

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY OCTOBER 17, 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 & Stilwell; CAO Colleen Synchysyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

Guests: Jeremy Vogt – NACTV, Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner & Press

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2017 218

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 17, 2017.

CARRIED

2. In-Camera

Resolution No: 2017 219

Jarema/Cockburn

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 matters.

CARRIED

3. Out of In-Camera

Resolution No: 2017 220

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn the “In Camera” session at 6:42 p.m. and resume the Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2017 221

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 3, 2017 as circulated, posted and attached.

CARRIED

5. 7:05 p.m. - Public Hearing - By-Law 3175-17 - Close Portion of Cameron Street

Council stayed the meeting to hold the public hearing; resuming at 7:08 p.m.

6. Council Committee Reports

6.1 Public Works & Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Dietrich

- Water & sewer infrastructure is currently being placed to service the new firehall.
- E.F. Moon has begun to mobilize their equipment in order to complete the watermain that will connect to the Rosedale rural water project. Project duration of 3 weeks.
- New firehall has gone to tender with an October 24th close of bids.
- Snow clearing and removal to be performed by local contractors based on two established zones.
- Public works are demoing loaders to replace the existing loader in 2018.

7. Managers' Report

7.1. Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Several inquiries are begin fielded in relation to the firehall tender.

8. Correspondence

8.1 RCMP Report - September 2017 – Received as information and filed.

8.2 FCM Your Voice - Invitation to Council - Engagement Session – October 26, 2017 in Portage la Prairie.

9. Mayors Report

- Noted that the sound system from the Court House has been brought over for a trial run.

10. Resolutions

10.1. Parade of Lights Street Closure & Route

Resolution No: 2017 222

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town authorize the closure of the following streets to facilitate the Parade of Lights on Saturday, November 25 at 6:00 p.m.

Mountain Avenue to Davidson Street

East on Davidson Street to Brown Avenue

South on Brown Avenue to Hamilton Street

West on Hamilton Street to the end

These streets will remain closed until the end of parade and/or scheduled festivities.

CARRIED

10.2. Perpetual Care Committee

Resolution No: 2017 223

Parrott/Jarema

WHEREAS, the Council for the Town of Neepawa recognize that annually, the rising costs of operating the Riverside Cemetery at the current level and standard of maintenance is unsustainable;

AND WHEREAS, the service expectations provided by virtue of the “Perpetual Care” definition as stated in By-Law 3149 contributes significantly to the increasing operating costs;

AND WHEREAS, discussions related to deviation from the current method of maintaining the cemetery causes concern for certain individuals, both in relation to beautification, but also in respect of the belief that by purchasing perpetual care either in the past, the present, or for future internments, the current standard for the Riverside Cemetery will remain consistent into the future;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT out of respect that changes to the standard of care at the Riverside Cemetery will emotionally impact the residents of Neepawa and the public at large, Council support the formation of an ad hoc committee of no more than five permanent Neepawa residents, and one member of council, to facilitate a process of research starting mid-November to identify options and changes that will not only meet the needs of the community by reducing costs, but will outline changes that will continue to achieve the respect and beauty of the cemetery;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT administrative staff function as a resource for the committee, with the intent of summarizing their findings and recommendations by April 2018.

DEFEATED

10.3. 2017 Tax Sale - Reserve Bids

Resolution No: 2017 224

Cockburn/Gerrard

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 properties offered at tax sale,

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.

CARRIED

10.4. Authorize Attendance - FCM Engagement Session

Resolution No: 2017 225

Dietrich/Jarema

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve two members of Council and administration to attend the FCM Engagement Session in Portage la Prairie on October 26, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m.

CARRIED

11. By-Laws

11.1. By-Law No. 3177-17 North Cypress-Langford Water Supply Agreement - 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2017 226

Gerrard/Jarema

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3177-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to enter into an agreement with the Municipality of North Cypress-Langford for the supply of water to the municipality, be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

11.2. By-Law No. 3177-17 North Cypress-Langford Water Supply Agreement - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2017 227

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3177-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to enter into an agreement with the Municipality of North Cypress-Langford for the supply of water to the municipality, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: Mayor de Groot, Councillors Cockburn, Dietrich, Gerrard, Jarema, Parrott and Stilwell

Against: nil; Abstain: nil

CARRIED

11.3. By-Law No. 3175-17 Closing Part of Cameron Street - 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2017 228

Gerrard/Jarema

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3175-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to close part of Cameron Street, be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

11.4. By-Law No. 3175-17 Closing Part of Cameron Street - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2017 229

Parrott/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3175-17, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to close part of Cameron Street, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: Mayor de Groot, Councillors Cockburn, Dietrich, Gerrard, Jarema, Parrott and Stilwell

Against: nil Abstain: nil

CARRIED

12. Other Business

Deputy Mayor Gerrard - attended a successful season opening for the Neepawa Filipino Basketball League.

Councillor Parrott - Noted that the **New Home Warranty Legislation** is bringing forth many changes that will affect construction projects and the process thereof. More information can be obtained from Planning Officer Jeff Braun who attended a recent seminar to learn about the new permit process and the associated changes that will be enacted on January 1, 2018.

13. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2017 230

Cockburn/Stilwell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:43 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Office