

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEEPAWA REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025, 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 and Sisley, CAO Colleen Synchyshyn, Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

Guests: Jessica Omen, NACTV, Eoin Devereau – Neepawa Banner & Press

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2025-109

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the Regular Meeting agenda for June 3, 2025.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No: 2025-110

Nadeau/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and ~~two~~ Public Hearings held May 20, 2025, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Council Reports

3.1 Councillor Sisley – Recreation & Economic Development

- Successful Town side clean up held May 31st.
- Day camp is filling up fast with 5 out of the 6 weeks fully booked already.

3.2 Councillor Kostenchuk – Home Assistance Neepawa & District

- 95 persons took advantage of the income tax program.
- Working on a pancake breakfast fundraiser.

3.3 Deputy Mayor Parrott – Public Works & Infrastructure

- Meetings with parties interested in development in Neepawa continue
- Thank you to Town staff for their diligence in attending to the various projects and workload.

3.4 Councillor Nadeau

- Western Regional Library Board continues to look for a suitable vehicle for a bookmobile.
- Westlake Employment Skills & Service – work continues on filling the employment needs for the area.

4. Department Reports

4.1 Manager of Operations Denis Saquet

- Neepawa was awarded 594 trees under the 2 Billion Tree Program.
- Public Works will be extending the drain system by Brown Avenue along PTH 16.
- Dust suppression for the gravel roads is scheduled for June 6th.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Neepawa Area Development Corporation (NADCO) Ltd.

- 2024 Audited Financial Statements – received as information and filed.

5.2 Letter of Concern from Glennis Black

- Concerns with garbage, grass, and the general condition of Neepawa. Also concerned about kids on scooters with no helmets and the racing that occurs on Elizabeth Street.

5.3 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

- Neepawa received funding approval in amount of \$70,000 from the FCM in support of a project that will update and improve Neepawa's Climate Change Local Action Plan to incorporate the integration of equitable and inclusive climate adaptation planning.
- This project will premise grant applications for a potential capital project that would involve burying a fibre optic cable from the Town's well systems to the water treatment plant to mitigate against severe weather events that threaten the communications system and the associated infrastructure.

6. Finance

6.1 Accounts – May 2025

Resolution No: 2025-111

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the accounts for May 2025, totalling \$1,055,411.73, as reviewed and representing electronic fund transfers #809 to #939 and cheque #2025000332 to #2025000421, but excluding #2025000343 and #2025000405.

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.

6.2 Accounts – May 2025 (HH & Co-op)

Resolution No: 2025-112

Nadeau/Sisley

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve cheque #2024000343 & #2024000405 for May 2025 to Home Hardware and Neepawa Gladstone Co-op totalling \$5,954.50.

CARRIED

7. Unfinished Business

7.1 Void Property Sale

Resolution No: 2025-113

Parrott/Sisley

WHEREAS Council passed Resolution No. 2024-11 on January 16, 2024, approving the sale of Roll #123400 to Neepawa Drycleaning and Laundromat Ltd. subject to a development agreement;

AND WHEREAS to date, no development agreement has been finalized to premise concluding a sale;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council formally revoke the potential sale of Roll No.123400 to Neepawa Drycleaning and Laundromat Ltd. and formally close this file.

CARRIED

8. New Business

8.1 Neepawa Lions Club – Stoney Creek School

- Due to a lack of membership to keep the club viable, the few remaining members are in the process of winding down their organization, and in doing so, have offered the school to the Town so it can be preserved as a historical asset.

Resolution No: 2025-114

Kostenchuk/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we hereby accept the Stoney Creek School from the Neepawa Lion's Club effective June 30, 2025

CARRIED

8.2 Approve Truck Purchase

Resolution No: 2025-115

Sisley/Kostenchuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the purchase of a 2025 Ford Maverick from Westward Ford at a cost of \$38,664.00 plus taxes.

CARRIED

8.3 Approve Lease Agreement – P. Baker Backhoe Service

Resolution No: 2025-116

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we renew a lease agreement with P. Baker Backhoe Service respecting Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 32366 in SE 33-14-15W for a five-year term running January 1, 2025 until December 31, 2029.

CARRIED

8.4 Approve Purchase of Lost 1/3, Block 10, Plan 222

Resolution No: 2025-117

Gerrard/Parrott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we approve the purchase of Lots 1/3, Block 10, Plan 222 (Roll 41000 - 316 Fifth Ave) in SW 33-14-15W from Imperial Oil Limited for \$1.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT it is understood that the sale of this parcel by Imperial Oil to the Town of Neepawa is contingent on the requirement that this property shall not be used for any purpose other than that of a Public Reserve.

CARRIED

8. Other Business - Nil


9. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2025-118


Kostenchuk/Nadeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 7:20 pm.

CARRIED



Deputy Mayor - Murray Parrott



CAO - Colleen Synchishyn