

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MORDEN  
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING  
May 9, 2023 9:00 A.M.**

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City of Morden held in Council Chambers of the Civic Centre in Morden in the Province of Manitoba this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2023 at 9:00 A.M.

**Present:** Deputy Mayor Gord Maddock, Councillors Nancy Penner, Doug Frost, Sheldon Friesen, Florian Lassnig, Garry Hiebert, City Manager Nicole Reidle, Police Chief Brad Neduzak, Fire Chief Andy Thiessen, Deputy City Manager Santokh Randhawa, Director of Operations Time Reimer, Director of Community Service Chris Moffatt, Director of Parks & Urban Forestry Shawn Dias.

**Absent:** Mayor Brandon Burley

**1.0 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

None

**2.0 PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

2.1 Marilyn Skobovious presented to Council in opposition to the seasonal closure of a portion of 8<sup>th</sup> street citing that taxpayers and business owners were not involved in the decision making and that creating more park spaces has not been identified as a need in Morden. What is the business plan? The identified need is more parking in the downtown as well as better roadways and back alleys along with wastewater and that Council should celebrate the investment by businesses in the downtown. Handi-van has expressed concerns as they will lose their loading zone. Businesses are okay with the shutdown for Farmers Market, 3 main concerns are closing the street during the business day, lack of parking downtown and lack of stakeholder input.

2.2 Mark von Reisen presented to Council in support of the seasonal closure of a portion of 8<sup>th</sup> street citing that this plan is exciting and believes the move will bring vitality and culture to the downtown. Being that he and his wife are both entrepreneurs working out of Pure Anada says these businesses have been hit hard during the pandemic and sees that more foot traffic will possibly help with business in the downtown. Also works with Rendezvous in beer making and has a young family, lives close to downtown and feels this space will allow for a more family friendly area. The residual effect of this will result in more people coming into the community.

2.3 Matthew Vetten presented to Council in support of the seasonal closure of a portion of 8<sup>th</sup> street citing that he has only lived in the community for a couple months and the community has been very supportive. Sees the potential that this shutdown could create an extended patio for Rendezvous. Runs Oba Yo out of Rendezvous and is very excited to see this

space and is confident it will greatly increase foot traffic. Will bring culture and vitality to the downtown.

2.4 Executive Director Andrew Minor Executive Director of the Manitoba Police Commission presented to Council about Police Boards and their role in governing Police Services.

### **3.0 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

*None*

### **4.0 FIRE & POLICE**

#### 4.1 Fire Chief Report

- Received as information

#### 4.2 Police Chief Report

- Received as information
- Discussion on the installation of 4 way stops on Stephen St.

##### 4.2.1 By-law Enforcement Officer Report

- Received as information

### **5.0 OPERATIONS**

#### 5.1 Deputy City Manager-Operations Report

- Received as information
- Capital Lot Levy report received as information – Council deferred discussion to Special Meeting on May 12, 2023.

#### 5.2 Director of Operations Report

- Received as information

### **6.0 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

#### 6.1 Director of Community Services Report

- Received as information

### **7.0 PARKS & URBAN FORESTRY**

#### 7.1 Director of Parks & Urban Forestry Report

- Received as information

### **8.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

#### 8.1 Economic Development Officer report

- Based on recommendations from EDO Jason Dyck Council approves that an extension of 1 year be approved regarding the Bridgeroad Construction project which was awarded by RFP to construct a 30 – 40 unit assisted living facility on Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 25527.

### **9.0 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

- 9.1 Director of Finance & Administration Report
  - General Operating/Utility Financial Reports received to end of April
  - Report received as information
- 9.2 Director of IT Report
  - N/A
- 9.3 City Manager Report
  - N/A
- 9.4 Mayor Report
  - N/A

## **10.0 COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE**

- 10.1 Speed Reduction Hanover Drive
  - Council recommends that this be referred to the Chief of Police and Deputy City Manager of Operations and that a review of all speed limits within the City be reviewed.
- 10.2 Team Reimer Sponsorship Request
  - Recommended to Council that a \$750.00 sponsorship be approved
- 10.3 Tawg Donation Request
  - Council denied this request however approves in kind support such as staff assistance, use of equipment such as tables, chairs, sound equipment etc.
- 10.4 Sub-Division 4433-23-8297
  - Recommend that this be moved to the Council agenda for May 29, 2023
- 10.5 Morden Activity Centre Golf Tournament Sponsorship
  - Recommend to Council that a \$500.00 Silver Sponsorship be approved

## **11.0 OTHER BUSINESS**

- 11.1 RM of Stanley Conditional Use – Received as information
- 11.2 Morden Chiropractic Centre Snow Clearing – Council recommended that a legal opinion be requested.
- 11.3 Correspondence re:8<sup>th</sup> St. Closure – received
- 11.4 Correspondence re:8<sup>th</sup> St. Closure – received
- 11.5 Correspondence re:8<sup>th</sup> St. Closure – received

## **12.0 EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS**

- 12.1 South Central Regional Library – Received as information
- 12.2 SWAMP
- 12.3 MSTW Planning District – Received as information
- 12.4 Central Manitoba Tourism
- 12.5 Menzies Medical Centre
- 12.6 Community Futures Heartland
- 12.7 Pembina Valley Child Care Centre
- 12.8 Tabor Home
- 12.9 Pembina Valley Local Immigration Partnership
- 12.10 Explore Morden-Winkler – Received as information
- 12.11 Morden Stanley Fire Service
- 12.12 Morden Veterinary District

- 12.13 Pembina Valley Water Cooperative
- 12.14 Pembina Valley Watershed District
- 12.15 Western School Division
- 12.16 Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation – Received as information

**13.0 IN CAMERA**

13.1 Legal – Tabled

Council deferred the in camera portion of the meeting and did not move to in camera.

**14.0 ADJOURN**

**MOVED BY** Councillor Sheldon Friesen

Resolved that the Committee-of-the-Whole does now adjourn.

(Carried)