

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024 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, Nadeau, Kostenchuk, Sisley & Pottinger, ACAO Jodi Baker, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, Economic Development Officer Marilyn Crewe

Guests: Jeremy Vogt, NACTV; Eoin Devereaux, Banner & Press

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2024-16

Nadeau/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for February 6, 2024.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2024-17

Pottinger/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 16, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Presentations/Delegations - Nil

4. Council Reports

4.1 Sayward Estate Committee – Councillor Kostenchuk

- Committee reviewing policies and procedures. In 1997 fund had \$620,000; 2024 fund is at \$1.34 Million.

4.2 Yellowhead Centre – Councillor Pottinger

- Board is reviewing policies and procedures as well as the financials. Gymnastics has a waiting list.

4.3 Various – Councillor Nadeau

- Westlake Employment – AGM held recently, good representation, securing funding with the province.
- Western Manitoba Regional Library – also had AGM; partners are becoming more equally represented and additional programming being worked on.
- Rossburn Subdivision Trail Association – event will be held on June 1st at Rossburn end of Trail, BBQ and trail clean up with a bike/run activity. Neepawa can host at our end, funding available – Recreation Director to look into it further.

4.4 Various – Deputy Mayor Parrott

- Beautiful Plains Clinic – Farm & Leisure Lottery coming soon, watch for details.
- PMH Stakeholders Mtg held recently to discuss health care matters with key community leaders.
- Premier Kinew, Minister Asagwara, Minister Cable and 5 MLAs attended Neepawa as part of a cabinet tour on Monday January 15, 2024, taking part in the Grand Opening of Neepawa's new Training Centre and learning more about Neepawa with a tour of HyLife and the Touchwood Day Program Building.
- Met with the Deputy Ministers of the departments of Transportation and Infrastructure and Consumer Protection and Government Services to discuss issues related to the new hospital and pending vocational school within the SW 34-14-15W.

4.5 BP County Courthouse – Councillor Gerrard

- Budget for 2024 being reviewed as well as maintenance issues and funding models. Looking to hire a Grant writer to obtain funding for projects.

5. Department Reports

5.1 Manager of Operations – Denis Saquet

- Mild weather causing issues with ice melt/drainage and potholes; staff working hard to get them fixed with additional repairs to follow in the Spring.
- Second phase of Hospital servicing underway; awarded to Rob Smith & Sons.
- May have to delay service through Golf Course due to weather/thawing of ground.
- Staff training underway and a few have updated their Certifications.
- Flats Rink is closed until further notice due to warm temps.

6. Correspondence - Nil

7. Finance

7.1 Accounts – January 2024

Resolution No: 2024-18

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for January 2024, totalling \$2,185,287.42, as reviewed and representing cheques #202400022 to #202400169, but excluding #202400070 and #202400071.

CARRIED

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

7.2 Accounts – January 2024 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2024-19

Sisley/Pottinger

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202400070 and #202400071 for January 2024 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$6,933.69.

CARRIED

8. New Business

8.1 Westlake Employment Skills and Services Centre

Resolution No: 2024-20

Pottinger/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we renew the appointment of Jason Nadeau to the Westlake Employment Skills and Services Centre for 2024.

CARRIED

8.2 Sale of Property – Lot 3 Plan 62631 (400 Ellen Street)

Resolution No: 2024-21

Gerrard/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the sale of Lot 3 Plan 62361 (Roll #83270 – 400 Ellen Street) to Gabriel Mineault for \$45,000 subject to the terms of a development agreement.

CARRIED

9. Other Business

- Councillor Gerrard reported on attending the Neepawa & Area Pride Meeting held recently at the library. This group will be approaching Council regarding upcoming events and to ensure Neepawa remains an open and welcoming community to all.

10. In-Camera

Resolution No: 2024-22

Parrott/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit as a "Committee of the Whole In-Camera" at 7:17 p.m. to discuss strategic planning and development matters.

CARRIED

11. Out of In-Camera

Resolution No: 2024-23

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn the "In-Camera" session at 8:13 p.m.

CARRIED

12. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2024-24

Sisley/Pottinger

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 8:20 p.m.

CARRIED



D. Mayor – MURRAY PARROTT.



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn