

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

MINUTES

SESSION NO. 034

March 28, 2016

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers , Civic Centre on March 28, 2016 from 6:47 p.m. to 7:14 p.m.

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

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

1. COUNCIL MEETING (Session No. 034)

- 1.1 Call to Order at 6:47 p.m.
- 1.2 Prayer
- 1.3 Non-agenda items identified to be considered later in this meeting - None.
- 1.4 Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.
Councillor Brunetta disclosed an interest in Item 8.1 from the Committee of the Whole agenda as the per diem claim being considered is hers.

2. Delegations/Deputations:

- 2.1 Cathie Sinninghe & Lindsay Strickland (at 6:30 p.m.)
re: Change rooms at the Memorial Sports Centre
A verbal presentation was made.
- 439 Caul - Ryan: THAT the presentation from Cathie Sinninghe and Lindsay Strickland regarding change rooms at the Memorial Sports Centre be received with thanks, and further that the matter be referred to the Community Services Executive Committee for further review and recommendation.

CARRIED

3. Consent Agenda:

- 3.1 Items Referred from Committee of the Whole
- 440 Ryan - Caul: THAT the following Consent items be approved:
 - 1. Committee of the Whole Consent items # 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.6 and 7.7.
 - 2. Council Consent items # 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4.
- 3.2 Letter dated March 11, 2016 from Brian Gustafson, Staff Advisor - FFHS Chem Free Grad Committee
- will be referred to the Administration & Finance Executive Committee for review and recommendation, with input from the Community Services Executive Committee.
- 3.3 Letter dated March 17, 2016 from Nancy Daley-Fulton, Educator & Trainer, Canadian Mental Health Association
- will be advised of Council's proclamation of Mental Health Week (May 2-8, 2016).

CARRIED

- 3.4 Letter dated March 4, 2016 from Stephen Covey & Mike Regimbal, Operation Lifesaver - will be advised of Council's proclamation of Public - Rail Safety Week (April 25-May 1, 2016)

4. Approval of Council Minutes: *

- 4.1 Session No. 033, March 14, 2016

- 441 Ryan - Caul: THAT the minutes of the Council meetings being Session No. 033 dated March 14, 2016 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

5. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes: *

- 5.1 Session Nos. 051 & 052, March 14 & 17, 2016

- 442 Caul - Ryan: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Session Nos. 051 & 052 dated March 14 and March 17, 2016 respectively, having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

6. Resolutions from tonight's Committee meeting

- 6.1 Council considered the following resolutions from tonight's Committee of the Whole meeting:

- Councillor Brunetta disclosed an interest in resolution #443 below as the per diem claim being considered is hers. She did not speak to the matter nor vote on the resolution.

- 443 Albanese - Kitowski: THAT the report dated March 22, 2016 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Brunetta – Essentials of Fire & Emergency Planning be approved as recommended by Administration to approve the per diem claim in the amount of \$150.00 as submitted by Councillor Brunetta for her attendance at the Essentials of Fire & Emergency Planning held in Fort Frances on March 9, 2016.

CARRIED

- 444 Albanese - Brunetta: THAT the report dated March 22, 2016 from P. Briere, By-law Enforcement Officer re: Proposed Fight the Blight Campaign be approved as proposed and further that administration is directed to continue forward with the marketing of this initiative as outlined in the report.

CARRIED

7. By-Laws:

- 7.1 Being a by-law to approve an agreement with Fountain Drilling o/a Mel's Well Drilling awarded through a tender process (Groundwater Well on Airport Property)

- 445 Ryan - Caul: THAT By-Law No. 16/16, being a By-law to approve an agreement with Fountain Drilling o/a Mel's Well Drilling awarded through a tender process 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

8. New Items:

- 8.1 NOMA Annual Conference & AGM - April 27-29, 2016

446 Caul - Ryan: THAT the following be authorized to attend the NOMA Annual Conference & AGM in Thunder Bay on April 27-29, 2016:

-Councillors Caul, Kitowski, Ryan, Brunetta, Perry and Mayor Avis

On the basis as follows: Travel and per diem allowed.

CARRIED

8.2 Rainy River Future Development Corporation - Strategic Planning meeting April 19, 2016 (5-9 p.m.)

447 Ryan - Caul: THAT the following be authorized to attend the Rainy River Future Development Corporation Strategic Planning meeting scheduled for Tuesday April 19, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Copper River Inn:

-Councillors Perry, Brunetta and Caul

On the basis as follows: n/a

CARRIED

9. Information Correspondence:

9.1 AMO Communications

- Message from the Chair of the Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- AMO Watchfile dated March 17th and 24th, 2016
- AMO Policy Update - Province Announces Updated Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy
- AMO Policy Update - 2016 Federal Budget Received.

9.2 Letter dated March 3, 2016 from Madeleine Meilleur, Attorney General re: Retirement of Crown Attorney for the District of Rainy River
Received.

9.3 Letter dated March 4, 2016 from Matt Pegg, President, Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs re: Seminar Offering
Received.

9.4 Letter dated March 15, 2016 from Greg Chapman, District Manager, Fort Frances District MNR re: Inspection of Approved 2016-2017 Annual Work Schedule (Crossroute Forest)
Received.

9.5 Support from Bluewater & Montague for Physician Recruitment
This item was further discussed. Council agreed to consider a resolution of support.

448 Caul - Ryan: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the resolutions passed by other Municipalities which requests that the Minister of Health and Long Term Care reinstate incentives for physicians to practice in rural areas of Ontario; and that the Minister return to the table with Ontario's doctors and work together through mediation-arbitration to reach a fair deal that protects the quality, patient-focused face Ontario's families deserve.

AND THAT copies of this Resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Local MPP's, Federal Minister of Health, Ontario College of Physicians & Surgeons.

CARRIED

10. Minutes:

10.1 Community Services Executive Committee - February 29, 2016 and March 7, 2016
Received.

10.2 Administration & Finance Executive Committee - March 1, 2016
Received.

10.3 Planning & Development Executive Committee - March 7, 2016
Received.

10.4 Fort Frances Museum Advisory Committee - March 21, 2016
Received.

10.5 Operations & Facilities Executive Committee - March 9, 2016
Received.

11. Non-agenda Items - None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1 The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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

CARRIED

K. Perry, Chairperson

E. Slomke, Clerk