

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 58

NOVEMBER 13, 2012

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 from 7:17 p.m. to 8:18 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor R. Avis, Chairperson; Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, K. Perry, 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 8.3 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 item 7.1 stating that he does consulting work for the subject company. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 3) Councillor J. Albanese on item 8.2 stating that the claim for per diem was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 4) Mayor R. Avis on item 8.1 stating that the claim for travel expense was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter. He turned the Chair over to Councillor J. Albanese while the matter was considered.
2. Verbal communications:
 - 1) Public hearing re: application for tax adjustment under s.357/358. Municipal Act, 2001 re: (2012) 818 Phair Avenue and a lane and part of Shevlin Avenue. No one came forward when invited by Mayor Avis.
 - 2) G. Gillon, Regional Economic Developer, Rainy River Future Development Corporation reported on enhanced services provided to the Town from July 1 to September 30, 2012.
 - 3) Tannis Drysdale, consultant reported on the Go Local/Shop Local initiative in Town.
 - 4) M. McCaig, CAO reported on the progress being made on the objectives set by the current Strategic Plan adopted by Council.
3. Written communications as per the agenda attached.
4. Non agenda item:
 - 1) Mayor Avis re: appreciation for C. Lewis, OPP Commissioner for participating at the Hats Off to Seniors Gala on November 16th.
5. Resolutions
 - 770 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: 357/358 Application for Tax Adjustment (2012) re: 818 Phair Ave and Lane & Part of Shevlin Ave be approved. CARRIED

- 771 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the Fort Frances Economic Development Activity Report for the period July 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012 from G. Gillon, Regional Economic Developer, Rainy River Future Development Corporation be received and further that RRFDC invoice #013-07-2012 for services to Fort Frances between July 1, 2012 and September 30, 2012 in the amount of \$19,956.50 be approved. CARRIED
- 772 Ryan-Hallikas: That the presentation from T. Drysdale re Go Local Month be received and further that November be proclaimed “Go Local Month” in the Town of Fort Frances. CARRIED
- 773 Hallikas-Ryan: That the report dated November 9, 2012 from M. McCaig, CAO re: Town of Fort Frances Strategic Plan Progress Report be received. CARRIED
- 774 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the following Consent items be approved:
- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 7.3, 7.6, 7.7 and 7.8
 - 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 3.1
 - 3) Council Consent items # 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, and 3.6. CARRIED
- 7.3 approved making an offer to Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board for the creation of two loading zones along Shevlin Avenue adjacent to the front entrance of Green Manor at the current annual cost of \$353.30 per space.
- 7.6 approved the renewal of an agreement for Information Technology Services with Darryl Allan dba DA IT Consulting Services effective November 1, 2012.
- 7.7 approved a 2.5% rental increase for the residential property located at 501 Sixth Street West and further directed that a lease agreement with J. Peterson be approved for the period March 1, 2013 to February 28, 2014.
- 7.8 approved the Pacific Western debenture transfer as provided in the Notice of Acknowledge of Assignment to Wells Fargo Equipment Finance Company.
- 3.3 proclaimed November 16, 2012 as “Louis Riel Day” in the Town of Fort Frances.
- 3.4 referred a joint request from Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT) and Assisted Living Group (ALAG) re: Identifying potential building sites for use as an Assisted Living facility to Planning and
- 3.5 supported a memo and resolution from the City of Thunder Bay re: Station as requested by Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association.
- 3.6 referred the resolution passed November 5, 2012 from Economic Development Advisory Committee re: Tourist Information Centre to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 775 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the minutes of the Council meetings being Sessions No. 56 and 57 dated October 22 and 30, 2012 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 776 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meetings being Sessions No. 71 and 72 dated October 22 and 30, 2012 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED

- 777 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Couchiching First Nations – Outstanding Water & Sewer Accounts be approved. CARRIED
- 778 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That the claim dated September 21, 2012 from Riverside Health Care Facilities Inc. for reimbursement for Burial Expenses for indigent persons under section 25 of the Public Hospitals Act be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 779 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That the report dated November 2, 2012, from G. Treftlin, Town Clerk re: Appointments to Boards and Committees for 2012 - 2014 be received and further that the following be appointed to committees as follows with term of office December 1, 2012 to November 30, 2014:
- Economic Development Advisory Committee: Mark Caron, James Ronard Cumming, Teresa Hazel, John McTaggart, Gary Rogozinski;
- Citizen of the Year Committee: Gord McBride CARRIED
- 780 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That the report dated November 8, 2012, from J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services, re: Applications for appointment to Boards and Advisory Committees in 2012 be received and further that the following be appointed to committees as follows with term of office December 1, 2012 to November 30, 2014:
- Museum and Cultural Centre Advisory Committee: Debbie Ballard, Bruce Caldwell, Judy Anne Kielczewski, Robert Frederick Schulz;
- Sister Betty Kennedy Centre Board of Management: George A. Bell, Irene Margaret Laing, Shirley M. Nault, Alvin “Buzz” Wickstrom, Nick Wihnan;
- Town of Fort Frances Police Services Board: John McTaggart;
- Kiwanis Sunny Cove Camp Advisory Committee: Nicke Baird, Robin Dennis, and representing the Kiwanis Club: John Beaton, Robert Lidkea, and Robert Sletmoen;
- Theatre Management Advisory Committee: Darlyss Krienke. CARRIED
- 781 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That the report dated November 5, 2012, from D. Brown, Manager of Operations and Facilities, re: Appointment to the Traffic Safety Committee be received and further that the following be appointed to the Traffic Safety Committee with term of office December 1, 2012 to November 30, 2014: Kayne Shaw. CARRIED
- 782 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated November 5, 2012 from R. Hallam, Superintendent of Planning and Development re: Request from George Armstrong Company Ltd. re: Purchase of portions of Pit Rd. #2 & Emo Rd. be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: P. Ryan
- 783 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 5, 2012 from R. Hallam, Superintendent Planning and Development re: Fort Frances Community Garden re: Request for the Erection of Fencing and Filling of water tanks be approved and further that the temporary fencing be allowed to remain in place until after the growing season is ended in 2013 conditional on the application of warning reflective tape. CARRIED

- 784 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from D. Brown, Manager of Operations and Facilities re: Lease with CNR for Planting Trees on their property be approved. CARRIED
- 785 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from D. Brown, Manager of Operations and Facilities re: Renewal of OCWA for the Operation and Maintenance of the Sewage Treatment Plant be approved. CARRIED
- 786 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Mayor Roy Avis – Local Government Networking Session be approved. CARRIED
- Disclosure of Interest: R. Avis
- 787 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor John Albanese – Local Government Networking Session be approved. CARRIED
- Disclosure of Interest: J. Albanese
- 788 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated November 7, 2012 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Andrew Hallikas – NOMA Board Meeting be approved. CARRIED
- Disclosure of Interest: A. Hallikas
- 789 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: That the application for amendment to Zoning By-Law 8/98 (File: 08/98-WW) re: land described as Part of Block C, Plan SM-112 be referred to the Municipal Planner for processing. CARRIED
- 790 Ryan-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:
- 63/09-A A by-law to approve an amendment to an agreement with the Ontario Ministers of Energy & Infrastructure and Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs for financing under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund
- 28/12 A by-law to authorize a funding agreement with the Federal Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development for hosting evacuees from the Sandy Lake Reserve
- 42/12 A by-law to approve a service agreement with Darryl Allan for the provision of information technology services
- 43/12 A by-law to approve an agreement with the Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board for Children's Services. CARRIED
- 791 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT By-Law No. 55/10-A being a by-law to approve an amended Memorandum of Understanding with the Fort Frances Public Library Board with respect to 601 Reid Avenue 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
- Yea: R. Avis, J. Albanese, A. Hallikas, P. Ryan and R. Wiedenhoeft
Nay: K. Perry
- 792 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the invitation dated November 6, 2012 from the Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services to Mayor Avis to attend National Housing Day in Dryden on November 28, 2012 be received. CARRIED

- 793 Ryan-Hallikas: That the letter dated November 7, 2012 from Jonathan Glueheisen re bid for Fort Frances to be Hockeyville in 2013 be referred to Community Services Executive Committee for recommendation. CARRIED
- 794 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the joint request dated November 2, 2012 from Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT) and Assisted Living Action Group (ALAG) re: Identifying potential building sites for use as an Assisted Living Facility site be referred to the Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation. CARRIED
- 795 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT in appreciation of the participation of Mr. Chris Lewis, Ontario Provincial Police Commissioner as keynote speaker at the Hats Off to Seniors Gala sponsored by the Seniors and Law Enforcement Together on November 16, 2012, the Town of Fort Frances donate \$200.00 to the Ontario Provincial Police Youth Foundation in support of the OPP North West Region Youth Summer Camp. CARRIED
- 796 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

R. Avis, Chairperson

J. Albanese, Chairperson

G. Treftlin, Clerk