
The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with Mayor Gillies, Councillor McMillan, Councillor Shay, Councillor Hunt and Clerk Treasurer Don Smith in attendance. Councillor Loder attended as an observer.

1. **Monthly Payments:** Payments were reviewed and recommended for Council approval.
2. **External Audit:** The annual audit is complete and the auditor will present the statements to Council on Tuesday, April 15th at 6:00 pm. Copies will be circulated to Council prior to the presentation for review. Formal approval of the statements will be on the agenda for the Open Session of Council later that evening.
3. **Communities in Bloom:** The Village is registered for Communities in Bloom (CIB) under the Friends Category for this year. This will open communications channels and insight into professional advice and potential partners. The Clerk Treasurer recommended a Committee be established including a Chair and a number of members to address the CIB initiative for 2014. After the cost of registration, there remains \$2,264 in the budget for the year.
4. **Flooding Costs:** The Clerk Treasurer advised Council that the costs of providing dumpsters and the related tipping fees following the January flood event was \$18,098.28.
5. **Sullivan Park:** The Committee discussed the status of Phase I of the project which is on hold until the condition of the grounds permit construction to begin. One claim was filed with the Regional Development Corporation and the Village received grant proceeds of \$14,592.00.
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That grant is now closed and the Village will submit a second grant for the balance of Phase I as well as the cost of Phase II. The Clerk Treasurer advised the Committee that a plan is needed for the completion of Phase I and Phase II with supported cost estimates to accompany the grant application. The Sullivan Park Committee will meet on Monday, April 14th at 6:00 pm to discuss the project.
6. **Volunteer Recognition:** Councillor McMillan will be prime on this event which is slated for Wednesday, April 23rd at 7:00 pm. Council is encouraged to suggest candidates for consideration by Monday, April 14th. Council will review the names and select the recipients that evening before or after the Sullivan Park meeting. The criteria is that the person must reside in the Village and have provided volunteer service in the region.

7. Transfer Payments: Discussions are being held between the Province and the various provincial associations (e.g. UMNB) regarding the services provided by the Province to Municipalities, Rural Communities and Local Service Districts. There is some thought of a scenario whereby municipalities could assume responsibility for one or more services currently provided by the Province and receive funding from the Province to do so. Within days, Council should receive a list of the services and a questionnaire to complete. The Clerk Treasurer will provide these documents when available.

8. Parson's Brook: The Clerk Treasurer provided an update on the status of the Watercourse and Wetland Alteration (WAWA) permit application. A number of questions were posed and answers provided by Committee members. Councillor Shay will obtain the signatures of support from the property owners for those properties that include a portion of Parson's Brook. The Clerk Treasurer will work with the RSC8 regarding measurements and mapping. The intention is to work in concert with the Town to submit a combined package to the Province. The Clerk Treasurer will work with Town CAO

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Hatcher to do so.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 6th at 5:00 p.m.

Clerk Treasurer

Chairman