

Report to Committee of the Whole

Date: 5/12/2025
From: Julia McCaugherty-Jansman, Clerk
Re: Draft Sale and Disposition of Municipal Lands and Road Closure Policies

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive for information the report and draft policies for the sale and disposition of municipal lands and road closures;

AND FURTHER THAT Committee direct staff to bring the final draft policies and relevant by-laws to the May 26th Regular Council Meeting for approval.

BACKGROUND

At the April 14th Committee of the Whole Meeting, the following motion was passed:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Barr

Seconded by Mayor Cameron

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive for information the report and the draft Sale and Disposition of Municipal Land Policy and the draft Road Closure Policy;

AND FURTHER THAT Committee directs staff to proceed with Option B as outlined in the report.

Carried.

Option B as outlined in the report was the following:

Option B: Continue making the required changes to the draft Policies and bring the draft Policies to the May 12th Committee of the Whole Meeting for further discussion.

ANALYSIS

The purpose of this review and new draft Policies is to ensure that the process of the sale and disposition of municipal lands, as well as the road closure process, is clear and easy to interpret for the public, for Council, and for staff to reference moving forward. The current By-law does not offer as clear an interpretation as possible, therefore staff have taken on the task of reviewing other municipal sale of lands policies.

The draft policies and the supplementary schedules are attached for further review. They have been reviewed by the Village's Solicitor and the Village's Planner. The only change that has been made since the first review on April 14th, is the highlighted section with the strike-through. This was brought up by the Village's Planner, as road

allowances are one of the more common requests and recommends that they should be appraised for value and not exempt from that process.

BUDGET/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

CONCLUSION

Staff are requesting that Committee review the draft policies and provide any feedback or comments to finalize them to bring back for final decision at the May 26th Regular Council Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Schedule "A" – Draft Sale and Disposition of Lands Policy

Schedule "B" – Draft Road Closure Policy

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Approved by:

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