

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEPAWA, MB**

Present: Mayor Hedley, Deputy Mayor Parrott, Councillors Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau, Sisley & Pottinger, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Assistant CAO Jodi Baker

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

**1. 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Pre-Meeting Committee of the Whole.**

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Resolution No: 2023-209**

**Pottinger/Sisley**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

**CARRIED**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**Resolution No: 2023-210**

**Nadeau/Parrott**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 3, 2023, as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**4. Council Reports**

**4.1 Various – Deputy Mayor Parrott**

- Attended the LPN Training Info night, very well attended, radio advertisements have started.
- Congratulations to Hid' n Hollow who was the winner of the NADCO Award at What's the Big Idea.

**4.2 Various – Councillor Nadeau**

- Rossburn Subdivision Trail Association – damage and missing items occurring on Trail.
- Spruce Plains Justice Committee – attended a tour of Stoney Mountain Penitentiary, very interesting.

**4.3 Various - Councillor Sisley**

- A Halloween Haunted Forest will be held on October 28 at Riverbend in partnership with the Kin Club, Settlement Services and Fil-Can. Donations accepted; volunteers needed.
- What's the Big Idea, another successful event with 7 entrepreneurs walking away with \$12,300 in cash and prizes. Best Pitch, Katy Martin-fine art business. Best Overall Idea, Hid' n Hollow kid store and more.
- Neepawa & District Disabled Persons Association - Handi-Van took 367 trips for September; \$1500 donation from HAND received.

**5. Department Reports**

**5.1 Manager of Operations Report – Denis Saquet**

- Park Lake - main dam to be completed this week with the final concrete pour for the spillway scheduled for October 31<sup>st</sup>. Reminder to stay off/out of area. Work continues 7 days/week to complete project.
- Lagoon – the waterline to service the new wastewater treatment facility is currently being installed.
- Multi-Use Trail Park - trail builders will be finishing up this week.
- Hosted a Hydrant & Valve Course in conjunction with the Manitoba Water and Wastewater Association earlier today. Several staff attended.
- Active Transportation Plan - nearing completion. Met recently with stakeholders to review draft report.
- Hurrell Road, west of PTH #5, is undergoing some maintenance and repairs.
- CN site – clean up taking place near Hamilton Street; Hydro to be coming soon to install street lights.
- Training Centre – first coat of paint applied; flooring scheduled for next week; awaiting windows & doors.

## **6. Correspondence**

### **6.1 RCMP Quarterly Report July 1 – September 30, 2023**

- 330 charges were issued for the quarter in the Spruce Plains area with 66 being from Neepawa.
- 2 check stops were set up with 100 roadside breath samples taken - 2 drivers were charged with impaired driving and 4 were given an Immediate Roadside Prohibition.
- 6 offender management files were opened with 20 curfew checks performed.
- Anti-fraud messaging is increasing with the increase of scam calls. Reminder to visit the Anti-fraud website for information.

## **7. Finance**

### **7.1 September 2023 Accounts**

**Resolution No: 2023-211**

**Parrott/Pottinger**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Financial Statement for the month ended August 31, 2023.

**CARRIED**

## **8. New Business**

### **8.1 Dutch Elm Disease – Tree Removal for 2023**

**Resolution No: 2023-212**

**Kostenchuk/Nadeau**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the quote of Devin Jarvis in the amount of \$9400.00 plus GST for the removal of 33 elm trees identified as part of the Dutch Elm Disease Management Program for 2023.

**CARRIED**

### **8.2 Whitemud Watershed Conservation District – 2023 Municipal Levy Increase**

**Resolution No: 2023-213**

**Parrott/Gerrard**

WHEREAS subsequent to the passing of the 2023 Financial Plan for the Town of Neepawa, the Provincial of Manitoba increased their provincial allotment to the Whitemud Watershed Conservation District by \$100,000; AND WHEREAS the watershed has requested that the municipal partners within the watershed contribute proportionately to the meet the provincial/municipal matching requirement of 75/25; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve payment of additional funding to the Whitemud Watershed Conservation District in amount of \$1,036.81.

**DEFEATED**

### **8.3 Storefront Improvement Incentive Program – 2023 Intake – Brews Brothers Bistro**

**Resolution No: 2023-214**

**Sisley/Pottinger**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve an application to the Storefront Improvement Program submitted by Brews Brothers Bistro for exterior building and signage renovations at 376 Mountain Avenue. Incentive provided at 40% of the total cost and equating to \$2,856.68.

**CARRIED**

### **8.4 PTH 16 Watermain Extension**

**Resolution No: 2023-215**

**Parrott/Gerrard**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the tender of Swift Underground in the amount of \$1,186,016.20 to complete Phase 1 of the watermain extension required to extend water service to the new regional hospital and premise future development of the SW 34-14-15W.

**CARRIED**

9. Adjournment

**Resolution No: 2023-216**

**Kostenchuk/Pottinger**

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

**CARRIED**



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Mayor – Brian Hedley



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CAO – Colleen Synchshyn