

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY OCTOBER 18, 2016 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor de Groot, Deputy Mayor Dietrich, Councillors Cockburn, Jarema, Gerrard, Parrott and Stilwell; Chief Administrative Officer Colleen Synchshyn and Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

Guests: Jackie Snider – NACTV; Neepawa Banner/Press Eoin Devereaux

1 Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2016 257

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 18, 2016.

CARRIED

2 In-Camera

Resolution No: 2016 258

Cockburn/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now sit as a “Committee of the Whole In-Camera” to discuss strategic planning.

CARRIED

3 Out of In-Camera

Resolution No: 2016 259

Jarema/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn the “In Camera” session at 6:59 p.m. and resume the Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

4 Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2016 260

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, October 4, 2016 as circulated, posted and attached.

CARRIED

5 Presentations/Delegations

5.1 7:05 p.m. - Arts Forward: Amanda Naughton-Gale & Raine Prior- RE: Recreational Funding

- Presented Council with a Recreational Funding Proposal designed to reflect a long-term financial commitment to the Arts. Proposes \$5 per capita starting in 2017 and a Council member representative on the Board. Council to discuss and consider the request in relation to setting the 2017 budget.

6 New Business

6.1 Low Pressure Sewer Agreement (4317361 Manitoba Ltd.)

- Request for low pressure sewer agreement to service A-5772. Property owner to hold responsibility for all costs, under the direction and supervision of the Town of Neepawa.

6.2 Beautiful Plain School Division - Request School Zone Speed Limit Reduction

- A letter was received from the school board outlining a request to have the Town of Neepawa reduce the speed limit zone in school areas.
- Administration to pursue gathering information and creating the appropriate documents which will include a by-law for debate of council.

6.3 Neepawa District Veterinary Services Board - 2017 Budget

- The Vet Services Board has requested a levy increase for 2017 to facilitate building upgrades and ease the burden of annual operations. With no increase forthcoming in a number of years and reduced provincial support, the level of funding is insufficient to cover operating costs as well as repair and improve the facility.
- Council to consider the request during the budget process.

6.4 Draft By-Law 3166-16 - Property Standards (Consolidates and Repeals By-Laws 2316, 2527 & 2999)

- Council to review the by-law in preparation for first reading at the November 1 meeting.

7 Council Committee Assignment Reports

7.1 Councillor Jarema - Evergreen Environmental Technologies

- Upcoming holiday closures were noted and will be posted on the Evergreen's website.
- Residents wishing to dispose of unwanted pesticides and livestock medications can visit cleanfarms.ca for more information on disposal.

8 Managers Report

8.1 CAO Colleen Synchshyn

- The two modular homes seized from 10 James Bay & 311 Fifth Ave. will be auctioned on October 28, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m. at the Public Works Yard (124 Gill Drive). Viewing will be allowed starting at 4:00 p.m.
- Subdivision process related to obtaining separate title to the property known as the Resource Centre is almost complete following the registration of the lane exchange that had not been completed in 1973. Once the plans are finalized through Land Titles, the Town can proceed with divesting its interests in the property.

8.2 Leisure Services Manager Amanda Novak

- Charlene Dysart from Manitoba Indigenous and Municipal Relations will be presenting the Province's findings following the recreational interview process conducted in the spring. The presentation will be part of a meeting to be held on October 26th @ 7 p.m. in the Town office boardroom.
- New signage has been made for the Bird Sanctuary which will assist in directing travellers to the site.

9 Correspondence

9.1 FCM – Haiti Fund - Received as information.

10 Mayors Report

- A survey type process will be implemented to attempt to engage more taxpayers in the budgeting process followed by preliminary budget meetings which will be open to the public. Survey release for early November; results posted mid-December; preliminary Budget meeting early February, following by a question and answer session a week or so later; financial plan presentation per normal schedule of early April. More information will be provided as the process progresses.

11 Resolutions

11.1 Authorize Mayor & CAO to Sign Low Pressure Sewer Agreement

Resolution No: 2016 261

Dietrich/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the attached Low Pressure Sewer Agreement with 4317361 Manitoba Ltd.

CARRIED

11.2 Enforcement Proceedings - 10 James Bay & 311 Fifth Ave

Resolution No: 2016 262

Cockburn/Gerrard

WHEREAS the structures placed on the properties known as 10 James Bay amp; 311 Fifth Avenue were in contravention of the local by-laws and the process to require the property owners to remedy the contraventions have been unsuccessful;

AND WHEREAS to give effect to furthering the remedy process, the Town of Neepawa has now taken action to bring the properties known as 10 James Bay amp; 311 Fifth Ave. into compliance by seizing and removing two modular homes from the sites, removing the foundations and grading the lots;

AND WHEREAS under authority of *the Municipal Act and By-Law 3165-16*, the Town of Neepawa has given notice to sell the modular homes by way of public auction on October 28, 2016;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- all associated expenses incurred to bring the properties into compliance shall be considered a debt owing to the Town of Neepawa and as such the Town hereby sets an undisclosed reserve bid on each of the modular homes to recover all associated expenses;
- the CAO shall have the option to consider accepting the highest bid offered for each of the modular homes if the highest bid meets an acceptable value;
- in the instance that the sale value is insufficient to offset all associated costs, the balance shall be applied to the respective property tax roll from which the modular home was seized and collected in the same manner as a tax may be collected or enforced under *The Municipal Act*;
- in the instance that the sale value produces a surplus, such surplus shall be paid to the property owner, or if another person claims the surplus, paid into court, to be paid out as the court may order.

CARRIED

11.3 2016 Tax Sale - Reserve Bids

Resolution No: 2016 263

Gerrard/Cockburn

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 372 of *The Municipal Act* a municipality may set a reserve bid in the amount of the tax arrears and costs in respect of the property.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Neepawa place a reserve bid on all properties in the amount of all tax arrears and costs in respect of each property offered for tax sale and subject to the conditions as outlined in the Notice of Public Auction dated September 19, 2016.

CARRIED

11.4 Lagoon - Clean Water & Wastewater Fund (CWWF) Application

Resolution No: 2016 264

Cockburn/Jarema

WHEREAS the Town of Neepawa has applied for cost-shared funding under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF) for lagoon upgrades;

AND WHEREAS this project meets the incrementally requirements of CWWF, meaning the project would not otherwise have been undertaken between April 1, 2016 and March 31, 2018, and not without federal funding;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Neepawa attests that this project can be completed by March 31, 2018;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Neepawa will proceed with this project upon approval and a signed agreement is in place in Manitoba.

CARRIED

11.5 Cemetery Flower Tenders

Resolution No: 2016 265

Gerrard/Stilwell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa accept the one-year tender from Parkside Gardens for the supply and delivery of 3850 dozen petunias, for graves at Riverside Cemetery, at a cost of \$12,474.00 plus GST.

CARRIED

12 Adjournment

Resolution No: 2016 266

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 8:06 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer