Southern Victoria Village Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 28th, 2023

Present: Mayor McLaughlin; Councillors - Sheila Cummings, Paul Lagace, Sheldon Shaw, Tami McPhail, Sara Plant, and CAO Dan Dionne.

1. Mayor McLaughlin called the meeting to order.

2. No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Councillor Cummings ***MOVED*** the approval of the 2024 General Operation Budget with a total Warrant of $2,377,595 and tax rates per $100 of assessment will be $1.2300 for Perth-Andover, $1.2644 for Aroostook, and $0.7058 for the local service district areas. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Plant. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

4. Deputy Mayor Shaw ***MOVED*** the approval of the BIA levy of .05 (cents) per $100 of Assessment for 2024. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Plant**.** ***MOTION CARRIED.***

5. Councillor Cummings ***MOVED*** the approval of the 2024 Water Commission Budget of $ $856,817 for the P-A Network and a budget of $69,980. For the P-A Network the water rate of $480 per unit and $1.17 per cubic meter for metered customers. The Sewer rates will be $ 255 per unit and .5949 cents per cubic meter for metered customers. The Aroostook Network will have a water rate of $225. Early payment discount will be 3% & customers with monthly budget will receive a $10 or $5 per unit discount. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Plant. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

6. Deputy Mayor Shaw ***MOVED*** the approval of the 2024 Light Commission balanced Budget of $4,097,319. This includes a 4.8% rate increase on April 1st due to the increased purchase cost of 4.8% on January 1st. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Cummings. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

7. Councillor Plant ***MOVED*** the Approval of Marsh Canada Limited insurance proposal for 2024 - $121,544 ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Cummings. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

8. Councillor McPhail ***MOVED*** the transfer from the Village General Operation account to the Recreation Capital Reserve Account- $12,000. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Cummings. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

9. Deputy Mayor Shaw ***MOVED*** the transfer from Village General Operation Account to the Fire Dept Capital Reserve Account - $63,871. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Plant. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

10. Councillor Cummings ***MOVED*** the transfer from Village Capital Reserve to the Village General Operation Account - $400,000.00 for the purchase of a garbage truck and equipment. ***SECONDED BY*** Deputy Mayor Shaw. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

11. Councillor Cummings ***MOVED*** the transfer from Light General Account to Light Capital Reserve Fund - $160,000. ***SECONDED BY*** Deputy Mayor Shaw. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

12. Deputy Mayor Shaw ***MOVED*** the transfer from Water General Account to P-A System Water Capital Reserve Fund - $265,000. ***SECONDED BY*** Councillor Plant. ***MOTION CARRIED.***

13. Adjournment.