

Rural Municipality of Kingston

Regular Monthly Meeting April 13th, 2021

Emyvale Recreation Center at 7 PM

PRESENT:

Chair Alan Miller
Joe Dolphin
Keith Boire
Tom Coady
Dwight Thompson
Darlene MacDonald
Alan Holmes

ALSO PRESENT:

Administrator Dianne Dowling
Wayne Gairns, Resident

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Mayor Miller.

1. Approval of Agenda as circulated:

Motion:

"to Approve the Agenda as circulated with the addition of discussion on Westwood Hills." (M)
Darlene MacDonald (S) Dwight Thompson, Motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes of the March 16th, 2021 meeting.

Motion:

"To approve the minutes of the march meeting with noted corrections" (M) Joe Dolphin (S) Tom Coady, Motion carried.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- 1. SPA Amendment:** The Mayor advised Council that he received a call from the Province concerning the previous Westwood Hill application and brought up the fact that Council was still awaiting a response from the Province concerning clarification on the impact of the Special Planning Area amendment on Kingston's Official Plan. The response was that the Province has been quite busy but is working on a response.
- 2. OFFICIAL PLAN:** Councilor Boire said that he and Joe met and discussed the Official Plan review. He noted that some recommendations will be forthcoming. He mentioned one area of concern is the regarding the ownership of a utility. He noted that the Plan should designate a sewer utility be mandatory and since the Municipality have no desire to operate a Utility and that section should just refer to creation of a private utility.
- 3. High Speed internet:** Dwight updated Council saying the Provincial agreement has been signed and submitted. Once the Bell agreement is signed work should start on the project. He noted there appears to be only one snag concerning one property on the Peters Road.

Tom Coady interjected and confirmed that his information is that that issue has been resolved. Council Thompson confirmed all the community will be served except for the phone numbers starting with 658. Discussed a way to advise the residents and noted that a one-page update could be put on the website advising on what the Council has accomplished in this last year.

4. COMMUNITY PLANNING:

1. Report attached.
2. Administrator to forward a copy of two application to Council.
3. Administrator to forward information on the National building code to Council.

5. FINANCE REPORT:

1. Reports filed for year end.
2. Request from the ballfield committee for \$5,000.00 grant approved in the Capital Budget. Wayne Gairns gave a brief update on the progress of the committee. He noted the ballfield has been surveyed. He thanked Council for the donation and left the meeting at 7:45 PM.
3. The Administrator mentioned the Development Officer Payroll and asked if there was any update. The Mayor replied that he has been working on an agreement with Miltonvale Park on shared services with Miltonvale Park. He said the fee will be \$28.00 per hour and Miltonvale Park has volunteered to coordinate the payroll and bill Kingston. Noted that Micheal needs a letter confirming employment by the end of June.
4. Mayor Miller continued to say he had received calls from Warren Grove concerning administration of the MGA and an invitation to consider sharing services. The Council discussed the implications of the MGA and the future creation of a municipal office. Noting the implications of having a person in the office alone for 20 hours per week. The Mayor will follow up with Warren Grove and Hunter River concerning creating a shared service model.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. **OFFICIAL PLAN:** Council Boire and Councilor Dolphin will continue to review the Official Plan.
2. **Draft EMO Bylaw:** The draft EMO bylaw was circulated and the Mayor asked if Council are ready to do first reading:
MOTION: *"To approve first reading of the EMO Bylaw as circulated."* (M) Tom Coady (S) Darlene MacDonald, Motion Carried.
3. **Recreation Center Internet Connection:** Discussed the need for an internet connection for the Emyvale Recreation Center and Tom Coady will speak to Leonard Cusack on this issue.

Being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm by Keith Boire.

Submitted,

Dianne Dowling, Administrator