

The Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay
June 14, 2023
Regular Council Meeting – 7:00pm
Kensington Town Hall Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Paul Brown, Councillors Ashley, Duplain, MacLellan and Simmons
Regrets: Deputy Mayor, Brian McKinnon and Councillor Wayne Crosby
CAO: Joanne McCarvill

1. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brown at 7:10 pm.

2. **Agenda**

Motion 2023:124 *It was moved by Councillor Duplain and seconded by Councillor Simmons that the agenda be accepted as presented. **Motion Carried***

3. **Disclosure of Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflict-of-interest items.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion 2023:125 *It was moved by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor MacLellan to accept the minutes of the May 8, 2023 meeting as circulated. **Motion Carried***

5. **Business Arising**

Motion 2023:126 *It was moved by Councillor Duplain and seconded by Councillor MacLellan to provide sponsorship funding in the amount of \$250.00 to the WI in Malpeque and Spring Valley Hall for their July 1 events and \$500.00 to Princetown United Church for their fish fry events. **Motion Carried***

It was noted that Mayor Brown and Councillor Simmons will attend the July 1 flag raising and barbeque at Spring Valley Hall at 11AM. Councillor Simmons will also attend the Malpeque WI Ice Cream and Strawberry Social at 2PM.

Mayor Brown and Councillor Duplain will volunteer at the fish fry on July 15 from 4-6PM and Councillors Ashley and Simmons will volunteer at the fish fry on August 13 from 4-6PM.

EMO Mailout

The mailout will be mailed on or before Monday, June 19, 2023, and will include a municipal magnet, an EMO information card and a municipal information document.

CIP for Generators for Spring Valley Hall and Malpeque Community Centre

Motion 2023:127 *It was moved by Councillor Duplain and seconded by Councillor Simmons that the Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay accepts the CIP (Capital Investment Plan) Application for the Malpeque Community Centre and the Spring Valley Hall Generator project. The total cost of each of the projects is \$22,000.00 for a combined total of \$44,000.00. To make funds available for the Generator projects the Municipality will transfer the funds from project 52.2.3 Bicycle Lane provided the applications are approved by the Infrastructure Secretariat Committee. **Motion Carried***

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6. Request for funding/sponsorship of summer lectures Keir Memorial Museum, Malpeque

An email dated May 24, 2023, from Dorothy Peters, on behalf of the Board of Directors of Keir Memorial Museum requesting council consideration of providing funding/sponsorship of the summer lecture series (The Talks) held over a six-week period at the museum was discussed.

Motion 2023:128 *It was moved by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor MacLellan to sponsor the summer talks in the amount of \$250.00. Motion carried.*

7. Request for consideration to a mosquito control program

CAO McCarvill identified that she had received an email from Matilde Tomaselli a wildlife health professional living in Hamilton seeking council's support to establish a mosquito control program in the municipality.

In 2020, Council had invited Jake and Kathrine Rix from Bug Busters to a meeting to discuss the possibility of establishing such a program. It was determined that the scope of the project was too large, and the company did not have the manpower necessary to locate and service every area of the municipality that has standing water. It was also determined by Council that it would be a very big job to contact every landowner for permission for Bug Busters to enter their property.

Ms. Tomaselli has been in contact with Bug Busters, and she understands that the company is now able to provide the municipality with a large-scale plan necessary to implement a mosquito control program.

Ms. Tomaselli has indicated that she is willing to assist the municipality in whatever way she could.

There was general consensus that Council is not interested in pursuing a large-scale mosquito control program at this time. CAO McCarvill will email Ms. Tomaselli with Council's decision and identify that Council supports a homeowner's individual decision to seek assistance to control mosquitos on their property.

8. Other Business

Hamilton Hall

Councillor Ashley reported that she had been in contact with hall committee members and identified projects that the Canada Community Build Fund could support, such as having the building insulated and possibly adding heat pumps.

Councillor Ashley wondered if Council would consider giving the committee money towards the necessary repairs required. Mayor Brown identified that such a request could be submitted and asked that the committee prepare quotes for the intended work for review by Council.

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Fostering Women in Leadership Session #2

Councillor Simmons identified that she had attended the second session recently. It was held in Georgetown. The session focussed on sharing what municipalities are working on. Of particular interest was learning that the Province had created parking lots on government owned land to help ease traffic congestion at beaches such as Basin Head, a provincial beach and Lakeside a public beach. The afternoon session was put on by the Atlantic Summer Institute whose mandate is to help municipalities to create programs to support residents’ mental health, remove barriers and encourage participation in community events. Councillor Simmons shared the steps our municipality is currently taking to bring the focus back to the community by sponsoring activities such as Canada Day celebrations and other local events.

Thunder Cove

A discussion was held in relation to the ongoing parking and safety concerns on the Thunder Cove Road. CAO McCarvill identified that Council’s letter of May 15, 2023, to Minister Hudson, (Transportation & Infrastructure) has not yet received a response. It was requested that CAO McCarvill send a follow-up email to Minister Hudson as well as Minister Lantz (Housing, Land and Communities) and MLA, Matthew MacKay and attach the letter of May 15, 2023. It was suggested that the email also include a request for the Province to create a parking area on the property they own at the end of the Thunder Cove Road.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next meeting Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at Sea View Hall.

Paul Brown, Mayor
Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay
Dated: June 14, 2023, at Spring Valley, PE

Joanne McCarvill, CAO
Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay