

Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of Rainy River was held on Monday, June 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the municipal council chambers and via video conference (Zoom).

In attendance were Mayor Deb Ewald and Councillors Brent Helgeson, Larry Armstrong, Pat White, Neil Ivall and Gerry Pasloski. Councillor Kreger arrived later in the meeting.

Chief Administrative Officer Veldron Vogan recorded the minutes.

Opening Ceremonies, Moment of Silence, and Salute to the Queen

Mayor Deb Ewald opened the meeting with a moment of silence and a salute to the Queen.

Presentations/Delegations

No delegates were in attendance.

Additions, Deletions or Amendments

It was noted that there was a slight change to By-law 1816 near the end.

Motion #22-057 - Neil Ivall – Pat White

“That the agenda be accepted as amended.”

Carried

Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

Adoption of Minutes

Regular Council May 9, 2022

Motion #22-058 - Brent Helgeson – Neil Ivall

“To approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of May 9, 2022, as presented.”

Carried

Councillor Kreger arrived at the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Financials (as of May 31, 2022)

Discussion of a few of the payables took place. Councillor White asked if some funds could be set aside for the Best for Kitty organization in the future. Council will consider this request.

Councillor Martin Kreger declared a conflict regarding the accounts payable.

Motion #22-059 - Brent Helgeson – Larry Armstrong

“That approval be granted for the accounts payable for the month of May 2022 which have been paid in the following amounts:”

Town General	\$165,586.17
Water	\$ 60,068.90
Sewer	\$ 17,963.28
Cemetery	\$ 35.54
RRHCC	\$ 754.88

Carried

Reports from Unfinished Business

Further to the economic development officers report from May 9th meeting, it was noted that the youth grant has been supported once again by New Gold. A motion will be brought forward to council to approve our participation in this program again. This can be done at a special meeting when the budget is approved later in June.

NEW BUSINESS – COMMITTEE REPORTS (AS NEEDED)

Finance/Personnel – Mayor Deb Ewald and Councillors Neil Ivall (Finance Chair), Pat White (Personnel Chair), Martin Kreger and Larry Armstrong

Summer Students

Motion #22-060 - Neil Ivall – Pat White

“**THAT** the following individuals be hired for the 2022 summer student positions for the Corporation of the Town of Rainy River:

NAME	POSITION	RATE OF PAY	START DATE	
Isabella Matthew	Summer Student	minimum wage	TBA	
Belle Holmes	Summer Student	minimum wage	TBA	
Judge Beyak	Summer Student	minimum wage	TBA	
Erika Gerula	Summer Student	minimum wage	TBA	
Christina Gerula	Summer Student	minimum wage	TBA”	

Carried

Public Works/Water & Sewer/Recycling – Mayor Deb Ewald and Councillors Larry Armstrong (Chair), Brent Helgeson and Martin Kreger

Sanitation Site Caretaker Agreement

Motion #22-061 - Larry Armstrong – Brent Helgeson

“The Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of Rainy River hereby approves renewal of the Sanitation Site Caretaker Agreement with Dwight Hanson to be effective from July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025, at a rate of \$1,000/month.”

Carried

Economic Development/Tourism – Mayor Deb Ewald and Councillors Pat White and Neil Ivall

By-law 1814-22 – NOHFC Agreement (Railroad Daze)

Councillor Kreger declared a conflict regarding By-law 1814-22.

By-law 1814-22 was read by Councillor Brent Helgeson.

Motion #22-062 - Pat White – Brent Helgeson

“That By-law 1814-22, being a by-law to establish signing authority for the Conditional Contribution Agreement with Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC), having been read in open council, be hereby approved.”

Carried

Railroad Daze Road Closure

This motion was approved as amended.

Motion #22-063 - Pat White – Neil Ivall

“The Corporation of the Town of Rainy River hereby approves closure Fourth Street for Railroad Daze on Saturday, July 16, 2022, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.”

Carried

Beautification/Cemetery/Hannam Park – Mayor Deb Ewald and Councillors Larry Armstrong and Martin Kreger

By-law 1815-22 – Cemetery By-law

The first reading of By-law 1815-22 was given as follows: Mayor Deb Ewald, Councillors Larry Armstrong, Brent Helgeson, Neil Ivall, Gerry Pasloski, Pat White, Neil Ivall and Mayor Deb Ewald.

Some minor changes were made on pages 49, 50, 51 and 54.

Verbal Motion #22-063A – Larry Armstrong – Martin Kreger

“That By-law 1815-22 be taken as read a second time.”

Carried

Motion #22-064 - Gerry Pasloski – Brent Helgeson

“That By-law 1815-22, being a by-law to establish rules and regulations to be used in connection with Forest Lawn Cemetery, having been read the required number of times, be hereby approved.”

TABLED

(until By-law can be approved by the Bereavement Association of Ontario prior to council’s third reading)

Resolution – Annual Emergency Exercise Exemption (Muskoka)

Resolution #22-011 - Gerry Pasloski – Brent Helgeson

“**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of The Corporation of the Town of Rainy River hereby supports the District Municipality of Muskoka in requesting that the Province of Ontario amend Ontario Regulation 380/04 under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act to provide an exemption to the annual exercise requirement for municipalities that have activated their Emergency Control Group and/or Emergency Response Plan in response to an actual emergency that year in recognition of the significant resources used to respond to the emergency and the effectiveness of such response in evaluating the municipality’s emergency response plan and procedures.”

Carried

Confirming By-law

By-law 1816-22 to Confirm the Proceedings of Council

By-law 1816-22 was read by Councillor Martin Kreger.

Motion #22-065 - Pat White – Larry Armstrong

“That By-law 1816-22, being a by-law of the Town of Rainy River to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 13th day of June 2022, having been read in open council, be hereby approved.”

Carried

Next Meeting – Monday, July 11, 2022

Adjournment

Motion #22-066 - Gerry Pasloski

“There being no further business, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:57 p.m.”

Carried

Original Signed
Mayor

Original Signed
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer