

Municipality of Central Manitoulin
Safety, Security and Health Committee
Teleconference Minutes
June 16th, 2020

Attending: Chairperson S. Shaffer, Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors R. Diebolt, D. Stephens, A. Johnston, D. Scott, A. Tribinevicius , Fire Chief J. Reid, and staff person S. Bowerman.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

MOTION: D. Stephens and A. Johnston

That the agenda be approved as circulated.....carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

MOTION: D. Stephens and R. Diebolt

That we accept the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Safety, Security and Health Committee held on May 19th, 2020, and that they be approved as circulated.....carried.

There were no delegations.

There was no discussion regarding Strategic Plan Priorities.

R. Frawley has been working on compiling information on setting up an COVID-19 Isolation Centre in Central Manitoulin and addressed the committee on her findings. The Isolation Centre would host persons with COVID-19, or a probable case, that cannot return to their home. Points of consideration are:

- Estimated costs of \$120,000.00 for four months (5 rooms, meals, cleaning, etc.)
- Before moving forward we would need Liability Insurance, and would we ask for financial help from other municipalities?
- Things to consider if we do not go ahead – we may be unable to secure 5 motel rooms later on in the season due to influx of tourists, and it may be a costly option if not utilized. The municipality could easily secure 1 motel room in the future if needed.
- The municipality is under no obligation to proceed with the proposed Isolation Centre.
- Mayor Stephens said that the Island Wide Leadership Committee has been discussing Isolation Centre's as well, and their discussions revolved around having an Island Wide Isolation Centre in Little Current. Although the group has not compiled any projected costs, they have approached the Manitoulin Hotel & Conference Centre for this purpose, and the Hotel Board of Directors will be considering the proposal at their next meeting.

The S.S.H. committee felt there was no rush to make a decision at this time and would like to see how the proposed centralized Isolation Centre discussions play out.

The committee reviewed correspondence from Lacloche Manitoulin Municipal Association and AMO, regarding O.P.P. Detachment Boards. The Provincial Government recently announced restructuring O.P.P. Detachment Boards, with new legislation rolling out, but not yet passed. Ideally the Province would like one board, however given the geographic size of our catchment area and unique community policing requirements, it is felt that there is a need for 2 boards.

MOTION: D. Stephens and S. Shaffer

That we recommend to Council to support in concept two Police Services Boards for Manitoulin O.P.P Detachment area, and further that one of those boards be specifically made of Manitoulin Island Municipal Representatives. Manitoulin-Espanola OPP Detachment covers a very large geographical area, Manitoulin Island is physically divided by a bridge. Further, that the traffic volume on Manitoulin Island primarily services our local area, and a large tourist population. Along with the geographic separation there are many differences in composition of our communities whereby a separate police board may be more effective in establishing local objectives and prioritiescarried.

The committee reviewed a press release from U.C.C.M.M. regarding the COVID-19 Leadership Committee and accepted this for information.

The committee accepted correspondence from Manitoulin-Sudbury District Social Services Board regarding COVID-19 Interim Funding and Operating Polices for EarlyON and Child Care for information only.

Fire Chief J. Reid gave a verbal report. It has been a quiet time for the Fire Dept. Because of COVID-19, Fire Department training has stopped. Now that we can have 10 persons in one place at the same time, training may resume in late summer /early fall. Conditions are very dry, and we do anticipate rain, so there are currently no fire bans in place.

MOTION: D. Stephens and A. Johnston

That we accept the Fire Chief's report for the month June.....carried.

MOTION:D. Stephens and R. Diebolt

That we recommend to Council to accept the year to date financial report for the Safety, Security & Health Committee, ending May 31st, 2020.....carried.

The meeting was adjourned by D. Stephens at 2:50 p.m.