Perth-Andover Village Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 13th, 2022

Present: Mayor Bell, – Deputy Mayor McPhail, Councillors - Sheila Cummings, Cindy McLaughlin, Sheldon Shaw, Jason Green and Dan Dionne, CAO

1. Mayor Bell called the meeting to order, and no conflicts of interest were declared.

2. Councillor Cummings ***MOVED*** the approval of the May 2nd and 24th meeting minutes. ***SECONDED*** by Deputy Mayor McPhail. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

3. The CAO presented an update on Local Government Reform which included an update on the Naming process, budget preparation, and light utility expansion. Regional Service Commission reform included the discussion on financial cost of new services and the delivery of economic development services to the commission.

4. It was reported by the CAO that the planning and advisory committee turned down the request for a variance on Till Road for an additional apartment.

5. A thank you letter was received from the Scots Festival for municipal support again this year.

6. A letter was received from Dr. John Dorman, President and CEO of Horizon Health regarding concerns for the lack of staffing available to work in the laboratory. After discussion it was felt that the municipality should promote these vacancies on social media to hopefully attract applicants. Staff will include links to the job postings as part of our social media blitz.

7. The Perth Elks Lodge invited Council members to celebrate its 70th anniversary on Saturday July 9th.

8. The letter was received from Jill Green, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding funding for improvements to provincially designated highways.

9. The CAO presented municipal department reports, strategic plan updates, and the Fire Department report.

10. Mayor Bell provided an update from UMNB, and Councillors gave reports on their meetings representing the Village Council.

11. Currently 10 properties are being reviewed for unsightly and dangerous premises.

12. Council meeting dates for the remainder of the term were discussed. The tentative schedule includes meetings on July 18th, August 8th, September 12th and 26th, October 3rd and 17th, and November 7th. Additional meetings will be scheduled when required.

13. Information was provided regarding the National Knowledge Exchange Workshop on Crime Prevention and Community Safety for Rural Communities. Council members are invited to attend the four-hour session on June 22nd.

14. The CAO provided an update on the installation of fiber op in the community by Bell.

15. A request for proposals has been issued for a new garbage truck. Staff will report back upon closing.

16. Meeting adjourned.