

Rural Municipality of Wellington

Council Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2023

1. Call meeting to order

Mayor MacCaull welcomes all to the meeting.

2. Wellington Fire Department Report

Leon Perry, Fire Chief attended the meeting and shared the following items:

Calls: 6 calls, 3 medical calls, 1 brush fire, 1 garbage fire, and 1 motor vehicle accident.

- All radios are installed in the trucks and have been programmed.
- The new truck quotes have increased significantly over the past year.
- The new truck will provide reliable water access for fires.

3. Approval of Agenda

It is moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried

4. Conflict of interest declaration – none declared.

5. Approval of Minutes – June 15, 2023

It is moved and seconded that the minutes be approved with one change:

Motion carried

6. Business arising from the minutes

a. Affordable Housing

CAO is working on the application. At first, we thought that it was possible to apply for projects directly relate to infrastructure but after more information, it is not possible. However, the funds released through the HAF can be used for infrastructure projects needed for the new subdivisions. At a first step, Council has to approve the the application phase and can approve individual projects when the projects are approved.

It is moved and seconded that the Municipality apply for funding through the Housing Accelerator Fund for projects related to new housing development in Wellington.

Motion Carried

b. PEI Department of Transportation work updates

Pondside Drive – no update

Storm sewer – Sunset Drive – no update

- c. Pollinators park** - The work is difficult to move forward because of the wet conditions. All plants were ordered and John's greenhouse is accommodating us at the moment. Discussion was held on how to relay information for the park to the public. The website will be useful and it would be great to have a pamphlet that could give more detailed information to visitors. A waterproof box is needed and the booklets can be held at Barlow's Mill Visitors Centre.

d. Subdivision applications

AJL – waiting for soil analysis

Wellington Estates – waiting for soil analysis.

- e. Solar panels – Wellington Legion** – There are wetlands on the land so the solar panels need to be moved. It will not be necessary to transfer the village land to the legion. It was noted that we need to find a way to inform future Wellington staff and counsellors that this land is not to be sold because of wetlands. CAO will add this to the file.

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7. Finance- Year to date monthly report

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8. Committee reports

1. Sewer & Municipal Services

a) Sidewalk – Sunset Drive – the work will begin in mid-August.

b) Trail upgrade – no updates here.

c) Sewer flushing is being done through Preston.

d) Generator program – CAO to check with province if we can add one in the Vanier Centre.

2. Tourism & Recreation – no new information

3. Bingo and Social Services – no new information.

5. EMO, Fire and Police– no new information

6. Technology & Communications - CAO to provide the bylaws to Mya.

7. Bienvenue/Welcome& Immigration Évangéline– the consultant's report on the Welcoming residents to the Evangeline area will be circulated and the work will begin this fall.

8. Planning Board, Bylaws and Policies – no new information

9. Health Services – a Nurse Practitioner will be in the office very soon.

9. New Business

a. Fire Department Equipment Project

It is moved and seconded that the Municipality apply for a loan for the purchase of a new Tanker for the fire department. CAO to share the final numbers with Council for approval.

Motion Carried

- b. **Development permits** – no permits.
- c. **Asset Management Program** – no new information.
- d. **Canada Post Mailboxes** – Canada Post moved the mailboxes from the Coop to the side of Commercial Street which was dangerous for drivers and pickups. After much discussion with different levels of decision making for Canada Post and the Mayor, it was decided to move them to the parking lot on Barlows Mill Park. The Municipality is not responsible to clear the parking lot for this. Canada Post will pay for the snow clearing.
- e. **Prince County Hospital Foundation**
The medical equipment is ongoing, and a representative met with CAO to discuss future donations.
It is moved and seconded that the Municipality donate a total of \$ 4500.00 over three years for the PCH Foundation Equipment Campaign with the first payment of \$ 1500.00 to be done in 2023-2024.

Motion Carried

10. Correspondence - none

11. Other items – none

12. Next Meeting – September 21, 2023

13. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm