

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 088

SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, September 23, 2013 from 6:38 p.m. to 7:37 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor R. Avis, Chairperson; Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, D. Kitowski, K. Perry, G. Paul Ryan and R. Wiedenhoeft.

ALSO PRESENT: M. McCaig, Administrator, K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk; J. Kabel, Manager, Community Services; D. Brown, Manager, Operations & Facilities.

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest on agenda items by members:
 - 1) Councillor G.P. Ryan on Committee of the Whole meeting agenda item 4.2, stating that he is a relative of the proponent. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 2) Councillor A. Hallikas on Committee of the Whole meeting non-agenda item 4.4 (2), stating he is a Director on the Fort Frances Community Clinic Inc. Board of Directors. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 3) Councillor D. Kitowski on Committee of the Whole meeting non-agenda item 4.4 (2), stating he is a Director on the Fort Frances Community Clinic Inc. Board of Directors. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 4) Councillor K. Perry on Committee of the Whole meeting non-agenda item 4.4 (2), stating he is a Director on the Fort Frances Community Clinic Inc. Board of Directors. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
2. Verbal Communications:
 - 1) Public Meeting re: 2014 Budget:

Verbal Presentations were provided by:

 - a) Doug Anderson, Chairperson, The Downtown Business Improvement Area Board of Management re: Demolition of the Derelict Rainy Lake Hotel;
 - b) Lieutenant Dennis Maybury re: the Salvation Army 100th Anniversary Celebrations;
 - c) Sarah Marusyk and Cathy Tysz, Committee Members – Boundary Watters Dragon Boat Club re: Support of the Dragon Boat Festival;
 - d) Mark Caron, President and Kathy Emes, Past President, Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce re: Tourism and Operating Support;
 - e) Merv Ahrens re: Maintenance and Replacement of Town Trees.
 - 2) Written submissions provided by Fort Frances Meals on Wheels re: Financial Support for Meals on Wheels program; Al Christiansen re: Council Consideration of Tennis Courts; Mill Quarter Century Oldtimers Club (Mill QCOC) re: Donation in Support of the Mill's 100th Year of Operation Event; and Fort Frances Traffic Safety Committee re: Budget Request for 2014 – Construction of a Sidewalk on Keating Avenue between J.W. Walker School and First Street West were read aloud by M. McCaig, CAO. Mr. McCaig explained the process for moving the requests forward to the budget process and how all requests are evaluated.

- 3) Mayor Avis thanked presenters for their comments and advised both participants and spectators that the public's input was important and would be taken into consideration during the ongoing budget deliberations.
 - 5) Mayor Avis reminded everyone about the 30th 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.

Resolutions

- 1096 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT the report dated September 17, 2013 from T. Rob, CBO/Facilities Special Projects Coordinator re: Rainy Lake Hotel Property be approved. CARRIED
- 1097 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the request dated September 18, 2013 from The Salvation Army re: The Salvation Army 100th Anniversary Celebrations be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1098 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT the request dated September 17, 2013 from Boundary Waters Dragon Boat Club re: Support of the Annual Dragon Boat Festival be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1099 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the request dated September 18, 2013 from Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce re: Tourism and Operating Support be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1100 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT the verbal request from Merv Ahrens re: Maintenance and Replacement of Town Trees be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1101 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the request dated September 16, 2013 from the Fort Frances Meals on Wheels for financial assistance in the amount of \$19,000.00 in 2013 be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1102 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT the request dated September 15, 2013 from Al Christiansen re: Council Consideration of Tennis Courts be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1103 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the request dated September 23, 2013 from Bill Morrison, Chairman Mill Quarter Century Oldtimers Club (Mill QCOC) re: Donation in Support of the Mill's 100th Year of Operation Event – May 29, 2014 be referred to the 2014 budget process. CARRIED
- 1104 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT the request dated September 20, 2013 from Fort Frances Traffic Safety Committee re: Budget Request for 2014 –
Construction of a Sidewalk on Keating Avenue between J.W. Walker School
and First Street West be referred to the 2014 budget process.
CARRIED
- 1105 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the following Consent items be approved:
- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5 and 6.6.
 - 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 3.1
 - 3) Council Consent items # 3.3.
- CARRIED

- 6.1 approved the August 2013 Drinking Water Systems Monthly Summary Report.
 - 6.2 approved not agreeing to any of the requested amendments to the
Taxi By-Law from 539989 Ontario Limited (North-Air Services).
 - 6.3 approved assigning the name “Huffman Court” to the new cul-de-sac planned for construction within the subdivision on the property
currently known as 850 Williams Avenue.
 - 6.4 approved receiving only the advertising request from
Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame
and Museum re: 32nd Annual
Induction Dinner Souvenir Program.
 - 6.5 approved receiving Minutes of Settlement – Requests for
Reconsideration re: 115 Sixth Street East (2013); 1029 Frenette
Avenue (2013); 720 Fifth Street West (2013); 527 Third Street
West (2013) and 412 Scott Street (2013)
 - 6.6 approved signing Minutes of Settlement for property located at
525 King’s Highway for the 2011 and 2012 taxation years.
 - 3.3 approved proclaiming November 17-24, 2013 as “Restorative
Justice Week 2013” in the Town of Fort Frances, as requested
September 28, 2013 from Restorative Justice Division, Correctional
Service Canada.
- 1106 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 87 dated September 9, 2013 having been typed and distributed be approved.
CARRIED
- 1107 Perry-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Session No. 108 dated September 9, 2013 having been typed and distributed be approved.
CARRIED
- 1108 Albanese-Perry: THAT the report dated September 17, 2013 from T. Rob, CBO/Facilities Special Projects Coordinator re: Rainy Lake Hotel Property be approved.
CARRIED
- 1109 Perry-Albanese: THAT the verbal update from M. McCaig, CAO re: Fort Frances Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation – Articles of Incorporation be received and further that the matter proceed as directed.
CARRIED
- 1110 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the verbal update from M. McCaig, CAO re: Doctor Recruitment Agreement be received and further that the matter proceed as directed.
CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: A. Hallikas; D. Kitowski, K. Perry
- 1111 Albanese-Perry: THAT the verbal update from Mayor R. Avis re: Assessment Issues be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 1112 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed.
CARRIED

R. Avis, Chairperson

K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk