

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 089

OCTOBER 15, 2013

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. to 6:48 p.m.

PRESENT: G. Paul Ryan (chaired 6:30 p.m. to 6:40 p.m. and 6:41 p.m. to 6:48 p.m.), Chairperson; Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, D. Kitowski, K. Perry and R. Wiedenhoeft (chaired 6:40 p.m. to 6:41 p.m.).

ALSO PRESENT: K. Lawson, Deputy 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 P. Ryan on Committee of the Whole meeting agenda 7.5, stating that the travel and per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
  - 2) Councillor A. Hallikas on Committee of the Whole meeting agenda item 7.4, stating that the travel and per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
  - 3) Councillor R. Wiedenhoeft on Committee of the Whole meeting agenda item 7.6, stating that the travel and per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
  - 4) Councillor J. Albanese on Committee of the Whole meeting agenda item 7.3, stating that the travel and per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
2. Verbal Communications:
  - 1) Public Meeting re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment re: 417 Portage Avenue (2013); and 1209 Second Street East (2013). No one came forward to speak to the applications.
  - 2) Councillor J. Albanese re: Reminder about the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Activities planned at the Sister Kennedy Centre during the week of October 21-26, 2013.
3. Written communications as per the agenda attached.
4. Non-agenda items:
  - 1) Invitation from Ontario Provincial Police – Municipal Policing Bureau re: OPP Billing Model Engagement Session in Fort Frances on October 30, 2013.
5. Resolutions
  - 1113 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment re: 417 Portage Avenue (2013) and 1209 Second Street East (2013) be approved.

CARRIED

1114 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the following Consent items be approved:

- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 6.2, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 6.7, 6.8, 6.9, 6.10 and 6.11.
- 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 3.1
- 3) Council Consent items # 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 3.9, 3.10 and 3.11

CARRIED

- 6.2 approved submission of an expression of interest under the second round of Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII) prior to November 1, 2013.
- 6.4 denied a request from J. Kaun, Acting Landlord Skyview Apartments re: Exemption of the \$4.00 per month environmental fee.
- 6.5 approved purchasing 4692 dozen flowers from Lowey's Greenhouse and Market Gardens at a cost of \$11,682.00 plus tax.
- 6.6 approved preparation of a Public Nuisance By-Law.
- 6.7 approved issuance of the Certificate of Final Acceptance by the Environmental Superintendent on behalf of the Town of Fort Frances and release of the balance of security held by Letters of Credit for 1000 King's Highway (Canadian Tire development project - Site Plan Control Agreement).
- 6.8 approved issuance of the Certificate of Final Acceptance by the Environmental Superintendent on behalf of the Town of Fort Frances and release of the balance of security held by Letters of Credit for 840 King's Highway (Boston Pizza development project – Site Plan Control Agreement).
- 6.9 approved maintaining property values at the same level as 2012/2013 for the 2013/2014 term of insurance and request an amended renewal proposal reflecting adjusted values from BFL Canada through Gillons' Insurance Brokers Ltd.
- 6.10 approved individual Responsibility, Health and Safety Orientation and Training, Joint Health and Safety committee and Health and Safety Representative, Physical Demands Analysis Policies.
- 6.11 approved travel expenses from M. McCaig
- 3.3 approved a Break Open Ticket Licence Application from LaVerendrye General Hospital Auxiliary from November 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014 at Sunset Schmiddy's – 256 Scott Street.
- 3.4 referred a request from Bell Canada re: Proposed Grant of Easement to Bell Canada over Lot 3, Williams Avenue, Williams Avenue and Fifth Street East Development to Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.5 referred a financial request from Friends of the Fort Frances Museum re: Wine and Cheese Fundraising Gala to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.6 referred a follow up report from T. Drysdale, Consultant, Rainy River Future Development Corporation re: Community Foundation to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.7 referred a request from United Native Friendship Centre re: Permission to Hold a Clean Up Day to Operations and Facilities Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.8 referred a financial request from Bancroft and Hastings Highlands Disaster Relief Committee re: Fundraising to Assist Those Affected by April 2013 Area Flooding to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.9 proclaimed October 21-27, 2013 as "Waste Reduction Week" in the Town of Fort Frances.

- 3.10 proclaimed November 2013 as “Lung Month” in the Town of Fort Frances.
- 3.11 proclaimed November 16-24, 2013 as “Curling Week” in the Town of Fort Frances.
- 1115 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 88 dated September 23, 2013 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 1116 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meetings being Sessions No. 109 and 110 dated September 23 and October 2, 2013 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 1117 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the letter dated October 7, 2013 from J. McTaggart, Chair Town of Fort Frances Police Services Board re: Provincial Appointment be received. CARRIED
- 1118 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the report dated September 30, 2013 from D. Brown, Manager Operations and Facilities re: 2014 Budget Consideration – Increase Tree Maintenance Services be approved. CARRIED
- 1119 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the report dated September 30, 2013 from D. Brown, Manager Operations and Facilities re: 2014 Budget Consideration – New Sidewalk Extension – West Side – Keating Avenue from J.W. Walker property to First Street Intersection be approved. CARRIED
- 1120 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Mayor Roy Avis –NOMA Regional Conference Travel and Per Diem Claims be approved. CARRIED
- 1121 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Mayor Roy Avis – Economic Development Meeting Expense be approved. CARRIED
- 1122 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor John Albanese – NOMA Regional Conference Travel and Per Diem Claims be approved. CARRIED  
Disclosure of Interest: J. Albanese
- 1123 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the report dated October 3, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Paul Ryan – NOMA Regional Conference Travel and Per Diem Claims be approved. CARRIED  
Disclosure of Interest: P. Ryan
- 1124 Kitowski-Albanese: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Andrew Hallikas – NOMA Regional Conference Travel and Per Diem Claims be approved. CARRIED  
Disclosure of Interest: A. Hallikas
- 1125 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Rick Wiedenhoeft – NOMA Regional Conference Travel and Per Diem Claims be approved. CARRIED  
Disclosure of Interest: R. Wiedenhoeft

- 1126 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the report dated October 9, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Minutes of Settlement – Requests for Reconsideration re: Gas Distribution Lines (2013) be approved. CARRIED
- 1127 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the report dated October 7, 2013 from F. Flatt, Municipal Planner re: Town of Fort Frances Zoning By-Law Update be received. CARRIED
- 1128 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the report dated October 15, 2013 from J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services re: Enabling Accessibility Fund Small Project Component be approved. CARRIED
- 1129 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT By-Law No. 45/13, being a By-Law to Prohibit and Abate Nuisances in the Town of Fort Frances 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
- 1130 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: **WHEREAS**, The Week of October 20 – 26, 2013, will be celebrated in Ontario as Local Government Week, and **WHEREAS**, The municipal order of government performs functions that significantly impact the day-to-day- life of citizens throughout the world, and **WHEREAS**, The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) acknowledge and celebrate the significant role that municipal governments play in helping to define the character, priorities, physical make up and quality of life of communities across Ontario; **NOW THEREFORE**, Council for the Town of Fort Frances does hereby proclaim the week of October 20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013, as Local Government Week in the Municipality of the Town of Fort Frances. CARRIED
- 1131 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the invitation received October 10, 2013 from the Honourable Michael Gravelle, Chair of the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation and Minister of Northern Development and Mines to attend the Minister's NOHFC Reception and Media Announcement on October 17<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in Thunder Bay be received and further that Tannis Drysdale be authorized to attend on behalf of Mayor and Council. CARRIED
- 1132 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the invitation dated October 10, 2013 from Ontario Provincial Police - Municipal Policing Bureau re: OPP Billing Model Engagement Session in Fort Frances, October 30, 2013 at La Place Rendez-Vous be received and further that the following be authorized to attend: Mayor Avis; Mark McCaig, CAO and Laurie Witherspoon, Treasurer. CARRIED
- 1133 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

G.P. Ryan, Chairperson

R. Wiedenhoeft, Chairperson

K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk