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COUNCIL CHAMBER MINUTES

PRESENT:

CHIEF SACHA LABILLOIS
COUNCILLOR RON SIMONSON
COUNCILLOR TONY MILLER

COUNCILLOR DEREK MULCAHY
COUNCILLOR JAKE CAPLIN
COUNCILLOR CANDACE NARVIE

DATE: TUESDAY, MAY 23th, 2023

Also present: CEO - Tanya Barnaby
COUNCILLOR MISTY LABILLOIS - away

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 9:40 AM

**Elders Present: Merle Peter-Paul
Phyllis Caplin**

Ray Stebbins

Janet Mulcahy

- Chief welcomes Elders to the Council Chambers, reviews agenda and housekeeping items with them.
- MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motioned to approve & accept today's agenda and Councillor Candace Narvie seconded the motion. All in favour with additions. Motion carried.
- MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motioned to approve the minutes of May 16th, 2023 with changes as noted. Councillor Candace Narvie seconded the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Shane Noel is applying for a grant for additional funding for the ERB Greenhouse as was discussed. A BCR was presented to Council for signatures to add to the application. MIC: Councillor Jake Caplin approved the BCR application to the signed by Council for the Local Food Infrastructure Fund for 2023. Councillor Derek Mulcahy seconded the motion. All in favour. Motion carried. The BCR was signed by all Council.
- Discuss the Belledune Port Authority upcoming party to celebrate the 5th Year Anniversary of signing the Protocol with MTI, BPA and Pabineau. The event will be Saturday, May 27th at the AHG. All families from ERB are invited as well as Pabineau, Belledune Port Authority and MTI. Barbie coordinated this event with Rick Hutchinson and BPA. The re-signing of the Protocol will be held later to allow time to negotiate new terms to the current protocol.
- A Meet & Greet in-person with Cannaco Group – Harry & Danny plus their lawyer Edwin via phone to present the possibilities for ERB on on-line gaming. Discussion of options with Elders & Council – Q&A time for the 2 presenting.
- Lunch served for Council & Elders. Q&A time.
- Meet with CEO for updates. She met with the potential home owner interested in selling their home to ERB. The initial offer made to them was declined by the home owner.
- MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motions to provide offers of \$195,000 for the Baybreeze Drive House and \$230,000 for the package deal of the other Baybreeze House and ERB lots. This motion seconded by Councillor Candace

Narvie. All in favour but 1 Councillor. Quorum voted in favour therefore motion carried.

- Continue with CEO updates. A meeting was held with the Directors. They were told that in the next while HR updates will be happening to include more detailed job descriptions and pay scales to coordinate with their jobs. The Directors are happy and relieved that this structure will be soon in place. Discussion with them about wellness in the workplace. There should be some mental health days in place. This allows for staff to get to know each other outside of the work environment, allow for respect to flow and moving our staff in the right direction.
- Draft #3 of the Community Assistance Fund was presented to Council. It was approved. MIC: Councillor Candace Narvie motions to accept the changes to the Community Assistance Fund as suggested. Councillor Derek Mulcahy seconds the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Discuss future orientation of the new Chief and Council after June 10th. A training program will be developed with Barbie, Tanna and Tanya. It will include info from the Indian Act, HR Policies, Programs & Services, By-laws and ISC.
- Suggested for Directors to have a group chat – allowing for instant communication – not have to wait for meeting to discuss issues & questions.
- A draft for the General Manager position for the Osprey Truck Stop is completed and should be posted in the next week. Repairs still are needed for the canopy. Candace will follow-up on the net-metering for the solar panels. That area needs to be well-maintained – discussed with Capital & Housing. Jake will follow-up about the card-lock system.
- Grand re-opening will be June 21st. Shell will give \$4,000 for the event – there will be a BBQ, prizes, cash prizes, gas gift card prizes to win.
- Meet with Mayor Mario Pelletier of Boi-Joli regarding the MSA – Municipal Service Agreement. This MSA has been updated and ready to sign. Future to check on the Cove Road homes to sent them invoices for their water consumption. They would pay their water bills to ERB directly. Now that the new subdivision is ATR'd then now we will include these homes in the Fire Protection service with Village Bois-Joli. Barbie will draft a letter to confirm this service.
- Future for the Sports-Fund – create a membership criteria – go through Community consultation? Draft up a possible policy. Work with current committee.
- Candace will distribute the copies of the BCR's to the home owners who requested their CP's. Copies were given to Social Department and Capital and Housing Department as well.

NEXT MEETING DATE: MAY 30th, 2023

MEETING ADJOURNED: @ 4:12 pm