Highlights September 14 Council Meeting

Website - The County of St. Paul Website has a new look and staff continue to update the information and enhance the site. One of the newest developments is Planning and Development. If you are looking for a Building, Development, Electrical, Gas, Plumbing or Private Sewage permit they are now easily accessible from the homepage. Hover over "I want to *Apply*" then select "Permits" or select "Planning and Development" under the "Government Resource" tab. The forms can be submitted via email. If you are searching for any particular information but cannot find it on our site, please contact the County Office.

Bylaws – As result of the passing of the Cannabis Act which will become legal for consumption in Canada on October 17th, Council approved Bylaw 2018-15 to amend the Land Use Bylaw to address control and regulation of cannabis. Definitions of Cannabis, Cannabis Production Facility and Cannabis Retail Establishment were added to the bylaw. Definitions for commercial service centre, general retail establishment and greenhouse or plant nursery were also amended indicating that they do not include cannabis or cannabis retail establishment. The General Urban District was amended to include Cannabis Retail Establishment as a Discretionary Use and Industrial Commercial District was amended to include Cannabis Production Facility and Cannabis Retail Establishment as Discretionary Uses.

Council gave first reading to Bylaw 2018-17 which is an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw to include a notwithstanding clause under section 7.22. The notwithstanding clause permits a second dwelling on Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1024694 which is smaller than 9.9 acres, to accommodate the resident's aging parents.

Council also approved Bylaw 2018-16, which is a Bylaw to regulate the terms and conditions for the supply and use of water and sewer services provided by the County. The only change to the bylaw is to Schedule "D" reducing the monthly rate from \$2.10 to \$1.77 per cubic meter on the Elk Point Regional System. This rate is effective August 1st for the September billing. Bylaw 2018-16 can be viewed on the County website under Government Resources.

Ashmont/Mallaig Waterline – The engineers on the Ashmont/Mallaig Waterline expect to commission the waterline by the end of October for delivery of water to the Hamlet of Mallaig. The County anticipates several residents that are adjacent to the line will take the option to connect.

Welcome Signs for Municipal Parks – Council passed a motion to erect welcome signs at each of the municipal campgrounds. The signs will be designed to welcome everyone into the campgrounds creating an inclusive environment for all to enjoy.

Block Parties – This summer, the FCSS department hosted block parties in Ashmont, Cork Hall, Ferguson Flats, Heinsburg, Mallaig and St. Paul. They will be hosting more block parties in 2019, in subdivisions throughout the municipality. If you are interested

in having a block party for your subdivision and/or have an idea of what information the County can provide at your block party, contact the FCSS department at 780-645-1950.

Funding

- \$200 – Elk Point Grandparents Day Walk

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