



Joint Council Meeting Minutes September 24, 2024 10:00 a.m. Town of Lac du Bonnet Council Chambers

Attendance:

Mayor Ken Lodge
Deputy Mayor Keegan Sveinson
Councillor Brian Jack
Councillor Scott Veilleux
Councillor Greg Short
Reeve Loren Schinkel
Deputy Reeve Greg Mandzuk
Councillor Jeff Easton

Councillor Vi Enns-Preston Councillor Cindy Kellendonk Interim CAO Marion Grogan CAO Marley Seymour ACAO Jackie Duma CAO Sandra Broek DCAO Deanne Duke

Call to Order

Mayor Lodge called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

1. Lakers Property

Reeve Schinkel brought up discussion about the RM and Town entering into a joint recreation agreement for Lakers Ski Club. The Town will draft a copy of the agreement and will send it to the RM for review. There was talk about placement of the trailers, the RM will be putting together a site map with some different layout ideas. The RM has been approached about a dock for purchase that could be utilized at the Lakers property. Discussion was had about placement, cost and future expansion of the dock.

2. Municipal Property outside Jurisdiction

Interim CAO Grogan brought up the issue of joint Municipal recreational properties being taxed at 60% and there should be an option to either reduce that percentage to 15% or 20% or exempt them

from taxation all together. Interim CAO Grogan will write up a resolution to send to AMM for it to be considered at the Fall convention.

3. Fire Department 75th Anniversary Celebration

The Fire Departments 75th Anniversary is in December 2024. The Fire Department would like to host the celebration at the Community Centre with a sit down catered meal that would take place in the beginning of 2025. There were talks about selling tickets to the public to attend to raise some funds for the function and also forming a committee to plan the celebration. Both councils would like the Fire Department committee to present a plan for the Anniversary. RM to reach out to the Fire Chief to advise of the expectation.

4. Disposal of 2006 Fire Department F150 Crew Cab

Both Councils discussed the need for the truck but the RM Council decided the Town could have the truck as the Town only currently has one operating truck.

5. NRG/ROC Technology

Councillor Kellendonk explained the technology. RM passed a resolution to get the data to determine the cost savings.

6. Status of Water Treatment Plan Assessment

Interim CAO Grogan advised that we should be receiving the results from Stantec on the water treatment plant assessment this week. The Town and RM are to develop an MOU for the Town to provide water to the RM.

7. Lake Life Request

Interim CAO Grogan explained the request that the Town received from Lake Life in regards to offering a reduced utility rate for the watering of their grounds. This is not something the Town can do because the PUB determines the water rates and this is an RM utility.

8. Park Ave Property

Discussion was had on ideas for the property and the possibility of sale.

9. Doctor Retention

Dr. Papetti and Dr. Bruneau attended to discuss the educational process for someone to become a doctor and how to entice doctors to come to our community.

10. Gord Emberly Plaque

Deputy CAO Duke gave an update that the plaque has been shipped and will be here in one to two weeks. It is to be installed down by the beach near the airplane structure.

11. Development Plan Mapping Review

Deputy CAO Duke will talk to Kate Moir about getting a development plan map that has an overlay with the streets labelled.

12. Discussion on Annexation

Interim CAO Grogan brought up the discussion of annexation to define the Town and RM properties more clearly and boundaries that would make more sense.

13. Housing Assessment

There was discussion for the need for the RM and Town to do a joint needs assessment.

14. General Discussion

Councillor Kellendonk expressed her desire to hire an Economic Development Officer who could do things like the joint housing needs assessment.

15. Adjournment

Mayor Lodge adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.