

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

MINUTES

SESSION NO. 027

December 14, 2015

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers , Civic Centre on December 14, 2015 from 6:58 p.m. to 8:04 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: M. McCaig, Administrator, E. Slomke, Clerk, D. Galusha, Deputy-Treasurer, D. Brown, Manager of Operations & Facilities, J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services

1. COUNCIL MEETING

(Session No. 027) to immediately follow the Committee of the Whole

1.1 Call to Order at 6:58 p.m.

1.2 Prayer

1.3 Non-agenda items identified to be considered later in this meeting.
- Council agreed to move Item #6.1 from the Committee of the Whole meeting to be considered tonight as Item #2.2 from this Regular Council meeting.

1.4 Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.
Councillor Perry disclosed an interest in Item #9.1 from the Committee of the Whole agenda.

2. Delegations/Deputations:

2.1 An Operational Update was received from Fort Frances Power Corporation - J. Ruppenstein, President & CEO.

355 Ryan - Brunetta: THAT the FFPC Operational Update presented by J. Ruppenstein, President & CEO of the Fort Frances Power Corporation be received.

CARRIED

2.2 Court Services Concerns
- A verbal update was provided by M. McCaig, CAO. Council requested that a letter be sent to the Attorney General regarding this significant matter.

3. Consent Agenda:

3.1 Items Referred from Committee of the Whole

356 Brunetta - Ryan: THAT the following Consent items be approved:

- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7 and 8.8.
- 2) Council Consent items # 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7.

CARRIED

3.2 Letter dated November 18, 2015 from A. Zucchiatti: resignation from Committee of Adjustment.
- received with Thanks.

3.3 E-mail dated November 23, 2015 from the National Eating Disorder Information Centre

(NEDIC): Request proclamation

- will be advised of Council's proclamation.

- 3.4 Invite received December 7, 2015 for the Annual Alzheimer Charitable Dinner on January 30, 2016
- will be referred to the Administration & Finance Executive Committee for recommendation
- 3.5 Letter dated December 7, 2015 from Donna Law, et al, re: Zoning of 1250 Cornwall Ave. N.
- will be referred to the Planning & Development Executive Committee for recommendation
- 3.6 Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame 2016 Membership and Fundraising Campaign.
-will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.7 Financial request dated December 7, 2015 from Fort Frances Border Skating Club re: Sunset country Regional Skating Competition - January 29-31, 2016.
-will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation with input from Community Services Executive Committee.

4. Approval of Council Minutes: *

4.1 Session 026 - November 23, 2015

- 357 Brunetta - Ryan: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 026 dated November 23, 2015 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

5. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes: *

5.1 Sessions 038 and 039 - November 23, 2015 and December 3, 2015

- 358 Ryan - Brunetta: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Session No. 038 and No. 039 dated November 23, 2015 and December 3, 2015 respectively having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

6. Resolutions from tonight's Committee meeting

6.1 Council considered the following resolutions:

- 359 Ryan - Caul: THAT the Letter of Interest dated December 10, 2015 for Front Street Property (Lots 153 and 154) be received and further that the matter proceed as directed.

CARRIED

- 360 Ryan - Caul: THAT the report dated December 10, 2015 from A. Petrin, Human Resources Manager re: Personnel Matter Update be received.

CARRIED

- 361 Caul - Ryan: THAT the Expression of Interest to Purchase Municipal Lands for property located on Third Street West be received and further referred to the Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation.

CARRIED

- 362 Ryan - Caul: THAT the report dated December 7, 2015 from E. Slomke, Town Clerk re:

Request to Purchase Town Property – Industrial Park (Lot 38 and Lot 39) be approved which agrees with the recommendation of the Planning & Development Executive Committee to not sell Lot 38 and Lot 39 (between Sixth Street and Seventh Street).

CARRIED

- 363 Caul - Ryan: THAT the report dated December 9, 2015 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Perry – NOMA Board Meeting Per Diem be approved which agrees to the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to approve the per diem claim in the amount of \$150.00 for his attendance at the NOMA Board Meeting held at the Victoria Inn, Thunder Bay on November 25, 2015.

CARRIED

- 364 Ryan - Caul: THAT the report dated December 7, 2015 from D. Brown, Manager of Operations & Facilities re: Approval of Capital Project for Funding under the MTO Connecting Links Hwy Program be approved which selects the Design and Engineering work for the 1st Rehabilitation of the Mill Road Bridge as the capital project to be submitted to the MTO for funding and further if funding is approved, the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the funding agreements once the appropriate by-law is passed by Council.

CARRIED

7. By-Laws:

- 7.1 -A by-law to approve an agreement with the Minister of Transportation for financing under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program.

- 365 Brunetta - Ryan: 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:

- A by-law to approve an agreement with the Minister of Transportation for financing under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation program.
- A by-law to authorize the execution of a renewal lease agreement with the Minister of Economic Development, Education and Infrastructure for space in the Civic Centre for Ontario Provincial Police services.

CARRIED

- 7.2 -A by-law to authorize the execution of a renewal lease agreement with the Minister of Economic Development, Education and Infrastructure for space in the Civic Centre for Ontario Provincial Police services.

8. New Items:

- 8.1 RRDMA Annual General Meeting - January 30, 2016

- 366 Brunetta - Ryan: THAT the following be authorized to attend the Rainy River District Municipal Association: 25th Annual General Meeting on Saturday January 30, 2016 at the Bergland Hall in Bergland, ON:

-Councillors: Brunetta, Caul, Perry, Kitowski and Ryan

-Mayor Avis

on the basis as follows: Travel expense and per diem allowed

CARRIED

- 8.2 ROMA / OGRA Conference - February 2016.

- 367 Ryan - Brunetta: THAT the following be authorized to attend the 2016 OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference being held at the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto, ON scheduled for February 21-24, 2016:

-Mayor Avis

-Councillors Brunetta and Perry

-M. McCaig, CAO

on the basis as follows: Travel expense and per diem allowed

CARRIED

9. Information Correspondence:

- 9.1 Letter from Charles Sousa, Minister of Finance and Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) program
Received.
- 9.2 Letter from Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation re: Connecting Links Program
Received.
- 9.3 AMO Communication: Various Topics
- Federal Government Announces Plan to Resettle Syrian Refugees
- AMO and UQM to Collaborate on Climate Action
- What Happened at Queen's Park Today
- Highlights of the November 2015 Board Meeting
- POA Default Fees Doubled
- AMO Watch File for December 3, 2015
Received.
- 9.4 Email from Kristen Oliver, Executive Director, Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association re: Spring Bear Hunt Pilot Project
Received.
- 9.5 Letter from Rosario Marchese, Chairperson, Citizen's Coalitions Against Privatization (CCAP) re: Hydro One - Not for Sale!
Received.
- 9.6 Request from The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria: Support request to Province for Auto-Extrication Services
-this was on previous agenda, but did not include attachment
Received.
- 9.7 Resolution as passed November 17, 2015 from Township of Montague re: Bill 100 - Supporting Ontario Trails Act.
Received.
- 9.8 Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame 2016 Nomination Form.
Received.
- 9.9 Notice of Decision dated December 7, 2015 from the Property Standards Appeal Committee re: Application 2015-01 - 1037 Third Street East.
Received.
- 9.10 Notice of Decision dated December 7, 2015 from Committee of Adjustment re: File A8/2015 - 424 First Street East.
Received.

10. Minutes:

- 10.1 Economic Development Advisory Committee - November 2, 2015.
Received.

10.2 Planning & Development Executive Committee - November 16, 2015
Received.

10.3 Community Services Executive Committee - November 16, 2015*.
Received.

10.4 Administration and Finance Executive Committee - November 17, 2015*.
Received.

10.5 Committee of Adjustment - November 23, 2015

11. Non-agenda Items - None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1 The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

368 Brunetta - Ryan: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now
closed.

CARRIED

R. Avis, Mayor

E. Slomke, Clerk