



Town of Fort Smith
Corporate Services Committee
Tuesday, February 6, 2018, at 7:00 pm

Chairperson: D/M Smith
Members: Mayor Napier-Buckley, Cr. Kikoak, Cr. Bell, Cr. McArthur, Cr. Dumont, Cr. Patel, Cr. Tuckey
Regrets: Cr. Holtorf
Staff Present: Keith Morrison, SAO; Jim Hood, Director of Corporate Services; Lisa-marie Pierrot, Executive Secretary
Guests: Patti Haaima

1. Call to Order

D/M Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Declaration of Financial Interest

Cr. McArthur declared a financial interest with respect to Accounts Paid Part II. Cr. Kikoak declared a financial interest with respect to Accounts Paid Part II.

3. Review

a. Agenda –The agenda was reviewed.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Patel

Seconded by: Cr. McArthur

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Minutes – The minutes of January 9, 2018, were reviewed and have been adopted at the Council meeting of January 23, 2018. Cr. Kikoak indicated that in the discussion regarding the Strategic Plan, she would like changes made on her comments regarding the user fees for Pete’s Gym. She indicated that she advised against dropping the fees for youth in Pete’s gym she thought they should pay the same rate as adults as they are competing for the lack of equipment that is there. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that there have been a few adjustments in the meeting minutes and changes can be made but will only be adjusted to what is recorded in the meeting recordings.

c. Vision, Values and Goals – The Vision, Values and Goals were reviewed.

- d. Strategic Plan – The Strategic Plan was reviewed. Administration advised that the minutes will be submitted to the consultant to update the accomplishments of the Town.

4. Governance

a. Council Priorities

Mayor Napier-Buckley would like to add road to Garden River to the list of Council priorities if Council agrees for item vii to be added. Cr. McArthur asked for an update on the collection of property taxes. The Director of Corporate Services advised the legal representative has been provided with the list of property tax arrears but requires more information that is currently being sent. He advised that the legal representative indicated that it can take up to two years for the process to be completed. Cr. McArthur asked for feedback on the letter that was sent to Aurora College. Mayor Napier-Buckley indicated that the final draft is currently in process but requires some final items and will be submitted shortly.

- i. Property Tax Issues
- ii. Commissioner's Land within Municipal Boundaries
- iii. Fire Abatement
- iv. GNWT Job Reductions
- v. Aurora College Program Review
- vi. Boundary Expansion

5. Finance

- a. Accounts Paid List Part I– The Accounts Paid List was reviewed. Cr. Kikoak asked what was cheque number 33465 to CAB Construction LTD for. Administration advised that a genie lift was required for the installation of Christmas lights.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. McArthur

Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That the Accounts Paid Part I for the period ending January 31, 2018, totaling \$316,473.48 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b. Accounts Paid List Part II – The Accounts Paid List Part II was reviewed.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Bell

Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That the Accounts Paid Part II for the period ending January 31, 2018, totaling \$630.63 be approved.

IN FAVOUR – MAYOR NAPIER-BUCKLEY, CR. BELL, CR. DUMONT, CR. PATEL, CR. TUCKEY

ABSTAINED – CR. KIKOAK, CR. MCARTHUR

6. Economic Development

a. Tourism and Trade Advisory Board

- a. TTAB Minutes January 18, 2018 – The TTAB Minutes were reviewed. Cr. Dumont indicated that there was information on AWG, housing and merchandise for AWG provided at the TTAB meeting. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that Northwestern Air Lease indicated that they are looking at adding an Aviation Program to Aurora College. She indicated that NWAL is not looking for a letter of support at this time but may in the future. Administration noted that he would like to update on AWG. He noted that TTAB and EDO are engaged with AWG and that he doesn't have the complete budget as there is some federal funding outstanding. He advised that there is funding being received that was not expected. He noted that the Town is busy getting facilities prepared to accommodate nine hundred and fifty athletes and coaches and four hundred friends and families. He advised that there is still two hundred people searching for accommodations. He advised that First Air will be reducing flight costs for AWG which will require more transportation from the airport. He indicated that the EDO is working on soliciting accommodations for people. He advised that ITI is looking at opening the camp grounds. He advised that the Aurora College HEO program training area will be open for RVs but requires a volunteer to take responsibility for that area. He noted that the Town can provide water for RV's. He indicated that the development permit for an additional cab company was not able to get permission from the home owners so that permit is no longer in front of Council. He noted that the EDO is working with local organizations to provide extra transportation during AWG. He indicated that the AWG are is currently planning venues for the entertainers. He advised that planning for Wood Buffalo Frolics are also underway and things are getting busy. He noted that the meeting with AWG on February 6, 2018 was a success. Cr. Kikoak asked if accommodation advertisements are being posted on the Fort Smith buy, sell, trade, Facebook page. Administration confirmed. D/M Smith indicated that people are offering out their homes for rent during that time on Facebook pages. He indicated that a request has yet to be made to ITI to open Queen Elizabeth Park from the host society. D/M Smith suggested that Fort Smith Landing has a 12-passenger van that they maybe willing to lend for extra transportation during AWG. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that the Federal government has announced funding to a Cultural Program from the Minister of Canadian Heritage for AWG. D/M Smith indicated that's the funding for the entertainers to be paid for performing during AWG.

7. Other Business

- a. Correspondence – The January, 2018 correspondence was reviewed.
- b. Licensing Report – The January, 2018 licensing report was reviewed.
- c. Briefing Note Lottery License Bylaw – The briefing note was reviewed. Administration advised that there was an amendment to the Bylaw to provide more clarity on eligibility of applicants and the screening process. He advised that the SAO would screen applicants and forward to Council for selection. He noted that only one chase the ace license will be granted for one period of time. He noted that the deadline for application submission will be seven days prior to the selection meeting. He indicated that unsuccessful applicants will be refunded their license fee and would have to resubmit for the next chase the ace. He advised that eligibility will be based on the benefit to the community, membership benefit and charitable organizations. He indicated that the applications will then be forwarded to Council where selections will be based on section five of the bylaw. He advised that the GNWT has regulations on lotteries but is delegated to municipalities. He indicated that the Bylaw will be reviewed by the GNWT and could be refused as they currently don't have chase the ace lottery regulations in place. Administration noted that once approved the Town will have to amend the 2018 consolidated rates and fees to include the chase the ace bylaw. He noted that applicates also have to submit a weekly statement of accounts. He proposed that if the bylaw is approved a special meeting be scheduled for first and second readings after Community and Municipal service meetings on February 12, 2018 and third reading to be completed at the regular meeting of Council on February 20, 2018. He indicated that approval of Bylaw 988 would allow AWG to run chase the ace right away and could potentially attract more visitors. Cr. McArthur asked if there are penalties for license holders that don't file a statement of accounts. Administration confirmed that there are penalties applied. Mayor Napier-Buckley asked for clarification on fees that will be paid to the Town. Administration clarified that the Town will receive 5% of the 50% profit that will be made by the license holder. Cr. Patel asked if would be fair to grant the license to AWG once the bylaw is approved. Administration advised that there will most likely be only one application received when the Bylaw is approved. He indicated that if anyone was aware in reading the minutes they could submit an application. Cr. Tuckey indicated that someone can still apply but the push for approval would not have happened if it wasn't for AWG. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that AWG is close and could potentially lose profits if the license is not granted to them. She indicated that it only makes sense to grant the first application to AWG. D/M Smith advised that eligible groups are flexible and open to other culture and community groups. Administration advised that to get past the screening process which is up to the SAO and would have to show benefits to the community that includes elders and youth. D/M Smith commended Katie on license statistics.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Patel

Seconded by: Cr. Dumont

That Bylaw 988 Chase The Ace Lottery License Bylaw be forwarded to the Council Meeting of February 20, 2018 for first and second reading.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Excusing of Councillors

Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that Cr. Holtorf did advise of his absence.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Tuckey

Seconded by: Cr. Bell

That Cr. Holtorf be excused from the Corporate Services Standing Committee meeting of February 6, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Corporate Services Standing Committee will be March 6, 2018.

10. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Kikoak

Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:42 pm.



Town of Fort Smith
Community Services Committee
Tuesday, February 13, 2018, at 7:00 pm

Chairperson: Cr. Tuckey
Members Present: Mayor Napier-Buckley, Cr. Dumont, Cr. Patel, Cr. Kikoak, D/M Smith, Cr. Holtorf, Cr. McArthur
Regrets : Cr. Bell
Staff Present: Keith Morrison, Senior Administrative Officer; Lisa-marie Pierrot, Executive Secretary; Cynthia White, Director of Community Services
Guests: Patti Haaima

1. Call to Order

Cr. Tuckey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Review

a. Agenda – The agenda was reviewed.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Patel

Seconded by: Cr. Holtorf

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Minutes – The minutes of January 16, 2018, were reviewed and have been adopted at the Council meeting of January 23, 2018.

c. Vision, Values and Goals – The Vision, Values and Goals were reviewed.

d. Community Services Master Plan – The Master Plan was reviewed.

3. Recreation

a. Recreation Services

i. Recreation Statistics – The January, 2018 recreation statistics report was reviewed. Director of Community Services advised that the increase in youth drop in times could be related to AWG trials and the amount of participants that were in town. She noted that there was a good turnout for the dene trials for AWG. She indicated that the squash court usage is normal with the fluctuation. She advised that the afterschool care program has increased as it was closed over the holidays. She also noted that PWK high school is now using the pool more with their physical education program.

Cr. Dumont left the meeting.

- ii. Pool Statistics – The January, 2018 pool statistics report was reviewed. Director of Community Services advised that there is a growth in public swim usage over the weekends and is continuing to be busy. She advised that there were no pool rentals in January 2018. She advised that the Making Waves event was successful and had 16 participants. She noted that there were almost 40 people registered most from Fort Liard unfortunately they had to cancel as they were unable to secure a chaperone for the students. She noted that the afterschool usage is not as busy in the pool, so she is working with pool staff to create a pool program to fill that time space. She advised that the pool has started a new program on Friday afterschool called the Inner Tube Water Polo which will continue.

- iii. Arena Statistics – The January, 2018 arena statistics report was reviewed. Director of Community Services advised that the Arena statistics require some modifications and seem to be off. She advised that the Arena continues to be very busy. She advised that the Woman’s Hockey Tournament was a success and there were many people that showed up for that event which also includes the usage of the licensed area. Cr. Kikoak asked why the statistics need to be modified and why are the numbers off. Director of Community Services advised that she is unsure of what numbers are included in the statistics report. She advised that she will have to do some research and provide more information for the next Community Services meeting. Administration provided an update on AWG. He advised that the AWG budget is more promising. He indicated that fundraising is one hundred thousand over the target amount. He indicated that expenses are ten thousand overspent which leaves a total of ninety thousand. He advised that the host society is still waiting on confirmation of four hundred and twenty-five thousand in funding from the Federal Government. He noted that there is two hundred and forty-five thousand in contingency fund that is available. He advised that if the Federal funding is received that will leave a three hundred and thirty-five thousand dollar surplus that can be divided with the Town of Hay River. He indicated that the food, transportation and wash car proposal projects are all in place. He advised that the Town is focusing on facility and town preparations for the AWG. He indicated that staffing levels are being reviewed and the Director of Community Services is working with the host society to ensure that staffing level requirements are met for the AWG. He advised that there will be no programming in facilities for the week of AWG and notices will be sent out to residents. He indicated that the pool will be open to participants. He indicated that there will be extended hours of

operations for the library and the afterschool program will be operating out of the library for that week.

Cr. Dumont entered the meeting

Cr. Kikoak asked for an update on banners that are to be installed on the power poles. Administration advised that banners are with the trucking company and is expecting them to arrive any day. He indicated that the power corporation will be installing them once they arrive and will take down the Christmas decorations. He advised that the EDO was able to secure twenty thousand in funding for merchandise and signage for AWG. He indicated that the EDO is also working on engaging the business sector with AWG and TTAB including accommodations, transportation, and RV inquiries. He indicated that the EDO is working on a list of events leading up to AWG to create a month of excitement before AWG. Cr. Dumont asked if there are maps available for venues during AWG. Administration advised that the Town is not promoting AWG activity venue's but the Town does have town maps that are available. DM Smith advised that the host society has an obligation to provide maps for participant guides. He advised that the host society was able to secure additional Can Nor funding for Dene games and building new bleachers. He indicated that they are still waiting on confirmation from Sport Canada funding. He indicated that items were purchased with the contingency fund as there were unforeseen expenditures that can't be allocated anywhere else. Cr. Dumont advised that he oversees transportation for AWG and commended D/M Smith and administration for their information. He will request information from the AWG office regarding activity venue maps for participants.

b. Recreation Advisory Board

4. Library

a. Library Services

- i. Library Statistics – The January, 2018, library statistics report was reviewed. Director of Community Services advised that the Library continues to be very active. She noted that the statistics are higher because of the closure during the Christmas holidays. She indicated that the story program continues to be a success, but numbers are less than in the Fall.

- b. Advisory Board on Culture
 - i. ABC Appointment – Jeannie Marie-Jewell
RECOMMENDATION
Moved by: Cr. Patel
Seconded by: Cr. McArthur
That Jeannie Marie-Jewell be appointed to the Advisory Board on Culture for a term ending December 31, 2019.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Other Business

- a. Briefing Note Fourth Quarter Variance Report – The Fourth Quarter Variance Report was reviewed. Administration advised that this is the first time a fourth quarter variance report has been presented to Council. He advised that he would like Council to review prior to having the audit completed as the auditor will make changes to the financials. He advised that the revenue is good; development permitting is higher as there were more buildings projects completed in the summer of 2017. He indicated that after discussion with SDAB, concerns have been brought forward that Fort Smith currently does not have a building inspector; therefore, he is looking into options of hiring a building inspector that would be funded with development permit revenue. He advised that business licenses are higher which is a good indicator of the growth of the business environment in Fort Smith. He noted that lottery fees, bylaw fines, and lottery licensing have increased. He indicated that out of the lottery fees anything that is over twenty-four thousand is to be allocated to a Sport, Culture, and Recreation fund which is managed by the Town, Metis, and Salt River First Nation. He advised that this year there is thirty-one thousand that can be allocated to that fund and has had a surplus for the past few years unfortunately the board has not met in order to administer that fund, so he is looking into options of getting that fund administered. He indicated that day camp and afterschool camps are down which has been consistent with previous variance reports. He thinks there is a need to review those programs since the community daycare is not getting the traction it was expected to. He suggested to reassess the role of the Town on the provision of those programs. He indicated that the Recreation revenue is on track and the Arena revenue is higher than expected. He noted that with higher revenues at the Arena requires more staff thus increasing the staff expenses for the Arena. He indicated that ambulance recoveries are down. He suggested that maybe GNWT are doing procedural changes and sending less medivacs with the increase in fees. He indicated that there are some Recreation grants that haven't been received and that some haven't been received in years and have been removed from the 2018 budget. He indicated that accounts receivable interest revenue continues to increase due to people not paying their bills. He noted that tipping fees are down, he presumes that is tied to expanded Spring and Fall clean up initiatives. He indicated that reduction in tipping fees is offset by presumably a reduction

in expenses associated with moving items out of the community. He indicated that utility costs are on budget as Fort Smith had a warmer winter last year reducing the consumption of fuel. He advised that vehicle and equipment maintenance is over cost due to the operation, maintenance and repair of vehicles. He advised that much of the fleet is being replaced in 2018 and hoping that those costs are reduced. He indicated that facility repairs and maintenance is underspent due to reduced staff. He advised that legal costs are up due to contract with AWG and other legal requirements. He noted that the Union is scheduled for bargaining in June 2018. He advised that photocopier costs are down and phone costs are up. He indicated that IT solutions will be reviewed to address. He advised that street sanding costs are up as its more expensive to make the good sand that sticks and holds. He indicated that the ice plant operation are up again due to failures in the older ice equipment. He indicated that electricity is up but fuel costs are down that is currently being reviewed. He advised that salaries are higher in Facility Maintenance and that additional funds have been added to the budget for 2018. He indicated that ambulance wages are over budget, bylaw training is over spent, and the Library is over spent due to the transition from casual to part time employment. He indicated that the Recreation salaries are over spent and that the Director of Community Services is currently reviewing. He advised that the budget is in control, the fourth quarter variance is good and that there are line items where there is over spending and under spending that is out of the staff control. He advised that the auditors will be in Fort Smith over Easter weekend to complete the audit. D/M Smith commended administration. D/M Smith indicated that Recreation usage revenues are down from but usage is up indicated in the statistics in 2017. He requested more information on the statistics as revenues maybe hidden in contribution agreements. Administration identified the same discrepancy and noted that it could also be misallocation of revenues and expenses and is currently being reviewed.

Cr. Dumont requested to be excused for the remainder of meeting due to illness.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Holtorf

Seconded by: Cr. Patel

That the Fourth Quarter Variance Report be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Kikoak declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

- b. Briefing Note RCC Concession – The briefing note was reviewed. Administration advised that he gave AWG the opportunity to staff the concession stand at Recreation Centre and they declined. He indicated that a proposal from Anna’s Home Cooking was received. He indicated that the proposal is for a three or four month trial occupying the Recreation Centre. He advised that the concession stand has been vacant for about 18 months. He noted that there was a previous advertisement for a RFP put out and received no responses. He advised that the facility was also offered to a local organization to occupy it as a training facility and received no response. He indicated that the fourth quarter variance shows a ten thousand dollar shortfall in revenue for that unoccupied space. He also noted that there is no healthy food choices in that area. He indicated that an unsolicited proposal was received on February 13, 2018 from Anna’s Home Cooking. He advised that the last vacancy was granted to an unsolicited proposal received from Ann Lepine for Gigi’s bakery. He advised that the menu is included and highlighted the healthy choices that supports healthy food initiatives. He indicated that Anna’s Home Cooking has a good record is also operating two other restaurants in good standing. He advised that Chris Westwell previously completed an analysis on that facility and concluded that it cost \$930 a month in operating expenses. He noted that historically tenants were charged \$800 a month in rent to occupy that space. He advised that in the past the deep fryer was the biggest cost that can be removed. He indicated that with the removal of the Deep fryer that will also eliminate the competition with other neighboring restaurants. He advised that the proposal includes two options for rental; first one is for four months at \$600 a month and the other is three months at \$800 a month which will commence on March 1, 2018. He indicated that it would be good to have that space occupied until the end of the current school year. Cr. McArthur advised that he supports the proposal with the removing of the deep fryer. Cr. Patel advised that she supports the proposal indicating the need to occupy that space for AWG. She indicated that she has two concerns; one is that is it fair for other business if this space was not publicly offered and second is that the rental rate is cheaper than the operating costs for that space. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that the previous tenants were charged the same rental rate showing that Council is not favouring a fellow Councillor. She advised that previous tenants indicated that they will not be using the deep fryer at all but they did and the current proposal includes special event usage of deep fryer. She suggested clarifying the deep fryer usage in the approval. She also indicated that there is no time to advertise for a RFP for others to be using that space. She noted that in previous wellness meetings the students and youth have identified the need for healthy options out of that facility. She supports the proposal because it supports youth request. She suggested providing for the rental rate of \$800 a month as that’s the rate previously charged. Administration advised that previous RFP’s have been offered and

no other business have applied on those opportunities. He noted that this is also an opportunity for the Town to have a full time operator occupying that space providing healthy foods. D/M Smith recommends having the deep fryer usage in a separate motion with negotiations of a food contract. He indicated that he is excited on making revenue on that space.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: D/M Smith

Seconded by: Mayor Napier-Buckley

That the town enter into negotiations with Anna's Home Cooking for a trail period of a three or four month term for no less than \$800 a month in rent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Kikoak entered the meeting.

6. Excusing of Councillors

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. McArthur

Seconded by: Mayor Napier-Buckley

That Cr. Bell be excused from Community Services Meeting on February 13, 2018.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Community Services Standing Committee will be held on March 6, 2018.

8. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Mayor Napier-Buckley

Seconded by: Cr. Patel

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Town of Fort Smith
Municipal Services Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 13, 2018, at 8:15 pm.

Chairperson: Mayor Napier-Buckley
Members Present: Mayor Napier-Buckley, Cr. Kikoak, Cr. Tuckey, Cr. Patel, D/M Smith, Cr. McArthur, Cr. Holtorf
Regrets: Cr. Bell, Cr. Dumont
Staff Present: Keith Morrison, Senior Administrative Officer; Lisa-marie Pierrot, Executive Secretary; Cynthia White, Director of Community Services

1. Call to Order

Mayor Napier-Buckley called the meeting to order at 8:08 pm.

2. Review

a. Agenda – The agenda was reviewed.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Patel

Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

b. Minutes – The minutes of January 16, 2018, were reviewed and were adopted at the Council meeting of January 23, 2018.

c. Vision, Values and Goals – The Vision, Values and Goals were reviewed.

d. 2018 Capital Plan – The Capital Plan was reviewed. He indicated that the climate change funding has been received to design the abatement behind the RCMP building, at axehandle hill and on to the sewage lagoon. He advised that a RPF will be advertised for the design services and will get funding for treatment work. He indicated that there are currently two RPF's being advertised. He noted that one is for the engineering services on the Water and Sewer infrastructure replacement and the other is for engineering services on the landfill expansion. He indicated that smaller jobs have been delegated to staff. He advised that the Director of Community Services will be managing the Recreation Centre master plan which is funded by the Small Community's Fund. He indicated that the master plan will start for Town hall once the RCC work is complete. He advised NorthwesTel will be putting in services for facilities for AWG. He indicated that he is requesting information from NWTel to have the services in place after AWG as there is a need to join all facilities on one network. He advised that cell phone services are also going to be multiplexed in order to increase cell phone access. He indicated that there is also an opportunity to get a Town wide Wi-Fi and is an opportunity for

the Town to provide internet services to residents. He indicated that AWG also received a free service from Bell that will be left for the community after AWG. Mayor Napier-Buckley asked for clarification on the system, she indicated that there are times services go out. Administration advised that as fibre lines gets interrupted that affects the landlines, cell phone and internet services but with the services disturbed, there would be a back up to ensure that the community doesn't lose those services. He indicated that satellite phones are often used in those situations as well but have proven to be unreliable as they lose battery power. The service that is being considered is a satellite internet system that would eliminate all those problems.

3. Water and Waste Water

Administration advised that the water treatment plant staff will be moving the wash cars to the snowboard park area for AWG. He indicated that the water treatment plant staff are busy updating facilities and preparing for AWG.

4. Public works

- a. Four Languages Stop Sign – Cr. Kikoak asked for an update on fixing the Chipewyan word for stop signs. Administration indicated that there is no update as its too cold to remove signs. He advised that replacing all the signs have stopped but he has also heard that the spelling is correct. He indicated that he is currently working on collecting more information on the word before changing 130 stop signs.

5. Sustainable Development

a. Sustainable Development Advisory Board

SDAB Minutes February 1, 2018 – The SDAB Minutes were reviewed. Administration advised that the minutes includes discussion on the Waste Management Plan. He indicated that ENR is developing a Waste Management Strategy and will be meeting in Hay River. He indicated that the Mayor wrote a letter to ENR to have a meeting in Fort Smith. He advised that ENR invited two SDAB members to attend the meeting in Hay River. He advised that the Mayor and Chris Westwell the chair of SDAB will be attending the meeting in Hay River. He noted that ENR hosted a meeting in Fort Smith as a result of the letter on February 8, 2018. He commended Council on attending. He advised that ENR was excited about the engagement of the community. He indicated that the strategy is a high-level undertaking and that the Town probably won't see any funding from ENR for the next three to four years. He advised that a composting garbage truck is required and would require funding to put program on the ground. He advised that affordable housing is also a discussion with SDAB and that they have been meeting with contractors to bring affordable housing in place. He indicated that there is good discussion and he anticipates a recommendation brought forward from SDAB shortly. He advised that the Arctic Energy Alliance is looking to get expression of interest and will provide up to ten thousand to complete an energy audit project. He advised that SDAB has made a recommendation to submit expression of interest form to the Arctic Energy Alliance.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: D/M Smith

Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That an expression of interest application be completed and submitted to the Arctic Energy Alliance for the Community Government Building Energy Audit Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Protective Services

a. Fire Department

- i. Statistics Report – The January, 2018, statistics report was reviewed.

Administration advised that it was a busier month with some small fires and there were no major damages.

b. Ambulance Department

- i. Statistics Report – The January, 2018, statistics report was reviewed.

Administration advised that ambulance department provided support for AWG trials and that AWG paid for ambulance to be part of the event.

c. Bylaw Department

- i. Bylaw Statistics Report – The January, 2018, statistics report was reviewed.

Administration indicated that it was a standard month. He advised that the animal shelter is experiencing an increase in kittens. He noted that the he received positive response for the Protective Services Supervisor competition and is confident in filling that position. Mayor Napier-Buckley indicated that she is not happy about five speeding offences, but she is happy they are fined. Cr. McArthur indicated that residents are aware of when the Bylaw officer is out of town and suggested that it would be good to have a backup.

7. Excusing of Councillors

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. Tuckey

Seconded by: Cr. Holtorf

That Cr. Bell and Cr. Dumont be excused from the Municipal Services Standing Committee Meeting on February 13, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next Municipal Services Standing Committee meeting will be held on March 6, 2018.

9. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by: Cr. McArthur

Seconded by: Cr. Tuckey

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 pm.