



MINUTES
Strategic Priorities Committee

April 16, 2024
9:00 am
Municipal Operations Centre

Council Present: Mayor Strathdee
Councillor Aylward
Councillor Craigmile
Councillor Lucas
Councillor Luna
Councillor Pridham

Council Regrets: Councillor Edney

Staff Present: **In-Person**
Brent Kittmer, Chief Administrative Officer
Morgan Dykstra, Deputy Clerk

Staff Present: **Conference Line**
Sarah Andrews, Library CEO
Ische, Director of Community Services
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works
Andre Morin, Director of Corporate Services / Treasurer
Andrea Slade, Manager of Aquatics

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Strathdee called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution 2024-04-16-01

Moved By: Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By: Councillor Pridham

THAT the April 16, 2024 Strategic Priorities Committee agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES REVIEW

4.1 COR 20-2024 Library Surplus/Deficit

Andre Morin presented COR 20-2024 report.

The Committee sought clarification regarding what funds are currently allocated to the Library reserve, and how unused donations are managed. Mr. Morin clarified that donations are placed in a separate reserve dedicated for the Library.

Resolution 2024-04-16-02

Moved By: Councillor Aylward

Seconded By: Councillor Luna

THAT COR 20-2024 Library Surplus/Deficit report be received; and

THAT the Strategic Priorities Committee recommends to Council:

THAT staff be directed to proceed with Option 1: To maintain the status quo, Library surpluses/deficits are retained/funded by the Town, and,

THAT staff be directed to include in the Library annual expenditures a reasonable cost for administrative and facility costs in order to properly reflect the full cost of Library services.

CARRIED

4.2 DCS 17-2024 Quarry Strategic Planning

Stephanie Ische and Andrea Slade spoke to DCS 17-2024.

The Committee discussed the options provided in the report regarding the swimming and non-swimming quarry, and asked that the following items be considered when developing any future plans for both locations:

- management of and reduction of liability concerns
- how new amenities may impact passive uses
- how parking will be impacted and managed
- maintaining a natural look of the quarry

- opportunities for cost sharing or partnership with the private sector partners
- feedback from the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority

Resolution 2024-04-16-03

Moved By: Councillor Luna

Seconded By: Councillor Aylward

THAT DCS 17-2024 Quarry Strategic Planning report be received as information; and,

THAT Strategic Priorities Committee recommends to Council:

THAT staff be directed to develop a business plan for the Non-Swimming Quarry focusing on:

- A plan to clean it up, reduce liabilities, and create a groomed look
- A plan that focuses on increasing opportunities for passive and active public uses of the facility

THAT staff be directed to continue actively exploring additional amenities and modifications that could take place to maximize the recreational tourism potential of the Swimming Quarry location.

CARRIED

5. NEXT MEETING

*All meetings are open to the public to attend in person and will be live streamed to the Town's YouTube channel.

May 21, 2024 - 9:00 am, Municipal Operations Centre Boardroom

6. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2024-04-16-04

Moved By: Councillor Pridham

Seconded By: Councillor Lucas

THAT this meeting of the Strategic Priorities Committee be adjourned at 10:25 am.

CARRIED

Al Strathdee, Mayor

Jenna McCartney, Clerk