

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held at the Municipal Office
On Wednesday, December 21, 2016

PRESENT: Mayor Ziggy Polkowski **REGRETS:** Councillor Mike McCooeye
Councillor Erwin Butikofer
Councillor Brian Wright
Councillor Roger Shott
Councillor Curtis Coulson
Councillor Bill Lankinen

Erika Kromm, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

- (a) Call to Order: Mayor Polkowski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- (b) Attendance: Attendance was recorded.
- (c) Accept/Amend the Agenda:

Res. No. 2016-12-303

Moved by: Councillor Butikofer
Seconded by: Councillor McCooeye

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda circulated for this regular meeting of Council be amended to:

- i) Add, as Item 4.9, a memo from the Solicitor-Clerk regarding blasting work for widening Lake Lenore Road and for destroying two beaver dams; and
- ii) Delete Item 7.3, as the Solicitor-Clerk was not in attendance.

CARRIED ✓

- (d) Declarations of Interest: No declarations of interest were received.

2. HEAR DEPUTATIONS FROM AUDIENCE MEMBERS:

No deputation requests were received for this meeting.

3. CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Minutes of the Open Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 7, 2016

Administration recommended that Council approve the minutes for both the open session (Item 3.1) and the Closed Session (Item 7.1), with any error corrections, as required.

- 3.2 Minutes of the meetings of the Economic Development Advisory Committee held on November 14, 2016
Administration recommended that Council receive the minutes with any error corrections, as required.
- 3.3 Voucher Report for the Previous Month
Administration recommended that Council receive the report for information.
- 3.4 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Administrative Activity
Administration recommended that Council receive the report for information.
- 3.5 Report from Working Roads Foreman Regarding Departmental Activity in the Preceding Month
Administration recommended that Council receive the report for information.
- 3.6 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Departmental Activity in the Preceding Month
Administration recommended that Council receive the report for information.
- 3.7 Correspondence from the Town of Richmond Hill, received December 9, Regarding Canada Post
Administration recommended that Council pass and circulate a supporting resolution.
- 3.8 Information Correspondence List (Distributed at the Meeting)
Administration Recommended that the Correspondence on the list be received for information.

Res. No. 2016-12-304

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the recommendations from Administration with respect to all of the items on the consent agenda portion of this evening's meeting, being Items 3.1 through 3.8, and Item 7.1 in the Closed Session portion of the agenda.

CARRIED ✓

There was some discussion regarding the portion of the Working Roads Foreman's report relating to road complaints (in Item 3.5). Starting in January, Administration is directed to include more information in the report relating to which complaints remain outstanding, and why. Complaints are to be assigned reference numbers for tracking purposes.

Councillor Butikofer raised some concerns regarding Item 3.7 and could not support passing the recommendation.

4. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED REQUIRING DIRECTION:

- 4.1 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Property at Zebedee Place and Accompanying Information from the Chief Building Official
Members present discussed the report and the information from the Chief Building Inspector.

Res. No. 2016-12-305

Moved by: Councillor Lankinen
Seconded by: Councillor Butikofer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the correspondence appended to the report be approved.

CARRIED ✓

4.2 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Emergency Management

Members present discussed the report.

Res. No. 2016-12-306

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
Seconded by: Councillor Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Butikofer be appointed as the primary CEMC and Councillor Shott and the Solicitor-Clerk, Rosalie Evans, be appointed as the secondary CEMC's.

CARRIED ✓

Councillor Shott agreed at this time to take on the role; however, he will be reviewing the time requirements and will notify Administration if it is too great a time commitment.

4.3 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding OGRA Conference Delegation Requests

Members reviewed the report. No direction was provided.

4.4 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Correspondence from Don Knibbs and Dick Facca, on behalf of the Lake Lenore Cottagers Association

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2016-12-307

Moved by: Councillor Wright
Seconded by: Councillor Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the correspondence appended to the report be approved.

CARRIED ✓

4.5 Report from the Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Boundary Road Agreement with Gillies Township

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2016-12-308

Moved by: Councillor Butikofer
Seconded by: Councillor Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agreement carry on as an informal renewal until both Councils have reviewed the agreement in the new year.

CARRIED ✓

4.6 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Submissions for Military Recognition Book page

Members present reviewed the submissions.

Res. No. 2016-12-309

Moved by: Councillor Shott

Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the art submission from Heather Sande be approved for the page in the military recognition book.

CARRIED ✓

4.7 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding LRMC Update

Members present reviewed and discussed the report.

4.8 Correspondence from the Township of Zorra, received December 6, 2016, Regarding Hydro Rates

Res. No. 2016-12-310

Moved by: Councillor Butikofer

Seconded by: Councillor Shott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Neebing supports the Township of Zorra and that this resolution be circulated to the same agencies as set out in the Township's resolution (excepting all Ontario Municipalities), and to the Township of Zorra.

CARRIED ✓

4.9 Estimate from Superior Drilling and Blasting

Mayor Polkowski provided an update on his meeting with Superior Drilling and Blasting. Quotations were being sought to blast two problematic beaver dams (one on Sturgeon Bay Road and one behind Blake Community Hall) and to widen Lake Lenore Road on the hill leading up to the lake. There was some discussion regarding the timing and clean-up of the blasting on Lake Lenore Road. The beaver dams could be done right away and Lake Lenore Road may be completed in early spring. One property owner, who was present at the meeting, advised Council that she attends the property five to six days a week year-round. She will leave her cell phone number with Administration for notification purposes.

As at the time of the meeting, the quotations were verbal, however, written quotations are anticipated to follow in the near future.

There was some discussion regarding ditching and culverts that are required on Lake Lenore Road.

Res. No. 2016-12-311

Moved by: Councillor Lankinen

Seconded by: Councillor Wright

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the blasting projects quoted by Superior Drilling and Blasting be approved, subject to the written quotations not exceeding the verbal quotations.

CARRIED ✓

5. TABLE BY-LAWS

5.1 By-law 2016-040 to appoint CEMCs and repeal By-laws 055-1987; 486-99 and 575-2004

Res. No. 2016-12-312

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
Seconded by: Councillor Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2016-040 to appoint One Community Emergency Management Co-ordinator and two alternate Community Emergency Management Co-ordinators, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.2 By-law 2016-041 to amend the Reserve Fund By-law to add a Reserve Fund for the Road Department

Res. No. 2016-12-313

Moved by: Councillor Lankinen
Seconded by: Councillor Butikofer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2016-041 to amend the Reserve Fund By-law to add a reserve fund for the road department, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

6. NEW BUSINESS - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members present had the opportunity to raise other items of new business at this point in the meeting.

Councillor Shott advised that he is registered to attend a biomass forum at the University and asked if anyone else would like to attend. Administration was directed to register Mayor Polkowski and Councillor Butikofer.

Mayor Polkowski requested that the council follow-up list be included on the next agenda.

Mayor Polkowski distributed the OPP call report. Administration was directed to follow-up on getting the new contract signed early in the new year.

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk provided an update on the septic tank at the municipal office. The septic tank is not functioning properly and has been scheduled to be emptied monthly until it can be replaced in the spring.

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk advised that the Province is doing consultation on the Rural Economic Development (RED) program. Administration was directed to forward the information to the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk advised that the location of John Coupland's Retirement party has changed to accommodate more people and that guests can bring spouses. Mayor Polkowski and his wife, Councillor Shott and his wife, and Councillor Butikofer will attend. Councillor Wright may attend and will confirm at a later date.

A brief recess was called at 7:08 p.m. to allow the chambers to clear prior to the Closed Session Agenda. Session resumed at 7:11 p.m.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

Res. No. 2016-12-314

Moved by: Councillor Lankinen

Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 7:11 p.m., Council close the next portion of the meeting to the public, under the authority of those paragraphs of Subsection 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 for which the meeting was closed, to consider item 7.1 (minutes of the Closed session of the prior Council meeting); and

Under paragraphs 239(2)(b) and (d) to consider item 7.2, involving personal matters about identifiable individuals and labour relations or employee negotiations;

CARRIED ✓

Members reviewed the item scheduled for closed session. During closed session, the following procedural resolution was passed:

Res. No. 2016-12-315

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 7:22 p.m., Council rise from closed session and report in open session.

CARRIED ✓

7.1 Minutes of the Closed Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 7, 2016

The approval of the minutes was included in the consent agenda resolution.

7.2 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Personnel Matters

Res. No. 2016-12-316

Moved by: Councillor Lankinen

Seconded by: Councillor Shott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Administration be authorized to proceed as directed in closed session.

CARRIED ✓

8. ADJOURN THE MEETING:

There being no further business to attend to, Mayor Polkowski adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL



Ziggy Polkowski
MAYOR



Erika Kromm
DEPUTY CLERK

