

Rural Municipality of West River ICSC Meeting Minutes

Meeting No 2024-03 Time 7:00 PM

Session Regular - Public Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2024

Chair Helen Smith-MacPhail - Mayor Location Afton Community Centre

Adoption status To be approved Contact Person Laala Jahanshahloo - CAO

Attendance Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail, Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur, Councillor Aaron MacEachern,

Lori Ashley, Bev MacIsaac, Laala Jahanshahloo - CAO, Cody MacDonald - Community Services

Manager

Regret Councillor Lillian MacCannell

Guest Jim Matheson from Afton BOD - Marion Copleston, Jonathan Simons, and Tim Hamming from

Bonshaw BOD

Call to Order

Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Adoption & Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda by Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur and Councillor Aaron MacEachern:

- ICS.24.03.9 Bonshaw Community Center Flagpole
- ICS.24.03.10 Bonshaw Community Center Plaques and Display
- ICS.24.03.11 Bonshaw Community Center Cleaner
- ICS.24.03.12 Fire Alarm at Bonshaw Community Center

The agenda was approved as circulated, including any added items. It was moved by Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur, seconded by Councillor Aaron MacEachern, and unanimously carried.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Nil

Adoption of Previous Meeting's Minutes

The September 28, 2023, Event Committee Meeting minutes were approved as circulated. It was

moved by Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur, seconded by Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail and

unanimously carried.

The January 23, 2024, Interim Community Services Committee Meeting minutes were approved as

circulated. It was moved by Bev MacIsaac, seconded by Lori Ashley, and unanimously carried.

Recommendation Items

ICS.24.03.1 – Bonshaw Community Center Office Rental

Decision Type: Action

Status: Recommended

Background:

Motion#2024-10: The Central Queens Branch of the PEI Wildlife Federation, who previously

rented office space in Bonshaw Community Center, requested a lower rental fee until next

year to give them time to build the rent increase into their next year's budget. The group will

submit a grant request for in-kind donations to cover a portion of the rental expense for 2024-

25.

Description:

The Committee recommended that the Council accept this grant request for in-kind donation

and offset the rental fee to \$250, including HST.

ICS.24.03.2 – Grass Cutting

Decision Type: Action

Status: Recommended



Description:

The Committee reviewed outsourcing grass-cutting versus buying equipment and hiring staff

for five municipally owned properties. The committee recommends hiring third-party vendors

and directs the CAO to follow the Municipality's policy to obtain quotes for the required

service.

ICS.24.03.3 - Afton and Bonshaw Community Centers' BODs - Financial Transition

Decision Type: Action

Status: Recommended

Background:

ICS.24.02.6

Description:

Afton and Bonshaw Community Center BOD representatives discussed a vision for the funds

remaining in their accounts. They were advised that the RMWR, as a municipality, is qualified

and able to receive directed charitable donations. The Afton and Bonshaw Community Center

BODs could donate their funds to RMWR, which will be kept in separate bank accounts and

used per their instructions for charitable purposes.

ICS.24.03.4 - Bonshaw Community Center Opening Ceremony

Decision Type: Action

Status: Deferred

Description:

The official re-opening ceremony for the Bonshaw Community Center was discussed. The

committee deferred this matter to their next meeting. It was moved by Councillor Aaron

MacEachern, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur, and unanimously carried.

ICS.24.03.5 – Programming for Approved Funding

Decision Type: Action



Status: Referred

Background:

The Municipality has received funding through various resources, including the Central Region

Sport & Recreation Council, New Horizons for Seniors, and Senior's Community Meal Grant.

Description:

The Committee referred this item to the Community Services Manager to draft an operational

plan for funding expenditures according to the agreement requirement.

ICS.24.03.6 - Canada Day Celebration Preparation

Decision Type: Action

Status: Referred

Background:

Motion# 2023-83

Description:

The Committee referred this item to the Community Services Manager to start planning the

event and secure entertainment, including but not limited to a musical band, face painting,

clown or magician.

ICS.24.03.9 - Bonshaw Community Center Flagpole

Decision Type: Action

Status: Referred

Background:

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Description:

The Committee referred this item to the Maintenance Manager to coordinate with the vendor

to install the flagpole.



ICS.24.03.10 - Bonshaw Community Center Plaques and Display

Decision Type: Action

Status: Referred

Background:

The War Memorial plaque from Bonshaw Community Center was previously installed in the

lobby, the rooms had dedication plaques, and the Canada 150 plaques contained valuable

information about the community.

Description:

The Committee referred this item to the Community Services Manager to build stands and

install the plaques.

ICS.24.03.11 - Bonshaw Community Center Cleaner

Decision Type: Action

Status: Referred

Description:

The Committee referred this item to the Community Services Manager to contact the former

cleaner of Bonshaw Community Center and discuss the terms of resuming the work.

ICS.24.03.12 - Fire Alarm at Bonshaw Community Center

Decision Type: Action

Status: Referred

Background:

The Fire Marshal advised that if more than one room is to be used for the care of children, pull

station fire alarms must be installed in the Bonshaw Community Center building.



Description:

The Committee referred this item to the CAO and Community Services Manager to look for

funding to install the required fire safety equipment.

Information Items

ICS.24.03.7 - RMWR's Expenditure for Afton Community Centre

Decision Type: Information

Status: Received

Description

The CAO provided a summary of the maintenance and operational expenses paid by RMWR for

upkeeping and day-to-day operation of Afton Community Center.

ICS.24.02.8 -RMWR's Expenditure for Bonshaw Community Center

Decision Type: Information

Status: Received

Description:

The CAO provided a summary of the maintenance and equipping expenses paid by RMWR for

facilitating the opening of the Bonshaw Community Center.

Adjournment

Councillor Aaron MacEachern motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.

The next meeting will be on May 6, 2024.

Helen Smith-MacPhail

Laala Jahanshahloo

Mayor ___

_____ Chief Administrative Officer _____

