

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 091

NOVEMBER 12, 2013

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 from 7:07 p.m. to 7:35 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: M. McCaig, Administrator, K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk; J. Kabel, Manager, Community Services; D. Brown, Manager, Operations & Facilities; L. Witherspoon, Treasurer, T. Rob, Chief Building Official, Facilities/Special Projects Coordinator (7:07 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.).

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest on agenda items by members:
 - 1) Councillor P. Ryan on Committee of the Whole meeting agenda item 4.6, stating that the proponent is a family member. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
2. Verbal communications
 - 1) T. Drysdale, Consultant RRFDC/EDAC gave a presentation re: Potential Creation of a Community Foundation for Fort Frances (7:07 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.).
2. Written communications as per the agenda attached.
3. Non-agenda items:
 - 1) Mayor Avis – Congratulations and appreciation to Duane Hicks and Museum Staff and Volunteers on the successful evening for Friends of the Fort Frances Museum Fundraiser Gala.
4. Resolutions
 - 1150 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT Council support in principle the creation of a Community Foundation for the Town of Fort Frances. CARRIED
 - 1151 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the joint report received November 7, 2013 from T. Drysdale and S. Darby, EDAC and RRFDC re: Community Foundation be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
 - 1152 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the following Consent items be approved:
 - 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4.
 - 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 3.1
 - 3) Council Consent items # 3.3 CARRIED
 - 6.1 approved purchase of server from Lowery's in the amount of \$1,859.98; Domino software from Microage Thunder Bay in the amount of \$3028.40; Consulting services from Sametime Solutions and DA IT Consulting Services in the amount of \$1,922.00.
 - 6.2 approved receiving only the request from Canadian Union of Postal Workers request re: Support of resolutions for the future of Canada Post.
 - 6.3 approved Minutes of Settlement – Requests for Reconsideration re: Pit Road 2 (2013); 209 Armit Avenue (2013) and 1004 Crowe Avenue (2013).

- 6.4 approved a new Waterworks and Sanitary Sewer Projects Reserve Fund be created as of January 1, 2014; that the Waterworks Projects Reserve Fund balance and Sanitary Sewer Reserve Fund balance as at December 31, 2013 be transferred to the new Waterworks Projects Reserve Fund as of January 1, 2014; and that the Waterworks Projects Reserve Fund and the Sanitary Sewer Reserve Fund be closed upon completion of those transactions.
- 3.3 approved referring the request from the Ward Family re: Waiving Fees for Use of the Townshend Theatre to hold a benefit concert to Administration and Finance Executive Committee with input from Community Services Executive Committee.
- 1153 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 90 dated October 28, 2013 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 1154 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Session No. 112 dated October 28, 2013 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 1155 Perry-Albanese: THAT the potential property acquisition proposal from Northern Superior Structural Solutions be received and further that matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 1156 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 8, 2013 from T. Drysdale, EDAC, RRFDC Consultant re: Potential Land Acquisition be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 1157 Perry-Albanese: THAT the recommendations found in the report dated November 4th, 2013 from C. Ruppenstein, Human Resources Manager on behalf of the Citizen of the Year Committee be approved and further that the following be named as Citizen of the Year for 2013: Jane McLeod and Florence Hill. CARRIED
- 1158 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 6, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Outstanding Taxes be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 1159 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 6, 2013 from F. Flatt, Municipal Planner re: 505 Lillie Avenue – Expression of Interest to Purchase be approved. CARRIED
- 1160 Perry-Albanese: THAT the request dated October 29, 2013 from L. G. Phillips, Barrister and Solicitor re: Potential Sale of Property be referred to the Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation. CARRIED
- 1161 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 5, 2013 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: 2014 User Fee Schedule be approved. CARRIED
- 1162 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 4, 2013 from T. Rob, Chief Building Official, Facilities/Special Projects Coordinator re: Building Permit Fee Proposal in Contemplation for 2014 User Fees be received. CARRIED

1163 Albanese-Perry: THAT the report dated November 4, 2013 from J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services re: 100th Anniversary of the Fort Frances Paper Mill Opening – Sherry George be approved. CARRIED

1164 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated November 5, 2013 from T. Rob, CBO, Facilities/Special Projects Coordinator re: Municipal Support for Feed in Tariff Solar Installations be approved. CARRIED

1165 Perry-Albanese: **WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 3.0.

AND WHEREAS the Northwest District Catholic School Board (the "Applicant") proposes to construct and operate a Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic Project (the "Project") on St. Michael's School – 820 Fifth Street East (the "Lands") in The Town of Fort Frances under the Province's FIT Program;

AND WHEREAS the Applicant has requested that Council of the Town of Fort Frances indicate by resolution Council's support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 3.0, Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Fort Frances supports the construction and operation of the Project on the Lands. CARRIED

1166 Kitowski-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:

49/13 A By-Law to approve a Municipal Insurance Program Renewal Proposal with BFL Canada in partnership with Gillons' Insurance Brokers Ltd. as insurance provider for the period November 1, 2013 to November 1, 2014.

50/13 A By-Law to authorize the sale of Lot 5, Plan SM-122 to abutting landowners on Mowat Avenue and Church Street. CARRIED

1167 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the request dated November 1st, 2013 from The Salvation Army Fort Frances Ministries re: Christmas Kettle Campaign 2013 be received and referred to K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk to arrange Council's participation. CARRIED

1168 Hallikas-Kitowski: THAT the request dated November 7, 2013 from Boundary Waters Dragon Boat Festival/Club re: Boundary Waters Dragon Boat Festival/July 1st Canada Day Celebrations be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves continuing the collaborative partnership it currently assumes with the Boundary Waters Dragon Boat Festival/Club;

AND FURTHER THAT Council supports the Boundary Waters Dragon Boat Festival/Club in its funding submission to Celebrate Ontario.

CARRIED

- 1169 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT the report of the OGRA Nominating Committee dated October 31, 2013 be received. CARRIED
- 1170 Kitowski-Hallikas: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

R. Avis, Chairperson

K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk