

REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE

January 24, 2022

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of Council was held virtually in the Committee Room on January 24, 2022.

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

REGRETS: Councillor D. Judson

ALSO PRESENT: F. Anwar, CAO, G. Lecuyer Clerk, K. Haney, Deputy Clerk. D. Galusha, Treasurer, C. Vangel, Chief Building Inspector/Municipal Planner, T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities, A. Bisson, Recreation & Culture Manager, T. Moffit, Fire Chief, J. Hughes, IT Manager, Alyssa Hansma, HR Manager

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

1.1 Chair Behan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

There were no disclosures

3. Delegations / Deputations:

There were no delegations or deputations.

4. Council Reports on Board & Committee Activity:

4.1 **Mayor Caul** - Verbal Update - Mayor Caul did not provide an update.

Councillor Behan provided a verbal update relating to the Rainy River District Municipal Association annual general meeting, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor Brunetta - Verbal Update relating to the Northwestern Unit Board of Health, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and the deputations attended, the physician recruitment retention committee, the Rainy River District Municipal Association.

Councillor Hallikas - Verbal Update relating to the DSSAB board meeting attended the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), the Fort Frances Public Library Board meeting.

5. Consent Agenda:

5.1 Memorial Sports Centre Ice Plant Efficiency Study

5.2 Contribution agreement with the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario

5.3 Renewal of Enterprise Annual Lease

5.4 Tax Incentives

206 Hallikas - 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 Memorial Sports Centre Ice Plant Efficiency Study: approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations and Facilities Executive Committee that the report dated December 17th, 2021 from Stantec on the Fort Frances Memorial Sports Complex Ice Plant Study be received and further that Council direct Administration to monitor funding programs for future opportunities to fund the consolidation of the Ice plants in accordance with this report

5.2 Contribution agreement with the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario: approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations and Facilities Executive Committee to enter into a contribution agreement with the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario and further that a by-law be prepared authorizing Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the corporation.

5.3 Renewal of Enterprise Annual Lease: approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Operations and Facilities Executive Committee that:
1) That the lease agreements with Enterprise Rent-A-Car Canada Limited be executed.
2) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the lease agreements on behalf of the Corporation.

5.4 Tax Incentives: approval of this report will agree with the recommendation of the Economic Development Executive Committee that Council endorses the report and proceeds to meet with the Government of Ontario to negotiate

CARRIED

6. Administration and Finance Division:

6.1 Annual Citizen of the Year

- approval of this report will endorse the Citizen of the Year Committee's recommendation to amend the Citizen of the Year Terms of Reference which will allow the Committee the right to nominate eligible individuals for the Citizen of the Year should no eligible public nominations be received. There was no discussion. The motion will be presented for Council's consideration at the Regular Council Meeting following this session

6.2 Contribution Agreement – Fort Frances Community Microgrid Feasibility Study

- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation from the CAO to enter into a contribution agreement with the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario for funding relating to Fort Frances Community Microgrid Feasibility Study and that a by-law be prepared authorizing the agreement to be signed by Mayor and Clerk. There was no discussion. The motion will be presented for Council's consideration at the Regular Council Meeting following this session

6.3 Informational Report: Update on the Fire Rescue Services

- that the report submitted by the Fire Chief dated January 5, 2022 relating to an update on the fire rescue services be received as information. There was no discussion. The motion will be presented for Council's consideration at the Regular Council Meeting following this session

7. Information:

The following six items were received. Council was provided an opportunity for clarification and questions relating to all information items.

7.1 2022 Moffat Family Fund Grant Allocations

7.2 Fort Frances Wastewater Treatment Facility December 2021 Monthly Report

7.3 Airport Statistics 2021

7.5 Sewer and Water Data for 2021

7.6 Tonnage at the Landfill Site - 2021

8. ADJOURNMENT

8.1 The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

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

CARRIED

M. Behan, Chairperson
G. Lecuyer, Clerk