

The Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay
March 11, 2020
Regular Council Meeting – 7:00pm

Present: Mayor Paul Brown, Deputy Mayor Herb Clark, Councillors Ghislaine Duplain, Ted Andrews and Brian McKinnon

Regrets: Wayne Crosby

CAO: Joanne McCarvill

Invited Guest Speaker: Jamie MacKay, Canadian Red Cross

Two residents in attendance

1. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brown at 7:05 pm.

2. **Agenda**

Motion 2020:38 It was moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Councillor Duplain that a revision to the Agenda include the letter received today from the Town of Kensington regarding Fire Dues. With this revision the Agenda is approved. **MOTION CARRIED**

3. **Disclosure of Conflict of Interest** There were no conflict of Interest items on the Agenda

4. **Introduction of Jamie MacKay representing Canadian Red Cross**

Mayor Brown introduced Mr. MacKay.

Mr. MacKay began his presentation noting that he is a volunteer with the Canadian Red Cross. He is one of 66 Province wide. He shared some of his ‘most rewarding’ experiences as a volunteer with the Red Cross. Some areas that the Red Cross work in the community is through programs such as Swimming and Water and Safety programs, First Air Courses, as well as assisting families following home fires as well as disaster relief to communities at large. He noted that the Town of Kensington provided him with an office where he is able to store a quantity of emergency provisions that may be used in the area such as cots, blankets, personal items, as well as kits designed for clean up following some disasters.

He identified that the Red Cross may provide emergency food, emergency clothing, personal services and family reunification services. Mr. MacKay identified the Health Equipment Loan Program offered to people free of charge for people recovering from illness or surgery allowing people to remain in the homes.

Often chaos and confusion accompany disasters and can separate families. The Red Cross offers help to re-establish contact with immediate family members through a registration process.

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Mr. MacKay indicated his willingness to help the Municipality in establishing an EMO Plan. It was noted that the Municipality hopes to share services with the Town of Kensington and that an Agreement to share services in a crisis hopefully will be formulated together in the months ahead.

The Mayor, on behalf of Council sincerely thanked Mr. MacKay for his continued service to the Red Cross and to our communities.

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion 2020:39 It was moved by Deputy Mayor Clark and seconded by Councillor McKinnon to accept the minutes of the January 15, 2020 meeting as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED**

6. Business arising from minutes

It was noted that we had not received any response from our ad asking the public for input into community signage. A call from a graphic designer interested in creating a sign for a fee had been received. This person lives outside the municipality. A discussion followed and Council members were encouraged to come up with a sign for consideration at the May Council meeting.

7. Budget 2020-2021

It was noted that a letter had been received from the Town of Kensington on March 10, 2020 identifying an increase in the fire dues from \$79,295.04 to \$87,360.00. Discussion followed.

Motion: 2020:40

The Budget was reviewed and discussed. Because of the 10% increase in fire dues mandated by the Town of Kensington, it was moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Deputy Mayor Clark to set the tax rate at 0.075 cents to allow the municipality to break even in the upcoming fiscal year and to accept this revision to the Budget. The Nil Capital Budget was approved as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

8. Records Retention and Disposal Schedule Bylaw, Access to Information and Protection of Personal Information Bylaw, EMO Bylaw, Shared Services Bylaw

Motion: 2020:41

Moved by Councillor Duplain and seconded by Councillor McKinnon that 2020-009 known as Shared Services Bylaw, 2020-010 known as Records Retention Bylaw, 2020-011 known as Access to Information and Protection of Personal Information Bylaw, and 2020-012 known as Municipal Emergency Management Program Bylaw be confirmed as read a second time at this Council meeting.

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“And Whereas Bylaws 2020-009 known as Shared Services Bylaw, 2020-010 known as Records Retention Bylaw, 2020-011 known as Access to Information and Protection of Personal Information Bylaw, and 2020-012 known as Municipal Emergency Management Program Bylaw be hereby adopted at this Council meeting”. **MOTION CARRIED**

9. Indian River Festival – Notional Allocation Application for heat pumps

Motion: 2020-42

Moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Councillor Duplain.

Be it resolved that the Council for the Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay accepts the CIP (Capital Investment Plan) Application for the Indian River Festival Heat Pumps for the purchase and installation of four 36,000 BTU Daikin Heat Pumps.

The Application will be submitted to the Infrastructure Secretariat for review in the Spring of 2020.
MOTION CARRIED

10: Other Business

Motion: 2020-43

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Clark and seconded by Councillor Ted Andrews that Joanne write a response to the Town of Kensington’s CAO Geoff Baker identifying Council’s disappointment with the way the increase in fire dues by the Town was provided to Council at the 11th hour. A suggestion to establish a fixed 5-year Agreement for this price will also form part of the letter.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday May 13, 2020 at 7pm in the Malpeque Bay Credit Union Boardroom.

Paul Brown, Mayor
Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay
Dated: March 11, 2020 at Kensington, PE

Joanne McCarvill, CAO
Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay