

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEEPAWA MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 275 HAMILTON ST., NEEPAWA, MB

Present: Mayor Hedley, Deputy Mayor Parrott, Councillors Gerrard, Kostenchuk, Nadeau & Sisley (via Zoom), CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, ACAO Jodi Baker, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet, EDO Marilyn Crewe, Planning & Development Officer Jeff Braun

Regrets: Councillor Pottinger

Guests: Rrain Prior, NACTV & Eoin Devereaux – Neepawa Banner & Press

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

Resolution: 2024-78

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now sit as a “Committee of the Whole In-Camera” at 5:00 p.m. to discuss planning and development matters.

CARRIED

Resolution: 2024-79

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we recess the In-Camera session at 6:52 p.m.

CARRIED

2. 7:00 p.m. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2024-80

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for May 7, 2024.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2024-81

Parrott/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and the Public Hearing held April 16, 2024 and the Special Meeting held April 29, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Public Hearing (separate minutes)

- 7:05 p.m. – Variation Application V-01-2024 – Marvin & Devine Pili

5. Council Reports

5.1 Provincial-Municipal Justice Advisory Committee (PMJAC) – Mayor Hedley

- Recent meeting included discussions regarding the RCMP contract, body cameras and safety officers.

5.2 Recreation & Economic Development – CAO Synchyshyn on behalf of Councillor Sisley

- April 25th Job Fair was successful with over 20 businesses and 64 job seekers, which resulted in 12 hires.
- Applications are being accepted for the Storefront Improvement Program, contact EDO Crewe for details.

5.3 Various – Councillor Nadeau

- The Regional Library Board is participating in a project in Brandon related to obtaining oral histories from the historians in the community. Such a project would be valuable for Neepawa as well.
- A new veterinarian will be starting on May 13, 2024.
- Manitoba Trails Day is scheduled for June 1, 2024.

5.4 Beautiful Plains County Courthouse – Councillor Gerrard

- Interim budget has been approved with a final budget pending the resolve of discussions related to modernizing the municipal funding under *The Beautiful Plains County Buildings Act*.
- As per the legislated process under *The Act*, the Town has formally reached out to Minister Bushie of the Department of Municipal and Northern Relations for guidance.

6. Department Reports

6.1 Manager of Operations – Denis Saquet

- Wastewater Treatment Plant – currently waiting on the membrane material for the MBBR Tank.
- Phase 1 of Water Main to Hospital – the watermain is now live with potable water.
- A portion of the summer seasonal staff started May 6th.
- Participated in a bike tour of Neepawa with Urban Systems, who has been collectively working with Neepawa on an Active Transportation Plan. Now that the plan is complete, actions will be taken to prioritize routes, etc. and develop a fee proposal for 2025.
- Roadwork is underway with patching and fixing – both staff and contractors working on various areas.
- Pathways around Park Lake will be completed and graveled during May, weather permitting.

7. Correspondence

7.1 Neepawa & Area Settlement Services

- May 16th, Come & Go celebration in honour of Don Walmsley's retirement.

8. Finance

8.1 March Financial Statement

Resolution No. 2024-82

Nadeau/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby approve the Financial Statement for the month ended March 2024.

CARRIED

8.2 Accounts – April 2024

Resolution No. 2024-83

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for April 2024, totalling \$2,251,557.84, as reviewed and representing cheques #202400461 to #202400642, but excluding #202400553 & #202400608.

CARRIED

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

8.3 Accounts – April 2024 (HH & Coop)

Resolution No. 2024-84

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #202400553 & #202400608 for April 2024 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$8,286.21.

CARRIED

9. New Business

9.1 Variation Application V-01-2024 – Lots B & C, Plan 57056 at 700 Park Lake Drive (Pili)

Resolution No. 2024-85

Parrott/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve Variation Application V-01-2024 of Marvin & Devine Pili respecting Lots B & C, Plan 57056 at 700 Park Lake Drive to satisfy Subdivision 4437-23-8584 by allowing the following:

- reduce the site width for the proposed Lot 1 from the required 150 feet to the proposed 102.69 feet within the RR2 Rural Residential Zone; and

- reduce the site width for the proposed Lot 2 from the required 150 feet to the proposed 85.89 feet within the RR2 Rural Residential Zone.

CARRIED

9.2 Filipino Heritage Parade

Resolution No: 2024-86

Kostenchuk/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in order to facilitate the 2024 Filipino Heritage Parade scheduled for Saturday, June 15, 2024 @ 1:00p.m., we hereby authorize the closure of that part of Mountain Avenue from the Yellowhead Centre to Hamilton Steet and that part of Hamilton Street from Mountain Avenue eastward to the Riverbend Park. These portions of street to remain closed until the end of the parade.

CARRIED

9.3 Swimming Pool - Deck Repair

Resolution No: 2024-87

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we accept the proposal of Chisle Construction Ltd. to replace the pool deck paver stones with concrete, for an amount of \$17,474.63;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in order to ensure the pool deck is ready in time to open the pool, Town staff are prepared to assist Chisle with the removal of the paving stones, which the contractor agrees to credit against the overall project cost.

CARRIED

10. By-laws

10.1 By-Law 3230-24 Levy of Taxes for 2024 - 2nd Reading

Resolution No: 2024-88

Parrott/Gerrard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3230-24, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2024; to provide for a tax due date; and to provide for late payment penalties, be now read for a second time.

CARRIED

10.2 By-Law 3230-24 Levy of Taxes for 2024 - 3rd Reading

Resolution No: 2024-89

Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3230-24, being a By-Law of the Town of Neepawa to levy taxes for the year 2024; to provide for a tax due date; and to provide for late payment penalties, be now read for a third time and passed.

For: ALL; Against/Abstained: Nil

CARRIED

10.3 By-Law 3229-24 Amend Zoning of Lot 3, Bl. 1, Plan 33580 & Lots 5 & 6, Plan 65638 - 1st Reading

Resolution No: 2024-90

Gerrard/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 3229-24, being a by-law of the Town of Neepawa to amend the Town of Neepawa Zoning By-Law No. 3184-18 with the re-zoning of Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 33580 and Lots 5 & 6, Plan 65638 from "RS" Residential Single Unit Zone to "RT" Residential Two-Unit Zone, be now read for a first time.

CARRIED

12. Reconvene In-Camera

Resolution No: 2024-91

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we reconvene the in-camera session at 7:47 p.m.

CARRIED

14. Out of In Camera

Resolution No: 2024-92

Parrott/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED that we do now adjourn the "In-Camera" session at 9:30 p.m.

CARRIED

15. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2024-93


Nadeau/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Town of Neepawa do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 9:31 pm.

CARRIED



Mayor – Brian Hedley



CAO – Colleen Synchyshyn