

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY MARCH 1, 2022 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 and Pudlo, CAO Colleen Sychyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, ACO Jodi Baker

Guest: Jeremy Vogt – NACTV

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2022-42

Pudlo/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, March 1, 2022.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2022-43

Nadeau/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 15, 2022 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Council Reports

3.1 Western Regional Library Board - Councillor Nadeau

- The 2022 budget has been finalized and Neepawa can expect a levy increase of 80 cents/capita for a total of \$12.00/capita. The board will utilize the 2021 population for the calculation.

3.3 County Court Building Committee – Councillor Gerrard

- A few members of the Committee were able to meet with an architectural firm for a preliminary tour of the County Court Building. Discussions will continue regarding the how to comply with accessibility standards, as well as to determine what possibilities may exist to improve the buildings functionality.

3.4 Protection & Community Services – Deputy Mayor Hedley

- The Fire Department is looking for volunteers to join the department. Interested persons can make application at the office.

3.6 Neepawa & Area Disabled Persons Association – Councillor Kostenchuk

- Recently met with the group in charge of completing the service delivery review of the handivan service to answer questions regarding current operations.

4. Department Reports

4.1 Manager of Operations – Denis Saquet

- The tenders for the Park Lake Bridge close on March 14th.
- The required tree scrubbing at the Park Lake site has been completed and the supply of the rockfill material continues with intentions of wrapping up the deliveries by the end of March.
- At the close of Mr. Saquet's report, Councillor Gerrard extended appreciation to the public works staff for the snow clearing efforts at the intersection of Brown and Main, which although is a provincial responsibility, was greatly appreciated to ensure safety for the area.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Manitoba Public Insurance

- Effective March 1, 2022 the rates paid for basic and complex firefighting payments will increase from \$896 to \$935 for a basic call and from \$1197 to \$1249 for a complex call (4.3% increase).

6. Finance

6.1 Year-End Surplus Transfers for 2021

Resolution No: 2022-44

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the transfer of the unaudited General Operating Fund and Utility Operating Fund surpluses for the year ended December 31, 2021, into the follow reserve accounts:

Amount	From	To
\$1,103,012.01	General Operating Fund	Building & Land Reserve
\$627,689.00	General Operating Fund	General Reserve
\$205,449.79	Utility Operating Fund	Utility Water Reserve

CARRIED

6.2 December 2021 Financial Statements

Resolution No: 2022-45

Nadeau/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2021.

CARRIED

6.3 Accounts – February 2022

Resolution No: 2022-46

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for February 2022 totaling \$1,394,927.03, as reviewed and representing cheques #202200195 to #202200337, but excluding #202200197, #202200214 and #202200296.

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.

6.4 Accounts – February 2022 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2022-47

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve cheque #202200197, #202200214 and #202200296 for February 2022 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$4,298.88.

CARRIED

7. New Business

7.1 Subdivision 4437-22-8376 (Reimer)

Resolution No: 2022-48

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve Subdivision 4437-22-8376 of Owen Reimer on behalf of 10031344 Manitoba Inc. to subdivide Lots 17 to 24, inclusive, Block 118, Plan 256 in NE 28 and SE 33-14-15W to allow for the splitting off of an existing commercial lot with the intention of repurposing the new lot for multi-residential use;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this approval be subject to:

- a conditional use order allowing for the construction of a multi-residential unit in the commercial central zone; and
- a development agreement which shall outline applicable requirements, including the servicing of the new lot with water and sewer (to the property line) under the terms of By-Law 3204-21, at a base cost of \$21,000.00 plus an amount of \$2,250.00 for every additional door to be constructed as a separate dwelling unit.

CARRIED

7.2 Purchase Snow Blower

Resolution No: 2022-49

Hedley/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the purchase of a 51" PTO driven Holder snow blower for \$17,995 plus tax.

CARRIED

8. By-Laws

8.1 By-Law 3211-22 Capital Asset Management – 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2022-50

Kostenchuk/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3211-22, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to establish a program to sustainably manage the capital assets of the Town of Neepawa, be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

8.2 By-Law 3211-22 Capital Asset Management – 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2022-51

Hedley/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3211-22, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to establish a program to sustainably manage the capital assets of the Town of Neepawa, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: All

Against/Abstain: Nil

CARRIED

8.3 By-Law 3212-22 Use of Municipal Resources in an Election – 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2022-52

Gerrard/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3212-22, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to establish rules and procedures for the use of municipal resources in any election, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

8.4 By-Law 3213-22 Open Public Road (Part Stonehouse Street) – 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2022-53

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3213-22, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to open a municipal road (part Stonehouse Street), be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

9. Other Business

- Mayor McCutcheon took a moment to acknowledge the situation that is unravelling in the Ukraine, noting how fortunate we are in this part of the world, to be able to live in democracy.

10. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2022-54

Pudlo/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:35 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Blake McCutcheon



CAO – Colleen Sychyshyn