

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY MARCH 5, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor McCutcheon, Deputy Mayor Hedley, Councillors Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau, Parrott & Pudlo, CAO Colleen Synchysyn, EDO Marilyn Crewe, Development Officer Jeff Braun

Guests: Rebecca Walmsley – NACTV, Dianne Reid, Catherine Chernoff, Ryan & Corrie Ford, Jim Schmall, Trish Phinney, Pat & Laurie Gilbert

From 5:00 p.m. to 6:59 p.m., Council participated in a closed Committee of the Whole study session related to pre-budget and development matters.

1. In-Camera 5:00 p.m.

Resolution No: 2019-44

Pudlo/Kostenchuk

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

Council recessed the in-camera session @ 6:59 p.m. to hold the regular meeting of Council.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2019-45

Gerrard/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, March 5, 2019.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2019-46

Pudlo/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 19, 2019 as circulated, posted and attached.

CARRIED

4. Presentations/Delegations - Nil

5. Council Reports

5.1 General Government & Finance – Councillor Gerrard

- Met on February 23rd to discuss the 2019 budget and determine recommendations for Council review.

6. Other Council Reports (Boards, Committee, etc.)

6.1 AMM District Meetings – Councillor Parrott

- As District Director, Councillor Parrott recently toured 8 municipalities to hear concerns or successes.

6.2 Westman Regional Library Board – Councillor Nadeau

- The Board does not anticipate opening the contracts at this time to allow for alternate representation.
- Stressed the importance of obtaining library cards to enable the use of the library as a public service.

6.3 County Court Building – Councillor Gerrard

- Continue to discuss public access to the building.
- There are 3 offices available for rent – two on the second floor and one on the main floor.

7. Department Reports

7.1 Economic Development Officer - Marilyn Crewe

- Attended open house for Aurora Project - a new program re: entrepreneurship support to newcomers.
- Neepawa Tourism website is now live and they are looking at hiring a tourism assistant for the summer.
- Continue to work with the Neepawa Kinsmen Seniors Housing on an Assisted Living Project.

8. Correspondence

8.1 Office of the Fire Commissioner

- Neepawa, Rosedale & Glenella-Lansdowne have recently been granted the authority to administer Part 3 of the Manitoba Building Code. The designation takes effect March 31st.
- Such authority remains in effect as long as a qualified inspector is employed. This requirement met with the recent hiring of Rick Grimshaw, who will mentor Mr. Braun until he achieves certification.

8.2 Minister of Infrastructure

- *The Traffic and Transportation Modernization Act* came into force on March 1, 2019.
- Municipalities will have greater control over a few matters including the setting of speed limits on roadways under municipal control. Provincial roads will still fall under provincial jurisdiction with a formal application process. Municipalities will be required to have speed limit by-laws in place by Sept 1, 2019.

9. Finance

9.1 Accounts – February 2019

Resolution No: 2019-47

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve the accounts for February 2019, totalling \$304,230.10, as reviewed and representing cheques #201900181 to #201900320 and excluding #20190294, #20190295 & #201900315.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Hedley and Councillor Gerrard declared a conflict for the following resolution; vacated the room; returning at the close of discussion and debate.

9.2 Accounts – February 2019 (HH & Coop)

Resolution No: 2019-48

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve cheques #201900294, #201900295 and #201900315 for February 2019 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Coop totalling \$9,072.54.

CARRIED

9.3 December 2018 Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Resolution No: 2019-49

Gerrard/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

CARRIED

9.4 January 2019 Financial Statement

Resolution No: 2019-50

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve the Financial Statement for the month of January 2019.

CARRIED

10. Unfinished Business

10.1 Modernization of Conservation Districts Program

Resolution No: 2019-51

Parrott/Nadeau

WHEREAS the Town of Neepawa is currently a member of the Whitemud Watershed Conservation District; AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Neepawa has reviewed the proposal for the Whitemud Watershed District as prepared by the Manitoba government that supports a watershed-based approach to water management in Manitoba;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approves the proposal for the Whitemud Watershed District and supports the continued membership in this program under the authority of *The Watershed Districts Act*.

CARRIED

10.2 Subdivision 4437-18-7917 (Big N Rich Ltd.) – Geotechnical Report

Resolution No: 2019-52

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council accept the Geotechnical Report submitted by Big N Rich Ltd. as required by the Town as a condition of Subdivision 4437-18-7917.

CARRIED

11. New Business

11.1 Network Service Upgrades

Resolution No: 2019-53

Kostenchuk/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa approve the Network Service Upgrades to be performed by MicroAge Manitoba at a cost of \$18,002.00 plus applicable taxes. Scope of work to include a new server and server software upgrade, a new power backup, storage implementation, 48 port switch upgrade and installation and configuration of the server and all workstations.

CARRIED

12. Other Business

- Reminder that the meeting scheduled for March 19th has been cancelled.

13. Out of In-Camera

Resolution No: 2019-54

Hedley/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn the "In-Camera" session of the Committee of the Whole at 8:35 p.m.

CARRIED

14. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2019-55

Parrott/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 8:36 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Blake McCutcheon



CAO – Colleen Synchishyn