

REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE

July 12, 2021

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Council was held virtually on July 12, 2021 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:55 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, T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities, A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager, J. Forbes, Human Resources Manager / Acting CAO, C. Vangel, CBO / Municipal Planner, J. Hughes, Information Technology Manager

1. Call to Order at 5:30 p.m./ Roll Call

2. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

Councillor Judson disclosed an interest in Item 3.1 from this agenda as he serves on the volunteer board of directors of a not-for-profit corporation that applied for this funding. He did not attend or take part in any meeting to review any funding applications nor did he take part in any votes or decision-making on the funding allocations or related recommendations.

3. Delegations/Deputations:

3.1 The 2021 Moffat Family Fund Grant Recipients were announced by Mayor June Caul.

-Councillor Judson disclosed an interest in this Item as he serves on the volunteer board of directors of a not-for-profit corporation that applied for this funding. He did not attend or take part in any meeting to review any funding applications nor did he take part in any votes or decision-making on the funding allocations or related recommendations.

3.2 G. Gillon, T. Drysdale and M. Willick presented Information about Boundary Waters Forest Management Corporation to Council.

-Members of Council were provided opportunity to ask questions and obtain additional clarification.

4. Council Reports on Board & Committee Activity:

4.1 Mayor June Caul - A Verbal Update was provided respecting changing Covid regulations, CAO negotiations and upcoming leadership webinars.

Councillor Douglas Judson - No Verbal Update

Councillor John McTaggart - A Verbal Update was provided respecting the Fort Frances Senior Centre, Police Services Board, Museum & Cultural Centre reopening and MAT Committee new signage.

Councillor Rick Wiedenhoeft - No Verbal Update

5. Consent Agenda:

5.1 Request for Extension to Develop (843 Huffman Court)

- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to permit an additional two building seasons for Ms. Bhulasi for her single-family home at 843 Huffman Court.

187 Behan - Hallikas: 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~~, 5.8, 5.9 and 5.10.

- 5.2 Waterfront Walkway Extension - Dr. L. Jenks letter
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to bring forth these considerations during the mill planning exercise and to receive the letter from Dr. Jenks with thanks.
- 5.3 Sunny Cove Hydro Easement Request from R. Avis
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to approve the easement request subject to the route amendment and conditions outlined in this report.
- 5.4 Award Tender 21-PD-10 - Demolition of the Mowat Nursing Station (420 Mowat Avenue)
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to award Tender 21-PD-10 to Canadian National Demolition at the cost of \$34,400.00 plus the Town's portion of HST subject to the condition that reception of the 5% bid deposit is collected.
- 5.5 Ice In Date 2021
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to plan for ice in beginning in the middle of August, if demand warrants.
- 5.6 Fort Frances Senior Centre Name Change
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to move forward with the name change recommendations.

This item was pulled by Councillor McTaggart. A brief discussion took place. Council agreed to send this item back to committee for additional input.

- 5.7 Request to Relocate Truck Route
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee to keep the truck route designation on Front Street as an alternate route to Scott Street and to accept the information relating to the construction of a by-pass as information only with no additional action needed.

This item was pulled by Councillor Judson. A brief discussion took place.

- 5.8 Award Tender 21-OF-11 - Memorial Sports Centre Concrete Works
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee to award Tender 21-OF-11 to Tom Jones Corporation for a total tender price of \$151,000 including a \$15,000 contingency allowance plus applicable taxes and further that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the corporation.
- 5.9 Application for Funding for Airport Improvements under the NOHFC Community Enhancement Fund
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee that the Town of Fort Frances commit to covering any cost overages relating to the Airport Improvement Project submitted to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Community Enhancement Fund.
- 5.10 Unbudgeted Emergency Replacement of the Firehall Roof Top AC Unit
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee that the costs associated with the emergency unbudgeted replacement of the failed Firehall Roof Top unit be taken out of Corporate Building Reserve Fund.

6. Operations and Facilities Division:

- 6.1 A Verbal Update on Capital Projects was provided by T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities.
- 6.2 Award of Tender 21-OF-09 - Trenchless Watermain Relining
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of Administration to award Tender 21-OF-09 to FerPal Construction Ltd. for a total tender price of \$256,375.00 plus applicable taxes, and further that the budget shortfall be funded from the Water and Sewer Reserve Fund.
- 6.3 Award of Tender 21-OF-13 for MHSW Services to host Household Hazardous Waste Event in Fort Frances
- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of Administration to award Tender 21-OF-13 to the Miller Group out of Winnipeg for the Town's 2021 MHSW service provider at an estimated cost of \$28,059.88 (includes HST) in accordance with the tender documents and further that the Town's MHSW event day is scheduled for Saturday September 11, 2021 from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

7. General:

- 7.1 A Covid-19 Update was provided by Mayor Caul.
- 7.2 Recommendation from Economic Development Executive Committee re: Heart of Canada Touring Route
- approval of resolution designating Rainy River Future Development Corp. (RRFDC) to represent the Town of Fort Frances at the Steering Committee developed for the Heart of Canada Touring Route, with costs incurred not to exceed \$3000.00 for the remainder of 2021.

8. Information:

The following seven items were received.

- 8.1 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Project Summary
- 8.2 June 2021 - By-law Statistics
- 8.3 June 2021 Building Statistics
- 8.4 Phair Avenue Park Redevelopment
- 8.5 Fort Frances Wastewater Treatment Facility May 2021 Monthly Report
- 8.6 Sewer and Water Data for 2021 - updated June 29, 2021
- 8.7 Airport Statistics as of June 30, 2021

9. ADJOURNMENT

- 9.1 The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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

CARRIED

R. Wiedenhoef, Chairperson

E. Slomke, Clerk