

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 018

JUNE 27, 2011

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, June 27, 2011 from 6:47 p.m. to 7:20 p.m. and 7:36 p.m. to 8:05 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor R. Avis, (chaired 6:47 p.m. to 7:20 p.m., 7:36 p.m. to 7:42 p.m. and 7:43 p.m. to 8:05 p.m.); Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, K. Perry, G. Paul Ryan, S. Tibbs (chaired 7:42 p.m. to 7:43 p.m.) and R. Wiedenhoeft.

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

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest on agenda items by members:
 - 1) Councillor A. Hallikas on item 27, stating that the claim for travel expense and per diem was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 2) Councillor P. Ryan on item 28, stating that the claim for travel expense and per diem was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 3) Councillor R. Wiedenhoeft on item 12, stating that his son is a member of the volunteer fire fighters. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 4) Mayor R. Avis on item 26, stating that the purchase card expense was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter. He turned the chair over to Deputy Mayor S. Tibbs while the matter was considered.
2. Verbal communications:
 - 1) Public meeting re: application for Tax Adjustment under S. 357/358 Municipal Act, 2001. No one came forward to speak when invited by the Mayor.
 - 2) Mayor Avis presented Moffat Family Grant Awards to representatives of Salvation Army, 908 Air Cadets, Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen, Friends of the Little League, Family and Children Services, United Native Friendship Centre (re: community garden program), Sunny Cove Camp project and Fort Frances Highlanders.
 - 3) J. Ruppenstein, President and CEO, Fort Frances Power Corporation presented information on the Time-of-Use Rates being implemented in July for residential users of electricity.
 - 4) R. Thoms, Chair Canada Day Celebrations Committee updated Council on the activities being planned for Canada Day.
3. Written communications as per the agenda attached.
4. Non agenda items -
 - 1) By-Law No. 10/03-V.
 - 2) Update by Councillor R. Wiedenhoeft on the International Tug 'O War Event.

- 3) D. Brown – public service announcement on the electronic waste collection event being staged at Memorial Sports Centre during the Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship.

5. Resolutions:

- 224 Tibbs-Hallikas: THAT the report dated June 21, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment re: 655 Second Street East (2010 and 2011) be approved. CARRIED

- 225 Hallikas-Tibbs: THAT the following Consent items be approved:

- 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 11,13,14,16,17,18,19,20,21,22, 23 and 24.
- 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 49.
- 3) Council Consent items # 51. CARRIED
- 11) approved entering into partnership agreements with Rainy River District School Board and Northwest Catholic District School Board for operation of extended day daycare programs at St. Michaels and Robert Moore Schools.
- 13) approved continued investigation into the plastic bag recycling issue through the use of a grant application to Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO), and forwarding all findings and recommendations to the Township of Emo.
- 14) denied a request from Evangelical Church re: Calendar Parking exemptions.
- 16) approved May 2011 Drinking Water systems Monthly Summary Report.
- 17) approved certain amendments to Taxi By-Law 57/05 to remove the colour of vehicle restriction, denied requests re: annual vehicle safety inspections, business licensing and individual business licenses per operator.
- 18) approved a by-law to deem Lots 3 & 4, SM 44 (1107 Second St. E.)
- 19) approved amending By-Law 41/10 to authorize a six month extension to the Option to Purchase from SkyPower Limited.
- 20) denied a request from Thunder Bay Truck Centre to purchase Part 3 on Plan 48R-3747 and to authorize Clerk to prepare a by-law to establish the property as an unopened road allowance.
- 21) approved entering into the 2011 Bear Response Agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources.
- 22) authorized the annual review and endorsement of the Town of Fort Frances Occupational Health and Safety Policy.
- 23) approved the new Workplace Violence and Harassment Policy, revised Workplace Violence Procedure and Workplace Violence Prevention Program.
- 24) approved acceptance of the Child Care Service Auditor's Report on Compliance with Agreement for the year ended December 31, 2010 and payment for audited services with BDO Canada LLP.

- 226 Tibbs-Hallikas: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 17 dated June 6, 2011 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED

- 227 Tibbs-Hallikas: THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Sessions No. 22 and 23 dated June 6 and 16, 2011 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED

- 228 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated June 23, 2011 from F. Flatt, Municipal Planner re: Expression of Interest to Purchase (KJ Refrigeration) – Lot 26, Plan 48M-353 (Part of Roll # 1-4-118) be approved and further that all appropriate documentation and authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED
- 229 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the Expression of Interest – Old Library Building submitted April 2011 by Community Clinic Inc. be received and that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 230 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the correspondence dated June 16, 2011 from Derksen Professional Corporation re: Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board be received and that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 231 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the facsimile correspondence re: Multiplicities of Litigation dated June 21, 2011 from Derksen Professional Corporation be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 232 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the proposal dated April 28, 2011 from Agency One Bands re: Park Issue be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 233 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated June 22, 2011 from G. Bell, Manager Community Services re: Volunteer Firefighter Reimbursement be approved and further that an authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED
- 234 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated June 13, 2011 from D. Brown, Manager Operations and Facilities re: Adjustment to Westerly Limit of Approved Community Safety Zone be approved. CARRIED
- 235 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated June 22, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Request to FFPC re: Solar Panel Project Financing be approved. CARRIED
- 236 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the report dated June 21, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Mayor Roy Avis – Purchase Card Expense be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: R. Avis
- 237 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated June 21, 2011 from D. Scofield, Deputy-Treasurer re: Councillor Andrew Hallikas – Think North II – NWO Joint Task Force – Regional Economic Development be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: A. Hallikas
- 238 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the report dated June 21, 2011 from D. Scofield re: Councillor Paul Ryan - Think North II – NWO Joint Task Force – Regional Economic Development be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: G. P. Ryan
- 239 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated June 22, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Special Committee of the Whole Meeting – Per Diem be approved. CARRIED
- 240 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT the report dated June 23, 2011 from G. Bell, Manager Community Services re: Museum and Cultural Centre Operating Grant be approved. CARRIED

- 241 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT the report dated June 23, 2011 from D. Brown, Manager Operations and Facilities re: Award Tender 11-OF-09 – 2011 Roadway Reconstruction and Watermain Improvements – Third Street East, Osborne Street, Sixth Street East, Eighth Street West and Proposed Easement (Church to Nelson) be approved and further that an authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED
- 242 Tibbs-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:
- 41/11 A by-Law to deem Lots 3 and 4 on Plan SM-44 to no longer be lots on a registered plan of subdivision (1107 Second Street East).
- 42/11 A By-Law to authorize a license agreement for purposes of utilization of the Town's geospatial data with Neegan Burnside Limited. CARRIED
- 243 Hallikas-Tibbs: THAT the request from Councillor G. Armstrong, Town of Rainy River re: District Strategic Planning be received and further that the matter proceed as directed. CARRIED
- 244 Albanese-Wiedenhoeft: THAT By-Law 10/03-V, being a By-Law to amend By-Law 10/03, (the Traffic Control By-Law) to lengthen the Community Safety Zone 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
- 245 Wiedenhoeft-Albanese: THAT since Council contributes financially each year to the celebration of Canada Day in the Town of Fort Frances and in so doing sponsors the staging of certain events on Canada Day including the erection and maintenance of the large tent owned by Rainy River Future Development Corporation, Council hereby acknowledges the coordinating efforts of the Canada Day Celebrations Committee as though it were a committee of Council. CARRIED
- 246 Tibbs-Hallikas: THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

R. Avis, Chairperson

S. Tibbs, Chairperson

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