

## TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

### MINUTES

SESSION NO. 042

June 8, 2020

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held virtually on June 8, 2020 from 6:11 p.m. to 7:47 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor J. Caul, Chairperson; Councillors M. Behan, W. Brunetta, A. Hallikas, D. Judson, J. McTaggart and R. Wiedenhoeft.

ALSO PRESENT: D. Brown, CAO, E. Slomke, Clerk, D. Galusha, Treasurer (6:11-7:23), T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities (6:11-6:30), J. Forbes, Human Resources Manager (6:11-6:30 and 7:36-7:43), A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager (6:11-6:30), J. Hughes, Information Technology Manager (6:11-6:30)

### **1. COUNCIL MEETING** (Session No. 042)

- 1.1 Call to Order at 6:11 p.m.
- 1.2 ~~Prayer~~ Silent Meditation
- 1.3 Non-agenda items identified to be considered later in this meeting - None.
- 1.4 Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

Councillor Judson disclosed an interest in Item 10.2 from this agenda as he is on the board of an organization that has applied for support from this fund. He did not take part in any meetings related to the selection or recommendation of recipients, and he will not be present for the discussion of this in-camera item.

### **2. Delegations/Deputations:**

- 2.1 Public Meeting re: 357/358 Application for Tax Adjustment - McIrvine Road (2019) Roll No. 5912-010-18002-0000.
  - approval of this report will agree to the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2019 taxes under Section 357/358 of the ***Municipal Act*** for property located at McIrvine Road resulting from the purchase of the property by the Town of Fort Frances, which is exempt from paying taxes.

There was no one present to speak for or against this item when Mayor Caul opened the floor.

- 401 Judson - Behan: THAT the report dated June 3, 2020 from D. Galusha, Treasurer re: Public Meeting re: 357/358 Application for Tax Adjustment - McIrvine Road (2019) Roll No. 5912-010-18002-0000 be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2019 taxes under Section 357/358 of the ***Municipal Act*** for property located at McIrvine Road resulting from the purchase of the property by the Town of Fort Frances, which is exempt from paying taxes.

CARRIED

### **3. Consent Agenda:**

- 3.1 Items Referred from Committee of the Whole

- 402 Wiedenhoeft - Brunetta: THAT the following Consent items be approved:

- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 5.1, ~~5.2~~, ~~5.3~~, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7 and 5.8.
- 2) Council Consent item # 3.2 and 3.3.

CARRIED

- 3.2 Email from Caren Fagerdahl, Museum Advisory Board and Friends of the Museum re: Owandem  
- will be referred to the Community Services Executive Committee for recommendation with additional input provided by the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee.
- 3.3 Letter from Ian McKay, RefleXion Studio re: Request for Planning Cost relief  
- will be referred to the Planning & Development Executive Committee for recommendation.

**4. Approval of Council Minutes: \***

- 4.1 Session No. 041 dated May 25, 2020

- 403 Brunetta - Behan: THAT the minutes of the Council meetings being Session Nos. 041 dated May 25, 2020 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

**5. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes: \***

- 5.1 Session No. 042 dated May 25, 2020

- 404 Hallikas - Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Session No. 042 dated May 25, 2020 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

**6. Resolutions from tonight's Committee meeting**

- 6.1 Council considered the following resolutions:

- 405 McTaggart - Hallikas: THAT the report dated June 1, 2020 from A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager re: Summer Programs be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to cancel summer programs as outlined in this report.

CARRIED

- 406 Hallikas - Judson: THAT the report dated June 1, 2020 from A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager re: Memorial Sports Centre Stage 2 Grant Application be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to support the NOHFC Stage 2 Grant Application and to cover any cost overruns the project may experience.

CARRIED

**7. By-Laws:**

- 7.1 By-law 63/11-E being a by-law to amend by-law 63/11 The Official Plan, as amended (814/820 Scott Street)

- 407 Behan - Hallikas: THAT the following by-laws be introduced and read a first, second and third time, be finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and become law forthwith:
  - 63/11-E being a by-law to amend by-law 63/11 The Official Plan, as amended (814/820 Scott Street).

- 03/14-T being a by-law amend by-law 03/14 the Zoning By-law, as amended (814/820 Scott Street).
- 28/20 being a by-law to delegate certain authority to the Chief Building Official.
- 29/20 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Brunet Monuments for three Columbaria awarded through the Request for Proposal process.

CARRIED

7.2 By-law 03/14-T being a by-law amend by-law 03/14 the Zoning By-law, as amended (814/820 Scott Street).

7.3 By-law 28/20 being a by-law to delegate certain authority to the Chief Building Official.

7.4 By-law 29/20 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Brunet Monuments for three Columbaria awarded through the Request for Proposal process.

**8. Information Correspondence:**

The following two items were received.

- 8.1 AMO Communications
- Watchfile dated May 28, 2020
  - Watchfile dated June 4, 2020

8.2 City of Brantford re: Request support for Essential Workers Day - March 17

**9. Minutes:**

The following five items were received.

9.1 Administration and Finance Executive Committee dated May 5, 2020.

9.2 Police Services Board dated February 26, 2020.

9.3 Operations and Facilities Executive Committee dated May 6, 2020

9.4 Community Services Executive Committee dated April 6, 2020

9.5 Committee of Adjustment dated May 14, 2020

**10. In-Camera:**

10.1 Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose: Property Matter  
(6:30-7:23pm)

A verbal explanation was provided by W. Derksen, Town Solicitor. Additional input was provided by D. Brown, CAO and D. Galusha, Treasurer. A lengthy discussion took place. Direction was provided to the Town Solicitor.

408 McTaggart - Behan: THAT Council now meet in-camera in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; more specifically Item 10.2 Moffat Family Fund recommendations
- a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; more specifically Item 10.3 North End inquiry and Item 10.4 Surplus Property
- labour relations or employee negotiations; more specifically Item 10.5 Firefighter Association
- advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary

CARRIED

- 10.2 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees: Moffat Family Fund recommendations

\*\*This item was moved to the end of in-camera so that Councillor Judson could participate in the remaining items before he signed off due to his conflict of interest declaration.

Councillor Judson disclosed an interest in this item as he is on the board of an organization that has applied for support from this fund. He did not take part in any meeting related to the selection or recommendation of recipients, and he left the virtual session for the discussion of this item.

(7:44-7:46pm)

A brief verbal summary was provided by D. Brown, CAO.

- 10.3 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board: North End Inquiry

(7:23-7:28pm)

A verbal summary was provided by E. Slomke, Clerk. A brief discussion took place. Direction was provided to the Clerk.

- 10.4 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board: Surplus Property

(7:28-7:35pm)

A verbal summary was provided by E. Slomke, Clerk. A brief discussion took place. Direction was provided to the Clerk.

- 10.5 Labour relations or employee negotiations: Firefighter Association

(7:36-7:43pm)

A verbal summary was provided by J. Forbes, Human Resources Manager with additional input provided by D. Brown, CAO. A discussion took place.

**11. Public Session Resumes in Committee Room at 7:46 p.m.**

Resolutions required, subsequent to in-camera session, will be considered at this time. Anyone wishing to obtain a copy may e-mail the Clerk tomorrow.

- 11.1 Council considered the following resolutions as a result of the In-camera session:

- 409 Hallikas - Brunetta: THAT the report dated June 5, 2020 from J. Forbes, Human Resources Manager re: Tentative Agreement with Fort Frances Professional Fire Fighters be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Bargaining Committee to approve the agreement in principle between the Town of Fort Frances and the Fort Frances Professional Fire Fighters Association.

CARRIED

- 410 Behan - Wiedenhoef: THAT the report dated June 4, 2020 from the Moffat Family Fund Steering Committee re: 2020 Moffat Family Fund Grant Allocations be approved to endorse the 14 recipients named herein for recommendation to the Winnipeg Foundation for the purpose of allocating their respective portions of \$93,750.00 in grant funding for the year 2020.

CARRIED

**12. Non-agenda Items - None.**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

- 13.1 The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

411 Wiedenhoeft - Behan: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances  
be now closed.

CARRIED

J. Caul, Mayor

M. Behan, Chairperson

E. Slomke, Clerk