

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

MINUTES

SESSION NO. 064

April 26, 2021

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held virtually on April 26, 2021 from 6:17 p.m. to 6:56 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 (6:17-6:34), T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities (6:17-6:34), A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager (6:17-6:34, 6:47-6:56), J. Forbes, Human Resources Manager, C. Vangel, CBO / Municipal Planner (6:17-6:34) and J. Hughes, Information Technology Manager (6:17-6:34)

1. COUNCIL MEETING

(Session No. 064) to immediately follow the Committee of the Whole

- 1.1 Call to Order at 6:17 p.m.
- 1.2 Territorial Acknowledgement
- 1.3 Moment of Meditation
- 1.4 Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.
Councillor Brunetta disclosed an interest in Item 6.1 from tonight's Committee of the Whole meeting as these are her per diem claims for the NOMA board meetings in October 2020 and March 2021.

2. Consent Agenda:

- 2.1 Items Referred from Committee of the Whole

657 Behan - 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 and 5.6.
- 2. Council Consent items # 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4.

CARRIED

- 2.2 Email from J. Lampi-Hughes, Owner, Energy Fitness re: Request for Tax Break Policy
- will be referred to the Administration & Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 2.3 Email from M. Fraczkiwicz, 5th Street East Resident re: Culvert Concerns
- will be referred to the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 2.4 Letter from A. Bedard, Fort Frances Resident re: Concern for Memorial Trees on King's Hwy
- will be referred to the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee for recommendation.

3. Approval of Council Minutes: *

- 3.1 Session Nos. 061 and 062 both dated April 12, 2021

- 658 McTaggart - Wiedenhoeft: THAT the minutes of the Council meetings being Session Nos. 061 and 062 both dated April 12, 2021 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

4. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes: *

- 4.1 Session No. 062 dated March 31, 2021 and Session Nos. 063 and 064 dated April 12, 2021

- 659 Wiedenhoeft - Behan: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meetings being Session No. 062 dated March 31, 2021 and Session Nos. 063 and 064 both dated April 12, 2021 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

5. Resolutions from tonight's Committee of the Whole meeting

- 5.1 Council considered the following resolutions:

Councillor Brunetta disclosed an interest in resolution 661 below as these are her per diem claims for the NOMA board meetings in October 2020 and March 2021.

Councillor McTaggart requested a recorded vote on resolution 662 with the following results:

Behan - YEA Brunetta - YEA Caul - YEA

Hallikas - YEA Judson - YEA McTaggart - NAY

Wiedenhoeft - YEA

- 660 McTaggart - Judson: THAT the presentation from L. Hansen, Senior Negotiator and M. Dokis, Associate Negotiator, Ministry of Indigenous Affairs re: Rainy Lake First Nations Flooding Claims be received with thanks.

CARRIED

- 661 Behan - McTaggart: THAT the report dated April 20, 2021 from D. Galusha, Treasurer re: Councillor Brunetta -NOMA Board Meeting Per Diems be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to approve per diems in the amount of \$80.00 each as submitted by Councillor Brunetta for her attendance at the NOMA Executive Board Meetings on October 14, 2020 and March 17, 2021.

CARRIED

- 662 Brunetta - Judson: THAT the report dated April 26, 2021 from C. Vangel, CBO / Municipal Planner re: B1-2021: Zoning By-law Amendment - 820 Fifth Street East be approved to agree with the recommendations of the Planning & Development Executive Committee and the Committee of Adjustment to rezone 820 Fifth Street East to Residential Type Two (R2) with a site specific permitted accessory use as a day nursery (Early ON Centre) within the seniors' apartment building.

CARRIED

- 663 Judson - Behan: THAT the report dated April 21, 2021 from T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities re: Award of Tender 21-OF-02 - 2021 Road Reconstruction be approved to agree with the recommendation of Administration to award to Bay City Contractors at an estimated cost of \$1,661,101.13 which includes HST and a contingency allowance of \$150,000.00, that the replacement of the Firehall Entry Slabs be funded out of the Corporate Projects Reserve, that prior to construction start and open house public meeting be scheduled to ensure all property owners abutting the construction project obtain first-hand knowledge of these projects and have the opportunity to ask questions and further that the Mayor and Clerk be

authorized to execute the contract documents on behalf of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances.

CARRIED

- 664 McTaggart - Brunetta: THAT the letter dated April 23, 2021 from Fort Frances Police Services Board re: Detachment Board changes be received and further that Council hereby supports the Board Chair working with neighbouring communities and administration to prepare a suitable proposal by the deadline of June 7, 2021.

CARRIED

6. By-Laws:

- 6.1 By-law 13/20-A being a by-law to amend by-law 13/20, a by-law regarding certain property owned by the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances.

- 665 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:

- 13/20-A being a by-law to amend by-law 13/20, a by-law regarding certain property owned by the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances.
- 17/21 being a by-law to authorize execution of a site plan control agreement as a condition of demolition with 2670568 Ontario Limited
- 18/21 being a by-law to approve a transfer payment agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshall
- 19/21 being a by-law to authorize entering into an agreement with Public Sector Digest Inc. for the implementation of CityWide Budgeting modules.

CARRIED

- 6.2 By-law 17/21 being a by-law to authorize execution of a site plan control agreement as a condition of demolition with 2670568 Ontario Limited.

- 6.3 By-law 18/21 being a by-law to approve a transfer payment agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshall.

- 6.4 By-law 19/21 being a by-law to authorize entering into an agreement with Public Sector Digest Inc. for the implementation of CityWide Budgeting modules.

7. New Items - None.

8. Information Correspondence:

The following three items were received.

- 8.1 Letter dated April 19, 2021 from Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) re: Northern Ontario School of Medicine dissolve partnership (with additional supporting email from MPP Gravelle)
- 8.2 Letter from Town of Plympton-Wyoming re: Resolution Support for 988
- Council directed the Clerk prepare a letter of support.
- 8.3 Letter dated April 15, 2021 from Rainy River Future Development Corporation re: Membership Information

9. Minutes of Local Boards / Committees:

The following five items were received.

- 9.1 Planning & Development Executive Committee - April 5, 2021

9.2 Community Services Executive Committee - April 5, 2021

9.3 Administration & Finance Executive Committee - March 16, 2021

9.4 Operations & Facilities Executive Committee - March 17, 2021

9.5 Downtown BIA Board of Management - March 10, 2021

10. In-Camera at 6:34 p.m.

10.1 Labour relations or employee negotiations: Pending Matter (6:39-6:46pm)
- J. Forbes, D. Brown, E. Slomke were connected virtually with Council for this item.
J. Forbes provided a verbal update. Members of Council were provided opportunity to ask questions and obtain clarification.

666 Judson - Brunetta: 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 RFP Recommendation
- labour relations or employee negotiations; more specifically Item 10.1 Pending Matter
CARRIED

10.2 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees: RFP Recommendation (6:47-6:54pm)
- A. Bisson, D. Brown, J. Forbes and E. Slomke were connected virtually with Council for this item.
A Bisson provided a verbal summary. Members of Council were provided opportunity to ask questions and obtain clarification. A resolution will be considered after this in-camera session.

11. Public Session Resumes at 6:55 p.m.

12. Resolutions Required as a result of In-Camera discussions:

12.1 Council considered the following resolution:

667 Behan - Hallikas: THAT the report dated April 19, 2021 from A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager re: RFP 21-CS-04 Sorting Gap Marina be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to award RFP 21-CS-04 Sorting Gap Marina to D&D Enterprises for a two-year term with the option to renew for another two-year term.

CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT

13.1 The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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

CARRIED

R. Wiedenhoeft, Chairperson

E. Slomke, Clerk