

THE TOWN OF CHURCHILL
Regular Council Meeting
Thursday, July 21, 2011 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

PRESENT :

Mayor Michael Spence
Deputy Mayor Verna Flett
Councillor Heather Botelho
Councillor Gerald Azure
Councillor Jennifer Massan
Albert Meijering, Chief Administrative Officer
Gail Hodkin, Chief Financial Officer
Rebecca Allen, Executive Assistant

ALSO PRESENT :

Constable Chris Morrisette, RCMP
Wally Hyska
Rick Bougie
John Hrominchuk Jr.
Germaine Courtney
Todd Courtney
Ricci O'Connor
Derry Martens
Louise Lawrie

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Spence called the meeting to order at 5:00pm

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Moved by H. Botelho and seconded by V. Flett
131/11 **RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be adopted as read

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1 R.C.M.P Monthly Report

Constable Chris Morrisette presented the Monthly R.C.M.P report to Council. He summarized the crime and traffic statistics for the month of June 2011. He indicated there was court on July 18th with 54 charges on the docket; 52 adult, and 2 youth. 50 were remanded, and there were 3 convictions. The next court dates are scheduled for August 8th & 9th, and October 17th & 18th. There are 2 auxiliary officers in the community; Max Legault and Kevin Fullless. Auxiliary Officers are voluntary and not paid. They do not carry any weapons. They increase the RCMP presence on the weekends. The training to become an auxiliary office is one week. There will be 2 more members when more ships come in late July to November.

4. READING OF MINUTES

Moved by G. Azure and seconded by J. Massan
132/11 **RESOLVED THAT** the following minutes:

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be taken as amendments, and approved, all statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

CARRIED

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There are no committee reports for the month of July 2011. Committee reports will resume in September.

6. OTHER REPORTS

6.1 Mayor's Report

Mayor Spence presented a verbal report. He stated that on June 30th there were heavy rains in the community which caused the roof of a local establishment to blow. The Churchill Volunteer Fire Department, Public Works Department, Acting Chief Administrative Officer Tom Hill, local residents and the local RCMP Detachment were quick to respond to the scene and help out. The Celebrate Canada was very well done this year. A big thank you goes out to all

the volunteers involved in making it a great success. Members from the European Parliament were in Churchill on July 20th. The first grain drag brought in 52 to 53 cars. NSSI will be arriving on Saturday. Highway 636 will be asphalted this year. On July 28th members from the Premiers Economic Advisory Council will be in Churchill to discuss economic issues facing the community.

6.2 CAO's Report

The CAO presented a verbal report. He stated that Town has been having issues with building permits. The Office of the Fire Commissioner is being extremely difficult, and therefore the town is looking at going back to a local inspector. The grand opening of the swimming pool has been delayed due to structural problems. The opening day will be announced.

There was discussion on the Summer Program. It would be a good idea to draft a survey/comment card for parents to fill out to let the town know their concerns and suggestions for future years.

There was further discussion on Youth Programming. There is no programming in place for the summer for youth ages 13 to 17. A survey needs to be developed to find out what types of programming the youth of our community would like to see.

ACTION: Administration to draft a survey/comment card for feedback on the 2011 Summer Program.

ACTION: Administration to draft a survey geared towards youth ages 13 to 17 to find out what type of Summer Programming they would like to see for the 2012 Summer.

7. Communications

	<u>From</u>	<u>Subject</u>	
7.1	Duke of Marlborough School	Thank you/Re: 2011 Graduation	Info
7.2	Manitoba Liquor Control Commission	Hours of Operation under permits	Info
7.3	Manitoba Hydro	Lower Churchill River/Re: Spring Break Up	Info
7.4	Community Futures	July 2011 Conference Schedule	Info
7.5	Minister of Local Government	Video Lottery Terminal Revenue Distribution	Info
7.6	Frontier School Division	Board Meeting Highlights	Info
7.7	Manitoba Hydro	Communications	
7.8	Manitoba Conservation	Notice of Operating Plan	Info
		Missi Falls	
		Thank You Letter	Info
7.9	Community Features	North Central News	Info
7.10	Minister of Education	Quarterly Newsletter	
		Community Use of Schools/	Info
7.11	Association of Manitoba Municipalities	School Use of Community Facilities	Info
7.12	Minister of Local Government	Municipal Insurance Program	Info
7.13	Churchill Northern Studies Centre	Federal Gad Tax Funding	Info
7.14	Hudson Bay Route Association	Grand Opening Invitation	Info
		Update Letter	Info
7.15	Manitoba Hydro	2011/2012 Churchill River Diversion	Info
7.16	Theo Hart	Letter Requesting Support	Info/Action
7.17	Churchill RHA	Thank You	Info
7.18	Churchill Chamber of Commerce	Utility & Accounts Receivable	Info/Action
7.19	Donald Mackenzie	Re: Terry Fox	Info
7.20	Donald Mackenzie	Re: Peenemunde North	Info
7.21	Louise Lawrie	Re: Town of Churchill Community Mitigation Trust Fund	Info
7.22	CCDC	Re: Access to Filing Cabinet	Info
7.23	Churchill Joint Group Committee	Re: Camp Nannuq/Caribou Hall	Info/Action

8. FINANCIAL

8.1 Approval of Accounts for June 2011

Moved by V. Flett and seconded by H. Botelho

133/11 WHEREAS the accounts of The Town of Churchill for the month of June ending June 30, 2011 have been examined and found to be in order;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT general cheques in the amount of \$290,960.12 for June 2011 last cheque #029364 and payroll debits in the amount of \$163,459.37 be approved.

CARRIED

8.2 Financial Statements for January, February, March, April, May, & June 2011

Moved by H. Botelho and seconded by V. Flett

134/11 WHEREAS the financial statements of The Town of Churchill for the months of January, February, March, April, May, & June 2011 have been examined and found to be in order;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the financial statements for the months of January, February, March, April, May, & June 2011 be approved.

8.3 Designate Tax Sale Year

Moved by V. Flett and seconded by H. Botelho

135/11 WHEREAS subsection 365(2) of the Municipal Act provides that the Council may in any year designate the immediately preceding year or any earlier year as the year for which properties the taxes in respect of which are in arrears for the year must be offered for sale by auction to recover tax arrears and costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT 2010 shall be the designated year for tax sale purposes for The Town of Churchill.

9. BY-LAWS

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Churchill Volunteer Fire Department – Request for Facility Rental Waiver

A letter was received from the Churchill Volunteer Fire Department requesting a waiver of the rental fees for the arena to host a social for the local burn fund on July 9, 2011.

Moved by J. Massan and seconded by G. Azure

136/11 WHEREAS subsection 261(1) of the Municipal Act states:

261(1)(a) A Council may make a grant to or otherwise assist a Charitable or non-profit organization, association, or corporation;

AND WHEREAS a letter has been received from the Churchill Volunteer Fire Department requesting the use of The Town Centre Arena for a social to raise funds for the local burn fund account and new equipment for the department;

AND WHEREAS the rental fee for the arena is \$400.00 per day with a liquor permit;

AND WHEREAS the council deems it in the best interest of the municipality to assist in this community initiative by providing a grant to cover the costs of the arena rental;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT council authorizes a grant to the Churchill Volunteer Fire Department for their Churchill Fire Department "burn fund" social on July 9, 2011 in the amount of \$400.00.

CARRIED

11.2 Benefit Social for Marie Sinclair – Request for Facility Rental Waiver

A letter was received from the Benefit Social for Marie Sinclair Committee requesting a waiver of the rental fees for the gymnasium to host a social on July 30, 2011.

Moved by J. Massan and seconded by H. Botelho

137/11 WHEREAS subsection 261(1) of the Municipal Act states:

261(1)(a) A Council may make a grant to or otherwise assist a Charitable or non-profit organization, association, or corporation;

AND WHEREAS a letter has been received from the Benefit Social for Marie Sinclair Committee requesting the use of The Town Centre Gymnasium for a social to raise funds to assist in Marie's fight for her recovery;

AND WHEREAS the rental fee for the Gymnasium is \$400.00 per day with a liquor permit;

AND WHEREAS the council deems it in the best interest of the municipality to assist in this community initiative by providing a grant to cover the costs of the Gymnasium rental;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT council authorizes a grant to the Benefits Social for Marie Sinclair Committee for their social on July 30, 2011 in the amount of \$400.00.

CARRIED

11.3 Appointment of Library Board Members

Moved by J. Massan and seconded by G. Azure

138/11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of The Town of Churchill appoint the following as members to the Churchill Public/School Library Board:

1. John Hrominchuk Jr.
2. Renee Collins

CARRIED

12. IN CAMERA

12.1 Council convened into an in camera session at 5:50 p.m.

Moved by V. Flett and seconded by H. Botelho

139/11 RESOLVED THAT the Council for The Town of Churchill convene into an In Camera session.

CARRIED

Council adjourned the in camera session at 6:30 p.m.

Moved by V. Flett and seconded by G. Azure

140/11 RESOLVED THAT the In-Camera session of the Council for The Town of Churchill has been adjourned. Council agrees that all information discussed in the In-Camera session shall remain confidential until released for public knowledge by Council as a whole.

CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by H. Botelho and seconded by V. Flett

141/11 WHEREAS the business of this meeting has now been completed;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council do now adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 6:31 pm.

Michael Spence
Mayor

Albert Meijering
Chief Administrative Officer

Recapitulation

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