

Perth-Andover Village Council Committee Meeting Minutes

ONLINE MEEETING Monday, September 27th, 2021

Present: Mayor Bell, Deputy Mayor McPhail, Councillors – Sheila Cummings, Jason Green, Cindy McLaughlin, Sheldon Shaw, and Dan Dionne, CAO

1. The meeting was called to order and no conflicts of interest were declared.
2. The CAO provided additional information on public safety issues. Items discussed included current policing concerns, RCMP ramping up enforcement for the SCAN program, long term policing service models, RCMP exiting community policing, private security firms at municipal buildings and facilities, and increased camera usage.

A questionnaire has been sent to NB municipalities seeking feedback on the success of various enforcement efforts such as a neighborhood watch program, security cameras, educational information & workshops to property owners regarding ways to secure their properties, private security firms for municipal buildings and parks, private security firm patrols to support RCMP, Public Safety committees with a specific mandate, and other best practices. Staff will compile the results prior to the Council planning session.

3. The CAO provided a more detailed review of the RSC budget.
4. Updates were provided on the following projects - RCMP retaining wall, paving, storm drain west riverside drive, plow truck, sand/salt storage, scada improvements Sept 28 – Oct 11, local government reform, and green energy generation mapping. Council selected a steel roof for the band stand upgrade.
5. Council discussed in detail the development of a workplace safety policy for our staff and volunteers and ensure that no one is unduly harmed.

Councillor Green **MOVED** that a policy be developed based on the following principals - policy support a safe environment for Council members, staff, contractors, volunteers, and our fire department members. Individuals that are unable to provide proof of vaccination, must wear a mask at all times and submit to regular testing. Contractors, RVCC staff, and new hires must be fully vaccinated. The policy will be implemented on October 4th and final policy approval at the October meeting. **SECONDED** by Councillor McLaughlin. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Mayor Bell encouraged Council members to attend the UMNb zone meeting on September 28th and the UMNb AGM on October 3rd.
7. Discussion was held regarding the upcoming strategic planning session.
8. Staff will make a best effort to participate in the FCM sustainable communities conference sessions.
9. Council discussed the importance of encouraging housing development in the community. Staff will send correspondence to trailer Park tenants regarding a review for improving the park and also issue a request for proposals for housing in this area.
10. Meeting adjourned.