate - Will Council provide a checklist or guidelines for the Development Officer to follow to ensure it is fair and consistent?
- Mapping Changes - Areas 1 & 2 - objects to including Community Recreation Services and Government Services

Reeve Skrupski closed the public hearing.

Minutes

09-314 THOMPSON VAAGS WHEREAS the minutes of the Council meeting held June 10, 2009 have been previously distributed to Council; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the same be and are hereby approved. CARRIED (4-0)

Reeve Skrupski abstained from the vote as he was not present at the June 10 council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Aquifer Environmental Assessment and Study

Reeve Skrupski asked that the item be deferred until Councillor Bodnaruk was in attendance.

Community Well Agreement

09-315 SKRUPSKI LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RM of Springfield enter into a community well agreement with the Rural Municipality of East St. Paul. CARRIED (5-0)

Consent Agenda

09-316 VAAGS THOMPSON WHEREAS a consent agenda has been submitted consisting of 5 items; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the said consent agenda be amended as follows:
Add 8.4 to New Business CARRIED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Selo Ukrainian Dancers

09-317 LUCKO LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the insurance coverage for the Selo Ukrainian Dancers under the Municipality's insurance policy be increased to \$75,000.00. CARRIED (5-0)

Donation in Memory

- 09-318 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield make a donation of \$100.00 in memory of Frank Wasylishen, former Councillor with the RM of Springfield.
CARRIED (5-0)

Council recognized Frank Wasylishen with two minutes of silence.

Supplemental Tax

- 09-319 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT the list of assessment changes dated June 8, 2009, be accepted and that supplemental tax demand statements be authorized with a due date of October 30, 2009.
CARRIED (5-0)

RM of Lac Du Bonnet Re: Assessment Increase - Received as information.

Seasonal Employees

- 09-320 SKRUPSKI LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the hiring of 2 seasonal employees for the Public Works Department.
CARRIED (5-0)

Oakbank Community Club Expansion Reserve

- 09-321 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON WHEREAS the present council of Springfield has significantly increased the investments in community clubs, sports fields, recreation and other cultural areas.
AND WHEREAS this present council has increased the operational grants to community clubs considerably over the last three budgets;
AND WHEREAS the present council has budgeted \$2,000,000 for funding assistance to a capital recreational project associated with Oakbank Community Club within the 2009 financial plan to fund a one time cash injection into this local recreational capital improvement project;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO prepare a fund transfer agreement between the RM and the Oakbank Community Club which meets the satisfaction of council and describes all the conditions within that need to be fulfilled prior to the funds being transferred.
CARRIED (5-0)

Springfield Seniors Housing

Councillor Vaags advised that the required commercial kitchen could cost up to \$250,000.00. He is inquiring whether the municipality would cost share with other fundraisers. Further information to be researched on cost and type of kitchen required.

Graduation Award

- 09-322 VAAGS THOMPSON BE IT RESOLVED THAT the R.M. of Springfield Council provide a scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 for awards recognizing academic achievement for the Springfield Collegiate Institute. CARRIED (5-0)

RM of Reynolds Fire Agreement

Item to be discussed with Fire Chief and brought back to Council.

Canada Day Grant

- 09-323 VAAGS THOMPSON WHEREAS the Rural Municipality of Springfield has been providing an annual grant of \$3,000.00 for fireworks for the Canada Day celebration; and WHEREAS this grant has been confirmed annually by resolution of Council; BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize a grant of \$3,000.00 for the 2009 fireworks display. CARRIED (5-0)

Asphalt Tender

- 09-324 LUCKO LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council enter into an agreement with Bituminex Paving Ltd. for asphalt paving and patching for the 2009 construction season as per the units prices set forth in the 2009 Asphalt Road Repair/Paving Tender with a maximum contract value, before taxes, not to exceed \$250,000.00 plus any additional repairs covered under the Disaster Financial Assistance Program. CARRIED (5-0)

Reserve Transfers

- 09-325 SKRUPSKI THOMPSON WHEREAS proceeds from the sale of properties within 10 -11-4E were received and accrued, September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2008; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the net proceeds of the sale, in the amount of \$299,698.01, be transferred to General Reserve with an effective date of December 31, 2008 as per policy pertaining to the Proceeds from the Disposition of Capital Assets. CARRIED (5-0)
- 09-326 SKRUPSKI LALONDE WHEREAS proceeds from the sale of Lot 2 Plan 47058 within S ½ 27-11-5E were received March 31, 2008; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the net proceeds of the sale, in the amount of \$49,500.00, be transferred to General Reserve with an effective date of December 31, 2008 as per policy pertaining to the Proceeds from the Disposition of Capital Assets. CARRIED (5-0)

Approval of Site Development - Pine Ridge Hollow

- 09-327 SKRUPSKI VAAGS WHEREAS the owners of NE 7-12-5E, 3641015 Manitoba Ltd. o/a Pine Ridge Hollow, have submitted building plans for an 1800 sq. ft. addition;
AND WHEREAS within the registered Zoning and Development agreement, section 4(a) states "no development, including any excavation and/or landscape improvements shall take place within the Planned Area without application to and the approval of the Council of the Municipality."
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the building plans as submitted. CARRIED (5-0)

Lease Agreement - Pine Ridge Hollow

- 09-328 SKRUPSKI LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council enter into a lease agreement with 3641015 Manitoba Ltd. o/a Pine Ridge Hollow in regards to the encroaching onsite parking, refuse bins and lighting on municipal property directly South of NE 7-12-5E. CARRIED (5-0)

Recreation Tour

- 09-329 SKRUPSKI LUCKO BE IT RESOLVED THAT all of Council be delegated to attend a tour on July 9th to visit various Manitoba recreation centre with the OBBC group. CARRIED (5-0)

Community Enhancement Project

- 09-330 SKRUPSKI VAAGS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize an expenditure of \$5,000.00 for various beautification projects (trees, flower beds etc.) throughout the municipality, to come from the 2009 capital. CARRIED (5-0)

Springfield Library Board

- 09-331 LALONDE SKRUPSKI BE IT RESOLVED THAT Anne McCombe be appointed to the Springfield Library Board. CARRIED (5-0)

RCMP Contract Deadline

Councillor Lalonde advised that the AMM has recommended putting suggestions forward before June 30, 2009 regarding the RCMP Contract with the Province. The CAO to respond with concerns such as staffing levels and lack of off-road vehicle enforcement.

Anola & District Museum

- 09-332 LUCKO LALONDE BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$5,000.00 from Ward 4 Ward Appropriation be provided to Anola & District Museum to assist with painting and general maintenance. CARRIED (5-0)

Meeting Delegations

09-333 SKRUPSKI
VAAGS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Lucko be delegated to attend meetings with the municipal solicitor on June 8 and June 19. CARRIED (5-0)

Canada Day

Councillor Lucko asked if the Canada Day celebrations could be alternated between the different communities in Springfield.

Fred Koster

Councillor Lucko advised that he had received correspondence from a resident of Springfield requesting to be paid for pushing snow on a municipal roadway. Manager of Operations and Services to respond.

Adjournment

SKRUPSKI

THAT this meeting stand adjourned the time being 9:20 p.m. CARRIED (6-0)

Peter Skrupski
Reeve

Laurent Tétrault
Chief Administrative Officer