

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

COUNCIL MINUTES

SESSION NO. 034

December 19, 2011

The meeting of Council of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, December 19, 2011 from 6:03 p.m. to 6:32 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor R. Avis, (chaired 6:03 p.m. to 6:19 p.m. and 6:20 p.m. to 6:32 p.m.); Councillors J. Albanese, A Hallikas, K. Perry, G. Paul Ryan, S. Tibbs (chaired 6:19 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.) and R. Wiedenhoeft.

ALSO PRESENT: M. McCaig, Administrator, K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk; G. Bell, Manager, Community Services; D. Brown, Manager, Operations & Facilities; L. Witherspoon, Treasurer; R. Hallam, Superintendent Planning and Development, F. Flatt, Municipal Planner.

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest on agenda items by members:
 - 1) Mayor R. Avis on item 8.1 Committee of the Whole Agenda stating that the expense claim for cell phone charger was his. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
 - 2) Councillor R. Wiedenhoeft on item 4.1 in camera being a report by C. Ruppenstein, Human Resources Manager re: Collective Agreement with CUPE and Management Non-Union Staff Group stating his son is a member of the CUPE bargaining unit. He did not participate in any discussion of nor vote on the matter.
2. Verbal Communications:
 - 1) G. Watson, Chair, Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship Committee presented a financial and in-kind request re: 2012 Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship.
 - 2) Public meeting re: applications under sections 357/358 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for tax adjustment re: 1233 Idylwild Drive. No one came forward to speak to the applications when invited by Mayor Avis.
3. Written communications as per the agenda attached.

Resolutions:

- 421 Albanese-Perry: THAT the request dated December 15, 2011 from Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship re: Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship (July 26-28th, 2012) be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation with input from all other Executive Committees.
CARRIED
- 422 Perry-Albanese: THAT the report dated December 1, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment re: 1233 Idylwild Drive (2009 and 2010) be approved.
CARRIED
- 423 Albanese-Perry: THAT the following Consent items be approved:
 - 1) Committee of the Whole Consent items # 7.1, 7.3 7.4, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7 and 7.8.
 - 2) Council Consent Summary Report # 3.1
 - 3) Council Consent items # 3.3.
CARRIED
 - 7.1 approved awarding Tender No. 11-OF-14 re: Supply of backhoe loader and trade-in of a 1994 backhoe loader to Nortrax Equipment at a net cost of \$73,210.21.
 - 7.3 approved the 2011/2012 per capita financial request from Safe Communities Rainy River District in the amount of \$4,051.50.

- 7.4 approved purchase card expenses for M. McCaig, CAO.
 - 7.5 authorized a payment in the amount of \$60.00 re: Membership Fee for the Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.
 - 7.6 approved donating the proceeds from the 2011 OPP Annual Auction in the amount of \$2,179.06 to Community Policing Committee for Youth Safety Initiatives in the Town of Fort Frances.
 - 7.7 authorized preparation of a by-law for temporary borrowing in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 to meet 2012 expenditures.
 - 7.8 received an invitation to join the Emergency Services Steering Committee (ESSC).
 - 3.3 referred a request from The Salvation Army Citadel and Thrift Store re: Additional parking space in front of 316 Victoria Avenue to Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation.
- 424 Perry-Albanese: THAT the minutes of the Council meetings being Sessions No. 31, 32 and 33 dated November 28, December 5 and 12, 2011 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 425 Albanese-Perry: THAT the reports of the Committee of the Whole of Council meetings being Sessions No. 38, 39 and 40 dated November 28, December 5 and 12, 2011 having been typed and distributed be approved. CARRIED
- 426 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated December 12, 2011 from C. Ruppenstein, Human Resources Manager re: Signing of Tentative Agreement with CUPE (as ratified by CUPE) and the Management Non-Union Group be approved and further that Council authorize the Mayor, Clerk and CAO to sign the renewal collective agreement between CUPE Local 65 and the Town of Fort Frances (January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015) and further that an authorizing by-law be prepared. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: R. Wiedenhoef
- 427 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated December 15, 2011 from R. Hallam, Superintendent Planning and Development re: Appointments to Boards and Committees re: Committee of Adjustment be approved and further that the following appointment be made for the remainder of the term of office to November 30, 2014: Doug Kitowski. CARRIED
- 428 Tibbs-Hallikas: THAT the report dated December 7, 2011 from D. Brown, Manager Operations and Facilities re: Long Range Financial Plan for Water and Wastewater Systems be approved. CARRIED
- 429 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated December 13, 2011 from L. Witherspoon, Treasurer re: Mayor Roy Avis – Purchase Card Expense be approved. CARRIED
Disclosure of Interest: R. Avis
- 430 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated December 6, 2011 from G. Bell, Manager Community Services re: Non Budgeted Capital Purchase – Fort Frances Museum be approved. CARRIED
- 431 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated December 15, 2011 from M. Sedgwick, Librarian re: Request for Payment from Reserve Account be approved. CARRIED
- 432 Hallikas-Ryan: THAT the report dated December 15, 2011 from F. Flatt, Municipal Planner re: Zoning By-Law 8/98-TT – Lots 28 to 36 Plan SM-144 be approved and further that an amending by-law be prepared. CARRIED
Yea: R. Avis, A. Hallikas, K. Perry, G.P. Ryan, S. Tibbs, R. Wiedenhoef
Nay: J. Albanese

- 433 Ryan-Hallikas: THAT the report dated December 15, 2011 from F. Flatt, Municipal Planner re: Zoning By-Law 8/98-UU – Lots 12 to 14 and Part of 11 Plan SM-129 and Part of Lane be approved and further that an amending by-law be prepared. CARRIED

- 434 Perry-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:

68/11 A By-Law to approve a license agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute Inc. and ESRI Canada for access to web services.

69/11 A By-Law to approve an agreement with Parks Canada for location of a commemorative plaque re: Fort St. Pierre.

70/11 A By-Law for the purpose of approving the minutes of current Council for the period November 23, 2010 to December 12, 2011. CARRIED

- 435 Wiedenhoeft-Perry: THAT By-Law No. 08/98-TT, being a By-Law to amend Zoning By-Law 08/98 (Lots 26 to 38 on Plan SM-144) 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
Yea: R. Avis, A. Hallikas, K. Perry, G.P. Ryan, S. Tibbs, R. Wiedenhoeft
Nay: J. Albanese

- 436 Perry-Ryan: THAT the following by-law be introduced and read a first and second time:

08/98-UU A By-Lay to amend Zoning By-Law 08/98 (Lots 12 to 14 and Part of 11 Plan SM-129 and Part of Lane. CARRIED

- 437 Albanese-Perry: THAT this meeting of the Town of Fort Frances be now closed. CARRIED

R. Avis, Chairperson

S. Tibbs, Chairperson

K. Lawson, Deputy Clerk