

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY APRIL 18, 2017 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor de Groot, Deputy Mayor Gerrard, Councillors Cockburn, Dietrich, Jarema, Parrott and Stilwell; CAO Colleen Synchshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Director of Finance Jamie Davie

Guests: Nikki Myker – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Press/Banner

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2017 85

Jarema/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

CARRIED

2. 5:00 p.m. Fran Fraser - Request Re: Cemetery Event

- Provided information for Council regarding the "Cemetery Sagas" event that the New Beginnings Grief Support Group wish to host at the Riverside Cemetery on July 21, 2017.

3. Westlake Employment Skills & Service - Funding Request of April 4th

- Council reviewed the request for financial support and remain of the position that this is a provincial commitment. Council in agreement to support Westlake through politically channels.

4. 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing - Special Services Plan 01/2017

Council stayed the regular meeting to hold the public hearing; recessing at 6:14 and resuming at 6:30 p.m.

5. 6:30 p.m. - Public Hearing Financial Plan 2017

Council stayed the regular meeting to hold the public hearing; recessing at 6:45 and resuming at 7:00 p.m.

6. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2017 86

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, April 4, 2017 as circulated, posted and attached.

CARRIED

7. Council Committee Assignment Reports

Councillor Jarema - Evergreen Environmental Technologies

- The gasification project has been renamed as "Southwestern Manitoba Zero Waste System"
- Organizational branding was discussed and new business cards with more information will be purchased.

Deputy Mayor Gerrard - Regional Recreation Steering Committee

- The committee is working on some documents to guide the mandate of the committee. Next meeting in May.

8. Correspondence

8.1. March RCMP Reports - Received as information and filed.

9. Mayors Report

- Reported on the budgeting process and how the 4 pillars of Neepawa's Framework for the Future were applied.

10. Resolutions

10.1. Approving Policy - FI - 015 Expenses & Reimbursements

Resolution No: 2017 87

Cockburn/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve Policy FI-015 Expenses & Reimbursements as amended.

CARRIED

10.2. Yellowhead Highway - Passing Lanes

Resolution No: 2017 88

Jarema/Cockburn

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has constructed passing lanes on Highway 16 from Minnedosa to the junction of the Trans-Canada Highway at Portage;

AND WHEREAS those improvements have resulted in safer travel, reduced driver stress, and a smoother flow of traffic;

AND WHEREAS Highway #16 from Minnedosa to the Saskatchewan border sees less traffic, but experiences increased driver stress, unsafe driver practices and frequent long traffic convoys due to a large number of tractor trailer units on this highway;

AND WHEREAS the addition of passing lanes would make the entire stretch of Highway #16 more user friendly, safer, and raise the profile of the Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway in Manitoba for all travellers and tourists;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Department of Infrastructure work towards the construction of passing lanes on Highway #16 from Minnedosa to the Saskatchewan border, and that this project be part of the Province's 5 year plan.

CARRIED

10.3. Appoint Fire Chief

Resolution No: 2017 89

Parrott/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa hereby appoint Yves Guillas as Fire Chief for the Neepawa Fire Department, and as such, be also named as Local Assistant under *The Fires Prevention & Emergency Response Act*.

CARRIED

11. By-Laws

11.1 By-Law No. 3161-17 Regulation & Installation of Sump Pits & Sump Pumps - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2017 90

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No.3161-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to regulate the installation of sump pits and sump pumps, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: all Against: nil Abstain: nil

CARRIED

11.2 By-Law No. 3168-17 Management & Regulation of the Waterworks System - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2017 91

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3168-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to manage and regulate the waterworks system, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: all Against: nil Abstain: nil

CARRIED

11.3 By-Law No. 3171-17 Garbage & Recycling - 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2017 92

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3171-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to establish a rate for garbage and recycling collection and transportation services, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

11.4 By-Law No. 3170-17 - Tax Levy & 2017 Financial Plan - 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2017 93

Parrott/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3170-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2017 and provide for a date on which taxes shall be due and payable, and the penalty for late payment of taxes, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

12. Accounts and Financial Statements

12.1 February 2017 Financial Statement

Resolution No: 2017 94

Jarema/Stilwell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the February 2017 Financial Statement.

CARRIED

13. Other Business

13.1 Adding Cemetery Event to the Agenda

Resolution No: 2017 95

Jarema/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa add the Cemetery Event to the agenda under "Other Business".

CARRIED

13.2 Approving Cemetery Event

Resolution No: 2017 96

Cockburn/Jarema

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve the request of New Beginnings Grief Support to host an event at the Riverside Cemetery entitled "Cemetery Sagas" on July 21, 2017 as part of Heritage week.

CARRIED

14. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2017 97

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:26 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer