

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY APRIL 5, 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 and Pudlo, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Jeff Braun & Scott Kowalick, Development Officers, Neepawa Area Planning District

Regrets: Councillor Parrott

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

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2022-64

Gerrard/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, April 5, 2022.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2022-65

Hedley/Kostenchuk

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

CARRIED

3. Council Reports

3.1 Rossburn Subdivision Trails Association - Councillor Nadeau

- Continue to work on improving the trails and have been applying for grant funding.
- The public is welcome to participate in the annual general meeting to be held May 5th and Riding Mountain National Park. Details can be obtained by contacting Councillor Nadeau.

3.2 Home Assistance Neepawa & District (HAND) – Deputy Mayor Hedley

- 6,223 meals were provided to the community in 2021 and 14 new lifeline units have been installed.
- Currently offering an income tax program and preparing to offer an exercise program.

3.3 Recreation & Economic Development – Councillor Pudlo

- Reviewed a Storefront Improvement Incentive application from the Neepawa Gladstone Co-op for new lit signage and automated doors on the storefront. The total project cost was \$35,996, with a resolution to approve the application at the maximum contribution of \$5,000 coming forward later in the meeting.

3.4 Protection & Community Services – Deputy Mayor Hedley

- This week, the Fire Department received a new 60 psi air compressor (\$48,000 value) from the Office of the Fire Commissioner. This piece of equipment will replace the old 45 psi unit and will serve as a valuable asset for Neepawa and the Mutual Aid District.
- The new fire truck is still under assembly and is roughly 50% complete.

4. Department Reports

4.1 Manager of Operations – Denis Saquet

- Attended the Alberta Water and Wastewater Conference as a delegate representing Manitoba.
- The old bridge at Park Lake was removed by the end of March. However, as per the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, further work is suspended until after June 15th to adhere to waterway restrictions.
- Seasonal and summer staff have been hired and are slated to start work on May 2nd.
- Water Reservoir - progressing nicely and will be connected to the system in the coming weeks.
- RCMP Building - Electrical and plumbing is completed and the drywalling has begun.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Letter from Dan Mazier

- Mr. Mazier is supportive of municipalities affected by the impact of the RCMP Unionization, and has issued a letter calling on the federal government to absorb the one-time retroactive costs.

6. Finance

6.1 February 2022 Financial Statements

Resolution No: 2022-66

Nadeau/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statements for the month ended February 28, 2022.

CARRIED

6.2 Accounts – March 2022

Resolution No: 2022-67

Kostenchuk/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for March 2022 totaling \$739,740.88, as reviewed and representing cheques #202200338 to #202200531, but excluding #202200357 and #202200486.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Hedley and Councillor Gerrard declared a conflict for the following resolution and vacated the room. Councillor Gerrard returned at the close of discussion and debate however, Deputy Mayor Hedley extended his absence due to a conflict of interest, for the duration of new business item 7.1.

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

Resolution No: 2022-68

Pudlo/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Neepawa approve cheque #202200357 and #202200486 for March 2022 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$4,887.38.

CARRIED

7. New Business

7.1 Storefront Improvement Incentive Program – 2022 Intake – Neepawa-Gladstone Co-op Ltd.

Resolution No: 2022-69

Kostenchuk/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve and application to the Storefront Improvement Incentive Program submitted by Neepawa-Gladstone Co-op Ltd. for the refurbishment of highway signage at the old Co-op Agro Site and the replacement of the front entrance at the Home Centre. Incentive provided at 50% up to a maximum amount of \$5,000.00.

CARRIED

7.2 Chamber of Commerce Fair – Request for Community Event Status

Resolution No: 2022-70

Nadeau/Pudlo

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa declare the 2022 Neepawa & District Chamber of Commerce Fair as a community event, entitling them to obtain a community events liquor permit for the period of Friday May 27 through to Sunday May 29, 2022.

CARRIED

7.3 FoodCycler – Municipal Pilot Program

- The intent of the project is to analyze food diversion and greenhouse gas emissions reduction.

- With Council support, administration will outline the criteria for the pilot program and prepare to identify willing participants. The cost of a FoodCycle unit is \$500, which resembles a bread maker in appearance.

Resolution No: 2022-71

Kostenchuk/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Neepawa enter into an agreement with FoodCycle Science Corporation to conduct a FoodCycler Food Waste Diversion Pilot Program;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the cost of the FoodCycle units be cost shared between FoodCycle Science (40%), the Town of Neepawa (25%) and 100 participating households/residents (35%);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT ten additional units be obtained on a cost share basis between FoodCycle Science (65%), the Town of Neepawa (25%) and 10 targeted community locations (10%) to determine the potential waste diversion in locations such as schools, elderly housing units, etc.

CARRIED

8. By-Laws

8.1 By-Law 3209-22 Amend Zoning – Lots 6 & 7, Plan 6991 – “MH” to “RM-2” – 1st Reading

- Development Officer Braun reviewed the application submitted by 10004960 Manitoba Ltd. to facilitate the construction of multi-use residential development on property situated at 553 & 571 Dominion Road.

Resolution No: 2022-72

Nadeau/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3209-22, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to amend the zoning of Lots 6 & 7, Plan 6991 at 553 and 571 Dominion Road from "MH" - Industrial Heavy Zone to the proposed "RM-2" Residential Multiple Unit 2 Zone, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

8.2 By-Law 3215-22 Amend Zoning – Pcl 1 Pl. 5695, Pcl 3 Pl. 5847 & Pcl A Pl. 5428 "ML" to "RM-2"- 1st Reading

- Development Officer Braun reviewed the application, submitted by 10125550 Manitoba Ltd. for the location and construction of multiple-unit, multiple floor residential development, on property north of 123 Main St. West and directly west of Westpark Place.

Resolution No: 2022-73

Kostenchuk/Hedley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3215-22, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to amend the zoning of Parcel 1, Plan 5695, Parcel 3, Plan 5847 & Parcel A, Plan 5428 from "ML" Industrial Light Zone to "RM-2" Residential Multi-Unit 2 Zone be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

9. Other Business

- Councillor Nadeau shared information on traffic counts conducted by the Citizens on Patrol Program in support of the speed zone application submitted by Neepawa in 2020.
- CAO Synchyshyn further added that we were fortunate to have Minister Doyle Pivniuk and Eileen Clarke, Agassiz MLA attend Neepawa on March 28th to review the impacted area and discuss the application.

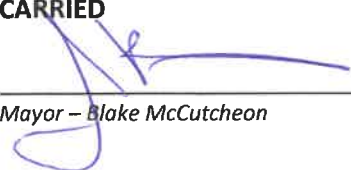
10. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2022-74

Pudlo/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:30 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor – Blake McCutcheon



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn