

REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE

June 28, 2021

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Council was held virtually on June 28, 2021 from 5:31 p.m. to 6:58 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: E. Slomke, Clerk, D. Galusha, Treasurer/Acting CAO, T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities, A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager, C. Vangel, CBO / Municipal Planner

1. Call to Order at 5:31 p.m./ Roll Call

2. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof - None.

3. Delegations/Deputations:

3.1 A presentation was made by A. Cox and M. Cox on behalf of Riverside Foundation for Health Care - Picture This Capital Campaign.
- a resolution will be considered later tonight in Council.

3.2 A presentation was made by D. Kircher respecting the Crossroute Forest SFL.
- a resolution will be considered later tonight in Council.

4. Council Reports on Board & Committee Activity:

4.1 Mayor June Caul - A Verbal Update was provided congratulating the OPP Drug Enforcement Team on recent local drug bust, update on Naicatchewenin First Nations evacuation, various community concerns respecting the international bridge, ESFL - wood allocation, railway to Rainier, new CAO decision and finally an update on a recent webinar for mayors delivered by George Cuff.
Councillor Mike Behan - A Verbal Update was provided respecting activities of the Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce and recent webinar about Heart of Canada route.
Councillor Wendy Brunetta - A Verbal Update was provided respecting the Northwestern Ontario Health Unit Board of Health, aLPHa conference, NOMA and Physician recruitment.
Councillor Andrew Hallikas - A Verbal Update was provided respecting the Community safety & Well-being committee, Fort Frances Public Library and Technology Centre, NTAB appointment and various Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board matters.

5. Consent Agenda:

5.1 FFCBC Request Letter
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to approve the request as outlined in this report and attached map, as well as waiving the building permit fee of \$57.00.

183 Behan - Brunetta: THAT the matters listed on the Consent Agenda be referred to the Consent Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council later tonight for approval being items # 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, ~~5.4~~, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7 and 5.8.

CARRIED

- 5.2 Newfort Request for SPCA Deposit Return - 814 Scott Street
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to return the letter of credit subject to conditions outlined in this report.
- 5.3 Permit Fee Waiver Request
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to waive building / demolition permit fees for the renovations at the Memorial Sports Centre and demolition of the Mowat Nursing Station.
- 5.4 Summer Programs
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to reverse the original decision to cancel Summer Programs as outlined in this report.
- This item was pulled by Councillors Brunetta and Judson. A discussion took place. Council agreed to modify the wording in the resolution which will be considered later tonight.
- 5.5 CMOG Application
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Community Service Executive Committee to submit the CMOG application as outlined in this report.
- 5.6 Royal Canadian Legion Manitoba / NW Ontario Command Advertising
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to approve an advertisement of 1/10 page (Business Card B&W) size in the "Military Service Recognition Book" in the amount of \$205.00.
- 5.7 Investment Management
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to approve transferring most of the reserve funds in the short-term to the High Interest Savings Account, and further that the Treasurer will work with ONE Investment advisors to determine a diversified portfolio that will meet the needs of the Town of Fort Frances.
- 5.8 Collections Policy Update
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to approve the Collection Policy number 1.9 as presented.

6. Operations and Facilities Division:

- 6.1 A Verbal Update on Capital Projects was provided by T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities.
- 6.2 Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry Intent to Participate 2022
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of Administration to agree to partner with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry for aerial orthophotography under the 2022 Northwestern Ontario Orthophotography Project.

7. General:

- 7.1 A Covid 19 Update was provided by Mayor Caul.

8. Information:

The following five items were received.

- 8.1 2021 Statement of Operations - General Fund

8.2 2021 Capital YTD vs Budget - May 2021

8.3 Mill Demolition Project Update

8.4 G. Beck, POA Prosecutor - 2020 Statistics

8.5 G. Beck, POA Prosecutor - Jan 1-June 30 2021 Statistics

9. ADJOURNMENT

9.1 The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

184 Brunetta - Hallikas: THAT this meeting of the Committee of Whole of Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed.

CARRIED

R. Wiedenhoeft, Chairperson

E. Slomke, Clerk