

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 049

JULY 9, 2012

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, July 9, 2012 from 7:08 p.m. to 7:37 p.m.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor S. Tibbs, Chairperson; Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, G. Paul Ryan and R. Wiedenhoeft.

ALSO PRESENT: M. McCaig, Administrator, G. Treftlin, Clerk; J. Kabel, Manager, Community Services; D. Brown, Manager, Operations & Facilities; L. Witherspoon, Treasurer.

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest on agenda items by members:
 - 1) Councillor A. Hallikas on Committee of the Whole agenda item 8.1 stating that the claim for per diem was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 2) Councillor P. Ryan on Committee of the Whole agenda item 7.3 and Council agenda item 7.3 stating that in both instances he occasionally provides consulting services to the subject company (George Armstrong Co. Limited). He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 3) Councillor K. Perry on item 2.1 stating that the property is his sons. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
2. Verbal Communications:
 - 1) Public meeting re: Applications for tax adjustment under s.357/358, the Municipal Act, 2001 for 613 Second Street East; 130 Fifth Street East; and 566 Riverview Drive. No one came forward to speak to the applications when invited by Deputy Mayor Tibbs.
 - 2) L. Skaarup, Utility Services & Construction Manager, Union Gas presented the Town with four cheques in the amount of \$1,000.00 each from Union Gas under their Helping Hands initiative for three projects at the Memorial Sports Centre and Project Petunia of the Chamber of Commerce.
3. Written communications as per the agenda attached.
4. Non agenda items:
 - 1) M. McCaig extended the Town's sincere appreciation to key individuals who volunteered their efforts to bring about a successful July 1st Canada Day event. Councillor Hallikas extended appreciation to all the volunteers for the successful events. Councillor Wiedenhoeft reported that it was agreed that there would not be a winner declared for the International Tug 'O War in 2012. Due to severe weather conditions the event was cancelled.
 - 2) Wine and cheese event on August 1st to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the international bridge and Canada Customs – proclamation.
5. Resolutions:
 - 655 Hallikas-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated July 3, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment (2012) Re: 613 Second Street East, 130 Fifth Street East and & 566 Riverview Drive be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: K. Perry
 - 656 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the following Consent items be approved:
 - 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 7.1, 7.2 7.4, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8 and 7.9.
 - 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 3.1
 - 3) Council Consent item # 3.3. CARRIED

- 7.1 authorized the acquisition of certain land from Love Perchaluk and Kenneth Douma (Pin 56017-0032) by the Town of Fort Frances for purposes of a public thoroughfare.
- 7.2 approved the May 2012 Drinking Water Systems Monthly Summary Report.
- 7.4 approved the hourly rental rates for construction equipment and vehicle for a three year period ending June 18, 2015.
- 7.5 approved a commitment of \$15,000.00 over a three year period towards the Riverside Foundation for Health Care Digital Mammography Fundraising Campaign; and reserves the right to review on an annual basis the year 2 and year 3 commitments during the budget process.
- 7.6 approved receiving Minutes of Settlement – Requests for Reconsideration for properties located at 802 Second Street East, 1028 Second Street East, 1017 Colonization Road West, 1216 Colonization Road West, 922 Victoria Avenue, 707 Victoria Avenue and 1319 Idylwild Drive in Fort Frances.
- 7.7 approved referring the Fort Frances Public Library Board Amended Memorandum of Understanding and Roles and Responsibilities document to Administrative staff for review and report back to the Administration and Finance Executive Committee.
- 7.8 approved an advertising request from the Fort Frances Times re: 2013 Northwestern Ontario Vacation Guide Map at a cost of \$520.00 plus applicable taxes.
- 7.9 approved vesting the Rainy Lake Hotel property located at 235 Scott Street and consider other elements of the Rainy Lake Hotel Advisory Committee report during the 2013 budget process.
- 3.3 approved inviting Mr. E. Haglund to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Planning and Development Executive Committee to discuss the requester's Property Issues as identified in his letter dated June 20, 2012.

- 657 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 48 dated June 25, 2012 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 658 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being session No. 60 dated June 25, 2012 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 659 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the agreement of purchase and sale between Fort Frances Community Clinic Inc. and The Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances in regard to property municipally known as 363 Church Street (PIN 56018-0123) the former site of the Fort Frances Public Library, be approved, subject to revisions, for the Mayor and Clerk to sign and affix the Corporate Seal thereto and further that an appropriate authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED
- 660 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated July 4, 2012 from D. Brown, Manager of Operations and Facilities re: Appointment to the Off-Leash Dog Park Steering Committee be approved. CARRIED
- 661 Hallikas-Perry: THAT the report dated June 28, 2012 from D. Brown, Manager of Operations and Facilities re: Tender No. 12-OF-09 – Rental Rates for Equipment & Vehicles be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: P. Ryan
- 662 Ryan-Perry: THAT the report dated July 3, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Andrew Hallikas – Per Diem Claim be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: A. Hallikas
- 663 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated July 5, 2012 from J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services re: Ice For Kids – Ice Plant Failure be approved. CARRIED

- 664 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the decision dated June 28, 2012 issued by the Ontario Municipal Board in the matter of an appeal by Eric H. Rude against Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 8/98-TT (OMB File PL120059) be received. CARRIED
- 665 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: 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:
- 22/12 A by-law for the purpose of providing for the maintenance, management, regulation and control of municipally owned cemeteries in the Town of Fort Frances.
- 32/12 A by-law to authorize the acquisition of certain land from Love Perchaluk and Kenneth Douma for purposes of a public thoroughfare. CARRIED
- 666 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT By-Law No. 33/12 being a by-law to approve contracts pursuant to Tender 12-OF-07 for the supply and delivery of granular materials in 2012 – 2014 with Tom Veert Contracting Ltd. and George Armstrong Co. Limited 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. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: P. Ryan
- 667 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That as requested in a letter dated June 20, 2012 from Ministry of Transportation, Traffic Section, Northwestern Region, the Proposed Fort Frances Population Sign showing a population of 8000 be confirmed. CARRIED
- 668 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That the sponsorship invitation dated June 26, 2012 from Shaw TV re 2012 Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship be received. CARRIED
- 669 Hallikas-Ryan: WHEREAS on June 25, 2012, Council passed a resolution to authorize a wine and cheese event on August 1, 2012 to be held at the Fort Frances Museum to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the international bridge spanning the Rainy River between Fort Frances, Ontario and International Falls, Minnesota, U.S.A. and the opening of the Canadian Customs at our border,
- NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of the importance of this international bridge and the border inspections services to Fort Frances and International Falls, Minnesota, and also the Northwestern Ontario Corridor between Thunder Bay and the Manitoba border, Council hereby declares this 100th anniversary celebration to be an event of municipal significance. CARRIED
- 670 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

S. Tibbs, Chairperson

G. Treftlin, Clerk

