

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

MINUTES

SESSION NO. 071

September 25, 2017

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers , Civic Centre on September 25, 2017 from 6:45 p.m. to 7:29 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: D. Brown, CAO, E. Slomke, Clerk, L. Lindberg, Treasurer, D. Galusha, Deputy Treasurer, T. Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities

1. COUNCIL MEETING

(Session No. 071)

1.1 Call to Order at 6:45 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 expense claim being considered is hers.
Councillor Caul disclosed an interest in Item 8.2 from the Committee of the Whole agenda as the travel expense claim being considered is hers.

2. Delegations/Deputations:

2.1 Public Meeting re: 2018 Budget Presentations:

Verbal Presentations:

1) Cynthia Donald on behalf of the Fun in the Sun Committee expenses

Written Submissions Received.

1) March 2018 Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) Provincial High School Curling Championships.

2) Road Upgrade Request -Elizabeth St. W. and York Av. N. (Fifth St. W. to Sixth St. W.)

3) Fort Frances Museum Advisory Committee - Full Time Museum Assistant.

4) Fun in the Sun Canada Day Committee (Fireworks) - 2018 Funding Request.

900 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the Budget Request received September 25, 2017 from Cynthia Donald, FITS Committee re: Fun in the Sun Expenses be received and referred to the 2018 Budget Process.

CARRIED

901 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the Budget Request received September 14, 2017 from R. Wiedenhoeft, Committee Member, OFSAA Organizing Committee re: financial request to support 2018 Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association (OFSAA) Provincial High School Curling Championships be received and referred to the 2018 Budget Process.

CARRIED

902 Albanese - Brunetta: THAT the Budget Request received September 19, 2017 from A. Marchuk, Elizabeth Street Resident re: Road Upgrade Request be received and referred to the 2018 Budget Process.

CARRIED

- 903 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the Budget Request received September 21, 2017 from the Fort Frances Museum Advisory Committee re: Full Time Museum Assistant be received and referred to the 2018 Budget Process.

CARRIED

- 904 Albanese - Brunetta: THAT the Budget Request received September 21, 2017 from D. Coats, Fun in the Sun Committee re: Canada Day Funding Request be received and referred to the 2018 Budget Process.

CARRIED

2.2 Presentation of Canada 150 Volunteer Pins/Certificates.

- 2.3 Public Meeting re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment re: 333 Third Street West (2017) and 335 Third Street West (2017).

- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation from the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2017 taxes under Section 357/358 of the Municipal Act for property located at 333 Third Street West resulting from house demolition and 335 Third Street West resulting from house demolition.

- 905 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the report dated September 19, 2017 from L. Lindberg, Treasurer re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment (333 Third Street West and 335 Third Street West) be approved to agree with the recommendation from the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2017 taxes under Section 357/358 of the Municipal Act for property located at 333 Third Street West resulting from house demolition and 335 Third Street West resulting from house demolition.

CARRIED

- 2.4 Public Meeting re : 357/358 Application for Tax Adjustment re: 602 Fourth Street West (2016).

- approval of this report will agree with the recommendation from the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2016 taxes under Section 357/358 of the Municipal Act for property located at 602 Fourth Street West resulting from house demolition/razed by fire.

- 906 Albanese - Brunetta: THAT the report dated September 19, 2017 from L. Lindberg, Treasurer re: 357/358 Application for Tax Adjustment (602 Fourth Street West) be approved to agree with the recommendation from the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2016 taxes under Section 357/358 of the Municipal Act for property located at 602 Fourth Street West resulting from house demolition/razed by fire.

CARRIED

- 2.5 Public Meeting to hear representations regarding Stop Up, Close and Selling of portion of Flinders Avenue to Northwest Catholic District School Board

- Mayor Avis opened the floor to anyone wishing to speak. No one spoke.

- 907 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the municipal property described as Flinders Avenue (from the northerly line of Third Street West to the southerly line of Fourth Street West) as depicted on the attached diagram, be declared surplus to the needs and requirements of the municipality; be advertised once in a daily or weekly newspaper; and be listed on an agenda of a regular meeting of Council to satisfy notice requirements; and be disposed of by direct sale.

CARRIED

3. Consent Agenda:

- 3.1 Items Referred from Committee of the Whole

908 Brunetta - Albanese: 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 item # 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7.

CARRIED

- 3.2 Request dated September 8, 2017 from Royal Canadian Legion, Fort Frances Branch 29 re: Proclaiming September 17th to 23rd, 2017 as "National Legion Week" in the Town of Fort Frances.
- requester will be advised of Council's proclamation.
- 3.3 Request dated September 8, 2017 from Royal Canadian Legion, Fort Frances Branch 29 re: Safety and Maintenance Concerns for the alley beside the Legion building at 250 Church Street.
- request will be referred to Operations and Facilities Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.4 Request dated September 20, 2017 from Royal Canadian Legion Branch 29 re: Safety upgrades to the existing crosswalk in front of the Fort Frances Legion - 250 Church Street.
- request will be referred to the Operations and Facilities Executive Committee for recommendation with input from the Traffic Safety Committee.
- 3.5 Letter dated September 7, 2017 from L. Tennant re: Need for additional multi-residential lots in Fort Frances.
- will be referred to Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 3.6 Joint request dated August 31, 2017 from Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care (OCBCC) and Canadian Union of Public Employees, Ontario Division (CUPE) re: Proclaiming October 25th, 2017 as "17th Annual Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day" in the Town of Fort Frances.
- requester will be advised of Council's proclamation.
- 3.7 Request dated September 14th, 2017 from Tom Veert Contracting Ltd. re: Supply and Installation of Street Lighting on 8th Street.
- request will be referred to Operations and Facilities Executive Committee for recommendation.

4. Approval of Council Minutes: *

- 4.1 Session No. 070 dated September 11, 2017.

909 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the minutes of the Council meeting being Session No. 070 dated September 11, 2017 having been typed and distributed be approved.

CARRIED

5. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes: *

- 5.1 Session No. 098 dated September 11, 2017.

910 Albanese - Brunetta: THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole of Council meeting being Session No. 098 dated September 11, 2017 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 913 below as the expense claim being considered is hers. She did not vote on the matter.

Councillor Caul disclosed an interest in resolution 914 below as the travel expense claim being considered is hers. She did not vote on the matter.

- 911 Brunetta - Albanese: THAT the letter of resignation dated September 25, 2017 from Aaron Petrin from the position of Human Resources Manager be received with appreciation for service.

CARRIED

- 912 Ryan - Kitowski: THAT the report dated September 21, 2017 from A. Petrin, Human Resources Manager re: Accessibility Plan be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to approve the Town's 2017 Accessibility Plan as attached, and to revise the Town's Multi-Year Accessibility Plan as attached

CARRIED

- 913 Kitowski - Ryan: THAT the report dated September 18, 2017 from D. Galusha, Deputy Treasurer re: Councillor Brunetta – FF Sports Hall of Fame Reimbursement be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the expense claim in the amount of \$70.00 as submitted by Councillor Wendy Brunetta for her attendance at the Fort Frances Sports Hall of Fame Second Induction Ceremonies.

CARRIED

- 914 Ryan - Kitowski: THAT the report dated September 14, 2017 from D. Galusha, Deputy Treasurer re: Councillor Caul AMO Conference Travel Expense be approved to agree with the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the travel expense claim in the total amount of \$848.32 as submitted by Councillor June Caul for her attendance at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference held in Ottawa - August 12th - 17th, 2017.

CARRIED

- 915 Kitowski - Ryan: THAT the report dated September 14, 2017 from D. Galusha, Deputy Treasurer re: Pitney Bowes Lease Agreement be approved to agree with the recommendation from Administration to renew the lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for an additional 60-month term on the mailing machine located at the Civic Centre.

CARRIED

- 916 Ryan - Kitowski: THAT the report dated September 19, 2017 from J. Kabel, Manager of Community Services be approved which will ensure that the 44 obsolete items outlined in the report be declared surplus and disposed of as outlined in the report.

CARRIED

7. By-Laws:

- 7.1 Being a by-law to approve an easement agreement with the Township of Alberton.

- 917 Brunetta - 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:

- 44/17, being a by-law to approve an easement agreement with the Township of Alberton,
- 45/17, being a by-law to approve an agreement with Nortrax Canada Inc. for the purchase of a Wheeled Excavator through a public tender process.

CARRIED

- 7.2 Being a by-law to approve an agreement with Nortrax Canada Inc. for the purchase of a Wheeled Excavator through a public tender process.

8. New Items:

- 8.1 A Verbal Update re: 30th Annual Citizen of the Year Award was provided by E. Slomke, Clerk.

9. Information Correspondence:

- 9.1 Correspondence dated August 18th and September 12th, 2017 from the Hon. Kathryn McGarry, Minister of Natural Resources & Forestry; Hon. Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation and Ministry of Finance Parliamentary Assistant Yvan Baker, MPP re: Town of Fort Frances delegation meetings at the 2017 AMO Conference in Ottawa. Received.
- 9.2 Association of Municipality of Ontario Communications:
September 8, 2017 Communication re: Ontario Announces Cannabis Control Board to Retail Cannabis Products and its Provincial Cannabis Framework; and AMO Watch Files dated September 7, September 14, and September 21, 2017. Received.
- 9.3 E-mail dated September 13th, 2017 from Hon. Yasir Naqvi, Attorney General re: Introduction of the Representation Statute Law Amendment Act, 2017. Received.
- 9.4 Resolution passed September 6, 2017 from the Township of South Stormont in support of a resolution by the Municipality of Killarney re: Proposed Changes to Bill 68 pertaining to out of court payments.
-This item was pulled by Councillor Perry. Council agreed to refer this item to the Administration & Finance Executive Committee for further consideration.
- 9.5 Resolution as passed September 6th, 2017 from the Town of Blue Mountain not supporting the resolution of the Municipality of Marmora & Lake and the Municipality of Bluewater recommending removal of the tax exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials should be applied to elected officials at all levels of government. Received.

10. Minutes:

- 10.1 Administration and Finance Executive Committee dated September 5th, 2017*. Received.
- 10.2 Community Services Executive Committee dated September 5th, 2017*. Received.

11. Non-agenda Items - None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

- 12.1 The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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

CARRIED

R. Avis, Mayor

E. Slomke, Clerk