

November 12, 2024

A meeting of the Committee of the L.U.D. of Warren was held at the Multi-purpose building on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. with the following present: Committee member D. Friesen, Committee member J. Olson, Committee member C. Martin and Recording Secretary Corlie Larsen.

Regrets: Councillor D Sinclair and PWF Dave Kozyra

Diana Friesen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Adopt Agenda

J. Olson/C. Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the meeting be approved will the following additions:

New Business

- Poplarwood Drainage
- Newsletter Feedback

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Carried

Delegations:

6:30 p.m. Stacy Gabor – Proposal for land development of 340 Atwell Lane. Stacy expressed interest in starting a community garden and utilizing vacant lot 340 Atwell Lane next to the trailer court. Property could also create a cohesive walking path for residents. The lot has been listed for sale a few times over the last few years. The LUD Committee advised that the first step would be to see who owns the land.

Approval of Minutes

C. Martin/J. Olson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes from the October 8, 2024 meeting be accepted as presented.

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1 Absent
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Committee Reports:

Finance

D. Friesen/C. Martin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the L.U.D. of Warren Committee accept the Financial Statements for October 2024 as presented.

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RM Report – COTW and Council Meetings

- Diana reported on the COTW October 15th meeting where items discussed relevant to the LUD were:
 - Private property on Poplarwood Dr. has a municipal drainage easement agreement and the drain is being used by snowmobilers as a trail. Council decided to provide temporary snow fencing along with a permanent “private property” sign to the property owner to install.
 - Capital projects report included LUD projects indicating actual costs were over the budgeted amounts on Morton Dr. asphalt, Kotelko walkway, and Pedestrian Lighting.
 - Unsightly property demolition deadline was appealed and to be extended.
 - Administration is to draft a “Discharge of Firearms By-law” to be prohibited in the Townsites and the Prime Meridian Trail.
 - Discussed the high volume well to be located within the Warren Industrial Park. RM proceeding with meeting and background study with Friesen Drillers.
 - Discussed the upcoming regional water project open houses. The LUD requested to have a formal presentation instead of an open house.

Maintenance Report

- Public Works – no report
 - Administration to check with the PW Foreman if the culverts dropped off by the curling rink are for the SIRC drainage project.
- Service Tracker – Report received for October.
- Equipment Charges – none

Accessibility – Multipurpose building landscaping project is completed and the smaller sized gravel used in the parking area provides a smoother more accessible surface. Administration to check with public works on the status of a Accessible Parking sign for the Warren Hall.

Pedestrian – Pedestrian Committee Meeting set for November 18th at 11:30 a.m.

LUD Committee Prep – Nothing new

Steering Committee Report – Cal sent out an email requesting contact information of various groups to be able to meet and discuss mutual planning interests with key players and organizations in the Warren Community.

Communities in Bloom (CiB) – Judy reported that Warren received a 3 out of 5 bloom rating with a score of 72.3%. Pat Arbuckle has joined the committee for a total of 5 members. A comprehensive evaluation is available highlighting many positive attributes as well as helpful recommendations in all six categories of the program. The committee would like to present their first years' experience with Council. Based on one of the recommendations to plant a variety of new trees in Lion's Park, and with the permission of the LUD and RM, the committee would like to submit a grant request to Tree Canada. It was also recommended to consider other possible sites for future tree planting. The committee would like to explore partnership with the Pedestrian Committee as they have common goals in the community landscape, tree management and beautification. The LUD discussed location of a new Warren sign near highway 6 which was another one of the recommendations. Total budget spent for 2024 was \$1,285.25. RM administration is looking into liability insurance for Warren CiB Committee.

C. Martin/D. Friesen

WHEREAS a volunteer Communities in Bloom Committee, registered with the Provincial Communities in Bloom Program has been formed for the Community of Warren;

AND WHEREAS one of the goals of the Warren Communities in Bloom Committee is to identify areas for development in community tree management;

AND WHEREAS the 2024 provincial judge's evaluation recommended the planting of a new and different variety of trees in Lion's Park;

AND WHEREAS the ownership of Lion's Park has been transferred to the R.M. of Woodlands with management by the Local Urban District of Warren;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Warren Communities in Bloom Committee request permission from the R.M., as landowner's, to apply for an unmatched 2024 Tree Canada grant, up to \$10,000 for the purpose of planting additional trees within Lion's Park;

AND FURTHERMORE if the Tree Canada Grant is successful, the Warren CiB Committee requests assistance from the R.M. with management/payout of funds received, including the hold back until project reporting is complete.

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Old Business:

- Pedestrian Lighting – School Cross Walk – Culvert edges have been addressed and rubberized.
- Landscaping at Multipurpose Building – Work completed.
- Community Events Board (SIRC Sign) – Painting held off until spring. More sign letters were found in metal boxes at the LUD shop.
- Manness Road – Nothing new.
- Casual Winter Employee/LUD Seasonal Operator – LUD employee to be called in for casual work when required not considered on-call.
- Dog Park Shelter – Nothing new.
- Parks/Greenspace – Lions Park – Maintenance & keys to park structures – Need to work on RFP for park maintenance. Park still needs fall clean up done. The lights at the park are not all working. MB Hydro has fixed voltage issues on their end by trimming trees. Public works to check on why the lights in the park are not all working properly. Check with public works on key access.
- Directional Town Signage – Signs have been updated with donated work from Blair Coolidge.
- Application for Annexation of Industrial Park – Confirmation from province required for budgeting, check on status and related point of contacts.
- VLS Grass Cutting – RM working on updating the grass cutting costs.
- Hanlan Sidewalk – Move to 2025 budget.
- Invicta Trail Phase 2 – Design quote & schedule meeting – Contact has been made to accept the quote, waiting for follow up on dates to meet and discuss design with Spruce Acres.
- Dog Park By-law – Council has given 1st reading to the By-law with the penalties included in the Administrative Penalties By-law.
- Grass Cutting Warren – Set up meeting with the CAO and PW Foreman to discuss plan for 2025.

- Banners – No update from PW Foreman on hydro pole application.
- Utility Billing – Warren shop water meter meeting or separate meter – Cal met with the RM’s utility manager and LUD employee to look at the water usage issue. Discussed costs required to set up a separate meter and toured the building. It was found that the flapper in the toilet gets stuck causing water to constantly run. Close monitoring of the meter will be an option to keep an eye on how much water is used to flood the rink.

C. Martin/J. Olson

THAT the LUD contract MacMillan Plumbing to purchase and install a toilet in the Warren Public Works Shop at an approximate cost of \$600.00.

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C. Martin/D. Friesen

THAT the LUD request a key for the Warren Public Works Shop in order to monitor water flow through the winter of 2024-5.

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New Business:

- No overnight parking By-law for trailers.

D. Friesen/J. Olson

RESOLVED THAT the LUD Committee agrees to have administration draft a By-law to regulate the parking of semi-trailer truck tractors and trailers on residential streets and roads within the boundaries of the LUD of Warren.

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- Gift certificate for the Murray’s volunteer works on Welcome Triangle.

J. Olson/C. Martin

RESOLVED THAT the LUD Committee approves to purchase a gift certificate for Murray and Sandy Scott in the amount of \$250.00 for their volunteer landscaping/gardening work at the welcome triangle.

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- Poplarwood Drainage (item added)

C. Martin/J. Olson

RESOLVED THAT after reviewing the history of the drainage ditch at 75 Poplarwood Drive and considering future development of the area the L.U.D. Committee proposes to Council to leave the drainage ditch open as it is.

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- Newsletter Feedback (item added)
 - Diana read some positive feedback she received regarding the newsletter and completed LUD projects.

Public Forum

- Judy Hogg asked:
 - If the Christmas Lights have started going up. LUD replied that yes, they have.
 - For clarification on what the Banners are. LUD explained that the community banners were created a few years ago from a photo contest. There were different photos made to display in the different communities of Warren, Woodlands, Lake Francis and Marquette on hydro poles. The banners were made but not yet installed on the poles. In Warren the suggested locations were Ed Pletz Dr., Kings and Rd 77 and after the 4 way stop on MacDonald.
 - If the no parking of trailers on streets by-law could be extended to include all vehicles.
 - That the LUD consider a welcome sign similar to what Stonewall has with flowers.

In Camera

Out of Camera

D. Friesen

THAT we do now adjourn at 8:42 p.m. to meet again on Monday, December 9th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.



Chairperson
D. Friesen



Recording Secretary
C. Larsen