

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA PUBLIC HEARING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY MAY 1, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor de Groot, Deputy Mayor Jarema, Councillors Cockburn, Dietrich, Gerrard, Parrott & Stilwell and CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

Guests: Jeremy Vogt – NACTV, Allan Gillies - Westman Internet Radio

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2018 380

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the Regular Meeting agenda for May 1, 2018.

CARRIED

2. In-Camera

Resolution No: 2018 381

Cockburn/Dietrich

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, legal and personnel matters.

CARRIED

3. Out of In-Camera

Resolution No: 2018 382

Jarema/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn the “In-Camera” session at 7:00 p.m. and resume the Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2018 383

Cockburn/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing held April 17, 2018 as circulated, posted and attached.

CARRIED

5. Old Business

5.1 Westlake Employment Skills and Services - Funding Request

Council discussed the funding request presented on April 17th. Concern still exists regarding decisions made regarding programs under the provincial mandate that impose unjustifiable impact on the municipal level of government. A resolution will be forthcoming.

5.1 Springhill Colony - Installation of Fibre Optic Cable to Acadia Colony

Council further reviewed the request of Springhill Colony to install fibre optic cable in specified road allowance at the southern boundary by way of easement agreement. No significant concerns were noted and Administration will follow up for some clarification on the chosen route. A resolution will be forthcoming.

6. New Business

6.1 Authorization for equipment purchases - Manager of Operations Saquet

Manager of Operations Saquet presented several equipment purchase requests that were budgeted items for 2018. Resolutions will be forthcoming.

7. Council Committee Reports

7.1 Community Development Committee – Councillor Cockburn

- Lacrosse is slated to start in Neepawa. Coached by Jeff Michaluk & sponsored by a Sport Manitoba Grant.
- Chamber Fair – May 25 – 27, 2018
- Manitoba Community Services Council approved a grant of \$6,000 to purchase farmers market style tents.
- “What’s the Big Idea” entrepreneurial event is continuing to spark interest in the region. Possible changes include hosting the event over two days with Minnedosa & Neepawa partnering on one day and Carberry/Glenboro on a second day.
- Manitoba Youth Summer Jobs - Kelsey Ellis begins May 11, operating out of the Municipal Office.
- Neepawa Tourism – Brand reveal set for May 22, 2018 at Arts Forward.

8. Manager’s Reports

8.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Site meetings for the construction of the fire hall and the north waterline project begin this week.
- Bagged cold mix has arrived. Businesses can stop by the office to purchase 25 kg bags at a cost of \$20 per bag.

8.2 Director of Recreation Services Nicole Synchyshyn

- Recent Community Expo saw 23 organizations participate in a successful showcase event.
- Staffing of the pool remains a challenge. Working towards ensuring the required training is in place for the staff members to ensure compliance for facilitating lessons as well as serve as lifeguards. At this point in time, the Town does not have sufficient staff members to facilitate the school programs.
- Council discussed concerns with securing trained pool staff, which appears to be problematic not just on a local level, but all across the region.

9. Correspondence

- **RCMP Report (January - April 2018)** - Received as information and filed.
- **Manitoba Sustainable Development** – Notification of changes to the Dutch Elm Disease Program. Now offering differing levels of funding based on tree size, altered deadlines and dates, as well as moving towards a perpetual agreement as opposed to yearly agreements.
- **Manitoba Community Newspapers Association** – concern regarding changes within *The Planning Act* to remove the requirement for mandatory publishing of notices in newspapers. Received as information and filed.

10. Mayors Report

- Requested that individuals directing correspondence to the Mayor’s office, please ensure that their contact information is provided to enable follow up.

11. Resolutions

11.1 Authorizing Loader purchase

Resolution No: 2018 384

Parrott/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa authorize the purchase of a Volvo L70H loader from Westcon Equipment and Rentals Ltd. at an after trade price of \$104,000 plus taxes.

CARRIED

Councillor Gerrard declared an interest in the following item and vacated the room, returning following debate.

11.2 Authorization for purchase of lawn mower

Resolution No: 2018 385

Parrott/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the purchase of a John Deere X590 EFI Garden Tractor for Riverside Cemetery, at an after trade-in price of \$8695.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED

11.3 Authorization for truck purchase - 4WD

Resolution No: 2018 386

Dietrich/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa authorize the purchase of the following truck from McLaughlin Motors Neepawa:

- 2018 GMC 1500 Silverado 4WD at cost of \$27,360 plus taxes

CARRIED

11.4 Authorization for truck purchase - 2WD

Resolution No: 2018 387

Parrott/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa authorize the purchase of the following truck from Westward Ford Neepawa:

- 2018 Ford F150 2WD at cost of \$26,442 plus taxes

CARRIED

11.5 Development Agreement - Pt SW 3-15-15W (Subdivision 4437-16-7640 C & K McDonald)

Resolution No: 2018 388

Cockburn/Jarema

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to enter into a development agreement with Colin & Karen McDonald for the establishment of a single family residential building onto Part SW 3-15-15W under subdivision application 4437-16-7640.

CARRIED

11.6 Westlake Employment Skills and Services - Funding Request

Resolution No: 2018 389

Jarema/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the funding request of Westlake Employment Skills for the fiscal year August 2018 - July 2019 in amount of \$5,242.02.

CARRIED

11.7 Fibre Optic Cable - Springhill to Acadia

Resolution No: 2018 340

Parrott/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa principally approve the negotiation of an easement agreement with the Hutterian Broadband Network Inc. for the installation of a fibre optic cable from Springhill Colony to Acadia Colony, the project of which, will affect road allowances within the jurisdiction of the Town of Neepawa at the southernmost point of the Town specific to Road 88W & Road 82N.

CARRIED

12. By-Laws

12.1 3180-18 Levy of Taxes for 2018 - 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2018 341

Gerrard/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3180-18, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2018; to provide for a tax due date; and to provide for late payment penalties, be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

12.2 3180/18 Levy of Taxes for 2018 - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2018 342

Jarema/Stilwell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3180-18, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2018; to provide for a tax due date; and to provide for late payment penalties, be now read for a third time and passed.

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

Against: nil Abstain: nil

CARRIED

13. Accounts and Financial Statements

13.1 April 2018 Cheque Register (all)

Resolution No: 2018 343

Dietrich/Cockburn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve the accounts for April 2018 totalling \$531,764.81, as reviewed and representing cheques #201800623 to #201800797

CARRIED

13.2 March Financial Statements

Resolution No: 2018 344

Gerrard/Jarema

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the March 2018 Financial Statement.

CARRIED

14. Other Business

Councillor Gerrard attended a successful season wrap up of the Filipino Basketball League and extended congratulations to the organizers and all involved.

15. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2018 345

Cockburn/Dietrich

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:56 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer