



*Rural Municipality of Morell  
Councillor and Administrator Reports for  
October 16, 2023*

1. **Heather Sampson** -No action items or motions
  - 1.1. Manhole covers are still covered with asphalt.
  
2. **Marla Drake** -No action items, no motions
  - 2.1. November 6 MADC will have their AGM and the summary of the Survey results at the Morell High School. They will also cover the 5 main themes that have come up. They will also be announcing new board members.
  - 2.2. MADC has completed the signage project.
  - 2.3. Bruce Smith will be submitting an invoice for work completed on the Meike Trail. This is coming out of the finances promised to MADC for flowers for 2023, since they didn't use their entire budget.
  - 2.4. STEP tourism strategic group. Dr. Heather Gunn McQuillan will be chair of working committee. Marla Drake is a part of the working committee as behalf of the Community, an MADC member will be there in behalf of them.
  
3. **Vincenzo Trombetta** -No action items or motions
  
4. **Chris Dunn** - No action items or motions
  - 4.1. The Rink is opening November 4, 2023. There are already a lot of ice times booked. The first time in a lot of years. Diane Burland is the office manager again this year.
  
5. **Garry MacAdam** - No action items or motions
  - 5.1. Two roll overs, with one quite serious. They had to be cut out. Both roll overs happened between 4 and 5 am. Second one happened west of the MacAdam Rd. They oversteered.
  - 5.2. An accident near the Post Office.
  - 5.3. There was a Cardiac Arrest, the person was DOA.
  - 5.4. They did training.
  - 5.5. They have had a demo from RBAs, one from MSA and one from Dragger for backpacks. Their backpacks are getting past warranty dates. There is one that is giving them trouble. They are expensive but they are looking at getting one pack. One pack is between \$5000-8500.

6. **Danny Kelly** – No action items or motions
  - 6.1. He attended an FPEIM meeting. Discussion points included an insurance presentation that would reduce the cost for smaller Municipalities, amalgamation, and funding that previously was tapped into by Municipalities such as Three Rivers will be drying up this Spring.
  - 6.2. He is meeting this Thursday with Minister Lance and will provide an update about what comes out of that at the next Council meeting.
  
7. **CAO Report** –No action items or motions.
  - 7.1. Attended STEP meeting in September
  - 7.2. Municipal Affairs are having a meeting with myself tomorrow afternoon as an extension of the Shared Service Meeting
  - 7.3. Source deductions have been completed for this quarter, HST is scheduled to be completed this Thursday
  - 7.4. Audit and AMIR report has been extended temporarily to complete final items, should have items to MRSB this week and get a tentative date from them as to complete AMIR report
  - 7.5. Checked with Municipal Affairs and my recording device for audio notes does not have to be a part of public record. They consider it to be the same as taking written notes for drafting minutes.
  - 7.6. Sarah Gaudet has reached out to me to see if Mike would be willing to do the snow clearing at the Professional Building in the Fall, Mike had told her it would be up to council
  - 7.7. PID 182360 - looks to be owned by Catherine Trainor, with an owner's address in Charlottetown. This still needs to be confirmed, but it does look like the property has been cleaned up. What was the parameters given to them in the past as the minimum requirements they had to meet? Does this currently need to be pursued further?
  - 7.8. Spoke with Jeff Chapman about the claim for Red Head Rd. Currently the claim is at \$5,252.75 - invoices from DJ Dunn for that evening, Island Coastal for cleaning asphalt out of the main line, and NoraLynn Dunn's claim for issue in her house. The manhole covers are still not uncovered. That needs to be cleared up whether they are fixing that or whether we need to find someone to fix and then add that claim to our list. I need to clarify with them whether they are paying this out right or if it needs to go through their insurance.
  - 7.9. Lori Mayne will be visiting from the FPEIM in a couple of weeks. The final date has not yet been determined. She will looking at speaking with Dave, Danny, and Mike depending on their availability about some of the projects that have been completed in the past couple of years. She will get a brief tour and will take photos. Kevin McCarville has suggested that a few from the Municipal Affairs visit outside of Council meetings with the Council. He had suggested that it might make sense as there was a change over of several positions in the last year. There is no set time, will leave that to the Council to suggest what works best and I can check with Kevin to confirm.
  - 7.10. Rossiter Park generated \$1428.25, there are 3 outstanding bills totalling \$92.
    - 7.10.1. There were 10 bookings this summer that were covered by free bookings. Groups that were provided use of space at no charge:
      - Seniors groups
      - Schools

- Day Cares
- Lion's Club
- Legion
- River Run Festival
- Canada Day

7.11. Dave won the nomination for the Bruce H. Yeo Memorial Award with the FPEIM, he wasn't able to attend but they will be sending Bruce MacDougal, their president out to present the award to Dave.

7.12. Dave's 'thank you' for his services to Morell. There have been a couple that suggested Clam Diggers for the restaurant and a suggestion to either get him a gift card or have a plaque made for him. It was suggested that we could invite him and Curly to the Christmas dinner either way.

7.13. Rink Expenses to date from APM MacLean is \$511,627.26, Coles Associates \$65,240.98. We have received to date only one claim back from ICIP for \$26,100.61. We are just waiting on one document to start receiving funding back regarding rink renovations, see old business.

7.14. Ballfield expenses from Bellcor \$8,308.75, Eastern Fence \$74,618.90, we haven't received the other invoices for this summer though there were expenses through Mike and his students working on it through the summer, as well. Jennifer and I have gone through and found the invoices from 2015-2018 for the upgrades to the Municipal Building funded project. I have got a tentative agreement from Curtis that we will not be charged the project back (\$87,000) as the project should have been marked completed in 2018.

7.15. Gas Tax money has been moved from the Gas Tax account to the Operating Account to cover invoices for ballfield project

7.16. Financials:

Morell Operating Account: -35,439.20

Gas Tax: 814,961.67

Festival: 3,763.97

Rink: 5

Sewarage: 36,037.94