

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 007

FEBRUARY 14, 2011

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, February 14, 2011 from 7:10 p.m. to 7:46 p.m.

PRESENT: Acting Mayor S. Tibbs, Chairperson; Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, K. Perry, G. Paul Ryan and R. Wiedenhoeft.

ALSO PRESENT: M. McCaig, Administrator, G. Treftlin, Clerk; G. Bell, Manager, Community Services; D. Brown, Manager, Operations & Facilities; L. Witherspoon, Treasurer.

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest on agenda items by members:
 - 1) Councillor J. Albanese on item #20, stating the per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 2) Councillor P. Ryan on agenda item #23, stating the per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 3) Councillor K. Perry on agenda item #22, stating the per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 4) Councillor R. Wiedenhoeft on agenda item #24, stating the per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 5) Councillor A. Hallikas on agenda item #21, stating the per diem claim was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
2. Written communications as per the agenda attached.
3. Agenda item #58 was deferred to the February 22, 2011 meeting.
4. Resolutions:

067 Ryan-Albanese: THAT the following Consent items be approved:

- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16 and 17
- 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 41.
- 3) Council Consent items # 43,44 and 45.
- 7) approved a transit services agreement with Raincrest Long Term Care for the physically disabled within the Town of Fort Frances.
- 8) approved a second OPP office lease extension and amending agreement with the Minister of Infrastructure.
- 9) approved awarding Tender No. 11-CS-01 – Janitorial Contract OPP/Civic Centre to Nicholson's Janitorial in the amount of \$60,000 plus tax.
- 10) approved ensuring that the existing playground equipment (climber) at the Old Huffman School property be offered to all divisions within the Town of Fort Frances and if the equipment is declared surplus, it be disposed of according to the Procurement Policy.
- 11) approved lease agreements with certain Enterprise Rent-A-Car, North Air Services and Bearskin Lake Air Service LP at the Fort Frances Municipal Airport.
- 12) approved in principle the implementation schedule of the 10 Residential Blue Box strategies; authorized Administration to apply for Waste Diversion Funding under the Continuous Improvement Fund to complete Strategies No. 1 & 10 in 2011; and further approved adjusting the 2011

operating budget to support the implementation of Strategies No. 1 and 10.

- 13) denied a request from Travis and Shanna Weir to waive the installation cost of the replacement of the 1108 Victoria Avenue sanitary sewer line.
 - 14) approved an agreement with DataFix for purposes of utilizing Municipal Voter View software application 2011 thru 2014 at a total cost of \$4,200.00.
 - 15) approved a financial donation to the Fort Frances Curling Club in the amount of \$104.00 re: CAMECO NOCA Senior Provincial Playdowns.
 - 16) received only a advertising request from Community Broadcasting Services re: Holiday Safety Programs.
 - 17) approved renewal of the appointment of BDO Canada LLP as auditor for the term 2011 and 2012 for the provision of audit services.
 - 43) referred a financial request from Economic Development Advisory Committee re: Town of Fort Frances district partnership in the long term purchase of the events tent to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
 - 44) referred additional correspondence from J. Steinke re: Handicapped Parking at Memorial Sports Centre to Community Services Executive Committee for recommendation.
 - 45) referred the financial request from Rainy River Future Development Corporation re: Readerboard at the Border (Gateway Project) to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 068 Albanese-Ryan: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 006 dated January 24, 2011 having been typed and distributed be approved.
CARRIED
- 069 Ryan-Albanese: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meetings being Sessions No. 005 and 006 dated January 24 and February 1, 2011 having been typed and distributed be approved.
CARRIED
- 070 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from C. Ruppenstein, Human Resources Manager re: Signing of Collective Agreement with Fort Frances Professional Fire Fighters Association be approved and further that an authorizing by-law be prepared.
CARRIED
- 071 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from D. Brown, Operations and Facilities re: Report No. 3 – Establishing 2011 Water and Sewer Rates be approved.
CARRIED
Yeast: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas, G. P. Ryan, S. Tibbs, R. Wiedenhoeft
Nay: K. Perry
- 072 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Mayor Roy Avis – RRDMA Travel and Per Diem Claims be approved.
CARRIED
- 073 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor John Albanese – RRDMA Per Diem Claim be approved.
CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: J. Albanese
- 074 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Andrew Hallikas – RRDMA and NOMA Per Diem Claims be approved.
CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: A. Hallikas

- 075 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Ken Perry – RRDMA Per Diem Claim be approved. CARRIED

Disclosure of Interest: K. Perry

- 076 Perry-Hallikas: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Paul Ryan – RRDMA Per Diem Claim be approved. CARRIED

Disclosure of Interest: P. Ryan

- 077 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Councillor Rick Wiedenhoeft – RRDMA Per Diem Claim be approved. CARRIED

Disclosure of Interest: R. Wiedenhoeft

- 078 Ryan-Tibbs: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from G. Bell, Manager Community Services re: OPP – 911 CERB Service Agreement Renewal be approved and further that an authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED

- 079 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from G. Bell, Manager Community Services re: Fire Dispatch Agreement – Kenora Central Ambulance Communication Centre (CACC) be approved and further that an authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED

- 080 Ryan-Perry: Whereas the current level of policing provided under contract in Fort Frances by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has 2.58 police per 1000 population, and

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Whereas statistics show that the average level of policing provided across the nation is 2.0 police per 1000 population, and

Whereas the cost of providing policing under contract with the OPP has escalated significantly over the past number of years, and

Whereas Council considers it fiscally responsible to explore all means of providing services including policing services at the most affordable cost to the taxpayers,

Now Therefore Council hereby resolves that the Fort Frances Police Services Board be called upon to explain why the level of policing in Fort Frances cannot be adequately provided at the level of the average national level being 2.0 police per 1000 of population. CARRIED

- 081 Hallikas-Ryan: That the Treasurer be directed to contact the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to obtain information on the amount that is to be credited in 2011 to Rainy River District municipalities as result of the uploading of social assistance benefit program costs to Ontario arising from the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal and Service Delivery Review. CARRIED

- 082 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated February 9, 2011 from G. Bell, Manager Community Services re: Town of Fort Frances Sustainability Plan be approved. CARRIED

- 083 Ryan-Albanese: 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:
- 10/03-T A By-Law to amend Town of Fort Frances By-Law 10/03, the Traffic Control By-Law.
- 04/11 A By-Law to authorize a lease with respect to certain municipal property at 501 Sixth Street West.
- 05/11 A By-Law to authorize execution of a renewal lease agreement with the Ontario Realty Corporation for space in the Civic Centre for Ontario Provincial Police services.
- 06/11 A By-Law to authorize an agreement for the provision of a public transportation system for the physically disabled within the Town of Fort Frances.
- 07/11 A By-Law to approve a contract with Lakeside Process Controls Ltd. for support services re: Emerson Process Management Control System installed at the Waste Water and Water Treatment Plants.
- 08/11 A By-Law to approve an agreement with DataFix for web hosting services for purposes of Municipal VoterView.
- 09/11 A By-Law to authorize the entering into of certain lease agreements at the Fort Frances Municipal Airport. CARRIED
- 084 Albanese-Ryan: THAT the concept of a District Wide Strategic Plan partnership as set out in a letter dated January 28, 2011 from Rainy River Future Development Corporation Board member Gord Armstrong be supported in principle. CARRIED
- 085 Ryan-Albanese: THAT the request received February 2, 2011 from Northern Community Development Services Transition Centre for a letter of support re: Continued Provision of Services and Programs by NCDS Career Works be approved. CARRIED
- 086 Ryan-Albanese: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

S. Tibbs, Chairperson

G. Treftlin, Clerk