

THE COMMUNITY OF THREE RIVERS
MINUTES
March 20, 2024, 6:30PM

Present

Mayor	-	Peter Saunders
Councillors	-	Dennis Murphy
	-	Luke Lymburner
Staff	-	Sandra Kelly, Janice Conley
Absent	-	Angela Silverthorn
	-	Karen Hall-Middleton

Call to Order Mayor Saunders called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and asked for any additions to the agenda.

Agenda It was moved by Councillor Lymburner that the agenda be approved as presented. Seconded by Councillor Murphy. MOTION CARRIED 38-2024

Conflict of Interest There was no conflict of interest declared.

Approval of Minutes March 6, 2024

Councillor Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes of March 20, 2024, with one correction. Seconded by Councillor Lymburner. MOTION CARRIED 39-2024

Business Arising from The Minutes

Residential/ Industrial Development

Industrial Development Councillor Lymburner requested Council consider industrial and commercial development when discussing potential incentives for development in The Community of Three Rivers.

Residential Development Update Council requested Englobe be contacted to do an evaluation on the sewer system with respect to capacity of the lines and the Holmes Brook lift station located on Main Street. They also asked that Plan 360 be contacted for information on zoning and multiple unit dwellings.

Contract with Circular Materials and The Community of Three Rivers

Background: As a result of a provincially mandated implementation of an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program for paper, plastics and packaging, The Community of Three Rivers is required to opt-in or opt-out of an agreement with Circular Materials Atlantic, a provincial extended producer responsibility agency in New Brunswick, for Curbside Collection Services Provided by a Public Contractor (The Community of Three Rivers). After discussion, recommendations of Eco360 and to limit disruption of services to residents, The Community of Three Rivers has decided to Opt-in and sign an agreement with Circular Materials Atlantic.

Motion to Enter into Agreement with Circular Materials

Councillor Lymburner made a motion that The Community of Three Rivers enter into an agreement with Circular Materials Atlantic and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and affix the Corporate Seal to the Statement of Work and Master Services Agreement, (including affixed schedules) for Curbside Collection Services and take on the responsibility of Public Contractor in providing these services as outlined in the agreement. Seconded by Councillor Murphy.

MOTION CARRIED
40-2024

New Business

Resolution of Intent for The Community of Three Rivers to Opt-In to a Regional Solid Waste Collection Program with ECO 360

WHEREAS the Provincial Solid Waste Collection contracts are set to be terminated in November 2024,

WHEREAS the Southeast Regional Service Commission (SERSC) is considering implementation of a Regional Solid Waste Collection Program,

WHEREAS The Community of Three Rivers will need to find an alternative solution for Solid Waste Collection until a regional model is established,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of The Community of Three Rivers approach the SERSC for assistance from ECO 360 in contracting a solid waste collection provider for The Community of Three Rivers from November 2024 until a Regional Solid Waste Collection Program is established,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Community of Three Rivers provide the SERSC with their intent to opt-in to a Regional Solid Waste Collection Program to be managed by ECO360 starting February 1st, 2025, or earlier.

MOVED BY: Councillor Murphy
SECONDED BY: Councillor Lymburner

MOTION CARRIED
41-2024

UMNB – Draft Regulation Local Governance Commission Act Council received a draft copy of the regulation regarding the Local Governance Commission Act for review. Deadline for comments and concerns is March 29, 2024. UMNB will be submitting comments to the regulation committee.

UMNB - SNB Property Tax Insert Council was presented with a copy of a letter sent to the provincial government by UMNB addressing the insert that was included in the property tax bills. The insert was meant to educate the public about property taxes however UMNB felt it was misleading in that it appeared to shift the blame of rising costs to municipalities.

Correspondence

Department Reports

Public Works & Transportation, Sewer

Councillor Lymburner reported:

- the salt trailer for the trackless machine arrived,
- the works department will be testing a street sweeper with the intent of being able to complete this task in house rather than subcontracting it out.

Public Safety Nothing to report at this time.

Recreation

Councillor Murphy reported:

- the ice plant at the arena required maintenance/repair work.
- planning has begun for pool opening for 2024.
 - staff is being contacted for availability.
- plans are in place for a ball hockey program this spring at the arena.
- one member from the works department is being cross trained to function as backup staff at the arena.

Finance Nothing to report at this time.

Environmental Health Nothing to report at this time.

Community Development Nothing to report at this time.

Residential & Industrial Development Discussed earlier in the meeting.

EMO Nothing to report at this time.

Library Nothing to report at this time.

Regional Service Commission Nothing to report at this time.

General Government

WCAF Request for Support Letter The Westmorland County Fair requested a letter expressing Council’s support in their application for funding from the Regional Development Corporation for improvements to their livestock barn. Council concurred that a letter of support be drafted as requested.

Ward 1 Nothing to report.
Ward 3 Nothing to report.

Passing of Accounts

Community of Three Rivers General Operating Fund

Councillor Murphy made a motion to pay the bills from The Community of Three Rivers General Operating Fund up to March 20, 2024, in the amount of \$36,093.21. Seconded by Councillor Lymburner. **MOTION CARRIED**
42-2024

Community of Three Rivers General Sewer Operating Fund

Councillor Murphy made a motion to pay the bills from The Community of Three Rivers Sewer Operating Fund up to , 2024, in the amount of \$2837.14. Seconded by Councillor Lymburner. **MOTION CARRIED**
43-2024

Adjournment Councillor Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Saunders

Clerk Janice Conley