

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gillies called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Steven Gillies
Councillor Harley Hunt
Councillor Patsy Shay

Deputy Mayor Ben Whalen
Councillor Sharon Loder
Councillor Faith McMillan

Clerk Treasurer Don Smith
Works Supervisor Rod Holland

Administrative Clerk Robby Obermeier

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of Conflict of Interest.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Mayor called for a motion to approve the agenda.

M/S/C (Hunt/Whalen)

**Motion to approve the agenda for the
July 21, 2015 Council Meeting.**

DELEGATIONS:

RCMP – Monthly Report – Acting Sgt. George Parisella

Acting Sgt. Parisella presented the monthly report. He noted that Sgt. Dale Morgan has been promoted and is no longer in the Sussex office. Acting Sgt. Parisella will be directing operations in the Sussex detachment until a replacement is appointed. He said there were no events in the Sussex Corner area of major concern. He also said the key areas being focused on this year are traffic (e.g. impaired driving) and drug control.

Flood Mitigation – Malcolm McLeod

Mr. McLeod delivered two presentations (1) monitoring / maintenance of Parson's Brook and (2) maintenance of the Trout Creek banks. Both presentations were well received.

Parson's Brook:

- There was an overflow this spring but with no serious impacts
- Thanks to the Works Department for their diligence in monitoring the brook
- Recommend annual inspections and maintenance as required
- Recommend clearing debris from the upper section

- Recommend working with the Town to reconstruct a berm
- Recommend other maintenance based on inspections

Trout Creek:

- Focus on the state of the old armor stone barrier
- Consider the armor stone barrier work adjacent to Sullivan Park
- Recommend proceeding with the use of CBCL to produce a report / solutions
- Recommend seeking funding and acting on the CBCL recommendations

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

M/S/C (McMillan/Shay) Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council on Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

M/S/C (McMillan/Hunt) Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council on Monday, June 22, 2015.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Councillor Loder suggested the matter of Video Equipment – Monitor Trout Creek be held until a later date. There were no other items of business arising from the previous Council Meeting.

REPORTS – COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL:

Administration and Finance

Councillor McMillan gave the report from the July meeting. A request has been received from Blackstone Productions to utilize the amphitheatre on Sunday, August 23rd for a fundraising event in support of the Sharing Club. Council supported the request and Mayor Gillies will advise the requestor and also suggest the requestor contact Sussex and District Minor Baseball as well as Senior Baseball so there are no conflicts. As per the recommendation from the Administration and Finance Committee, Council will meet to discuss process, procedure, fees, etc. prior to the event mentioned above.

M/S/C (Loder/Whalen) Motion to authorize the use of the amphitheatre on August 23rd by Blackstone Productions for a fundraising event in support of the Sharing Club.

M/S/C (Shay/McMillan) Motion to approve the June 2015 payments:

General	\$ 70,722.90
Water/Sewer	\$ 23,079.28

M/S/C (Loder/Shay)

Motion to authorize the expenditure of \$375.00 to sponsor a hole and enter a team in the Golf Fore The Cure Charity Golf Tournament.

Flood

Councillor Loder said although members of the Flood Committee did meet and discuss flood related items, there was no quorum and no minutes were taken. Having said that, she did have two items for Council's consideration. The first related to the presentation made earlier by Committee Vice-Chair Malcolm McLeod. She stated the Village should perform annual inspections of Parson's Brook and carry out the necessary maintenance based on the findings. Following the inspection / maintenance a report would be made to Council. She noted that the presentation already indicated work to be done and the Village should seriously consider such action. Deputy Mayor Whalen said that inspection was one thing but maintaining the watercourse was another. He said Council should know what maintenance was recommended and the related cost before the work is carried out. Council agreed following which Councillor Loder offered the following motion:

M/S/C (Loder/McMillan)

Motion that the Village of Sussex Corner perform semi-annual (e.g. May and August) inspections of Parson's Brook and submit a report by the following Council Meeting.

Councillor Loder then discussed the response from CBCL for a study of Trout Creek with respect to bank stabilization. The Councillor suggested a motion to acquire the services of CBCL to do a study and deliver a report. She indicated the budget allocation fell slightly short of the price quoted. Councillor McMillan asked the amount of the shortfall and the Clerk stated approximately \$1,000. Councillor McMillan suggested Councillor Loder contact CBCL and negotiate a reduced rate. At the same time, Deputy Mayor Whalen suggested Councillor Loder ask if CBCL could provide a "radius of curvature" as part of the study / report. Councillor Hunt said if the Village is short of funding for the study then where is the funding to actually do the repairs. Mayor Gillies said the Village needs to move ahead and see some action. Councillor Hunt said the Village should simply take the results of the last study and act on that. Deputy Mayor Whalen said the last study focused on ways to help the property owner alleviate flood risk (e.g. relocating). In the end, Councillor Loder withdrew her motion and said she would contact CBCL and discuss the quoted price as well as ask about the "radius of curvature". Once she has the information, Council will convene a Special Meeting to deal with the findings.

Works, Water and Sewer

Councillor Loder presented the July Committee report. Deputy Mayor Whalen suggested contact be made with the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DOTI) to arrange for a meeting to discuss both capital and maintenance routines and projects as well as the related financial responsibility for each. Council was of the opinion that a discussion with DOTI representing a small municipality would be less than productive.

Councillor Hunt suggested working through UMNB to approach the matter on behalf of all of the UMNB municipalities. Deputy Mayor Whalen will draft a resolution for Council's approval following which it will be forwarded the UMNB Executive Director Raymond Murphy for presentation at the 2015 UMNB Conference. On another note, the Village has a surplus mowing deck for sale and two bids were received for the unit.

M/S/C (Loder/Whalen) Motion to sell a surplus mowing deck to the highest bidder for \$501.

Accept Committee Reports

M/S/C (McMillan/Loder) Motion to accept the Administration and Finance Committee and the Works, Water and Sewer Committee reports.

REPORTS – OTHER:

Chamber of Commerce

Councillor McMillan said there are no summer meetings.

PotashCorp Civic Centre (PCC)

Councillor Shay said the PCC is still seeking a suitable candidate for the vacant position of General Manager. The next Board Meeting is July 30th.

Region Service Commission (RSC8)

The Mayor said the RSC8 has recently produced a flood brochure that will be going out to every property owner and will be available on their website. Additional copies will be available at the RSC8 office. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for September 22nd.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Citizen Reimbursement of Ditching Costs

A request was received from a local citizen (Clifford Smith) requesting the Village reconsider a previous decision to deny his request for reimbursement of costs incurred to clean out a ditch on Leonard Drive. Council determined the matter to have been resolved and no further action required.

Thank You – Crosswinds

A certificate of appreciation was received from Crosswinds for the Bronze Sponsorship by the Village in support of the Across Town for Crosswinds fundraiser.

BYLAWS:

There were no bylaws before Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

Signage Invoice – Massive Graphics

**M/S/C (Shay/Loder) Motion to authorize the payment of \$1,440.75
to Massive Graphics for the sign located at the
amphitheatre site.**

Councillor Hunt voted nay.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M/S/C (Hunt/Shay) Motion to adjourn the Council meeting.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 p.m.

Clerk / Treasurer

Mayor