

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held at the Municipal Office
On Wednesday, June 19, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor Erwin Butikofer
 Councillor at Large Gordon Cuthbertson
 Crooks Councillor Brian Wright
 Pearson Councillor Gary Gardner
 Blake Councillor Mark Thibert
 Pardee Councillor Curtis Coulson
 Scoble Councillor Brian Kurikka

Erika Kromm, Treasurer-Deputy Clerk

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

- (a) Call to Order: Mayor Butikofer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- (b) Attendance: Attendance was recorded.
- (c) Town Hall Segment:

There were no attendees for the Town Hall segment of the meeting.

- (d) Accept/Amend the Agenda:

Res. No. 2019-06-140

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
 Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda circulated for this regular meeting of Council be amended to delete Items 4.8 and 4.10 from the agenda, and to re-number the confirmation By-law as 2019-028, and that the agenda, as so amended, be approved.

CARRIED ✓

- (e) Declarations of Interest:

No declarations of interest were brought forward.

2. HEAR DEPUTATIONS FROM AUDIENCE MEMBERS:

No depositions had been scheduled for this meeting of Council.

3. CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Administration had recommended approval of the minutes, together with the Closed Session minutes at Item 7.1, with any error corrections, as required.

- 3.2 Minutes of the meeting of the Neebing Economic Development Advisory Committee held on June 3, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be received.
- 3.3 Minutes of the meeting of the Neebing Recreation Committee held on June 10, 2019
Administration had that the minutes be received.
- 3.4 Minutes of the meeting of the Neebing Waste Management Committee held on April 8, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be received.
- 3.5 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Administrative Activity
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.6 Report from Working Roads Foreman Regarding Departmental Activity in May
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.7 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Departmental Activity in May
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.8 Report from Treasurer/Deputy Clerk regarding OES Agreement
Administration had recommended that the Agreement be authorized for signature, as presented.
- 3.9 Voucher Report for the Previous Month
Administration had recommended that the vouchers be approved.
- 3.10 Information Correspondence List
Administration had recommended that the correspondence be received.

Res. No. 2019-06-141

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka
Seconded by: Councillor Cuthbertson

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 3.10, and Item 7.1, and that Items 7.2 and 7.3 be received for information.

CARRIED ✓

4. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED REQUIRING DIRECTION:

4.1 Report from Treasurer Regarding 2019 Budget Finalization

Members present reviewed the report. The Treasurer responded to questions.

Res. No. 2019-06-142

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the 2019 Budget, as presented.

CARRIED ✓

4.2 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Council Composition

Members present discussed the options outlined in the Report. On consensus, Administration was directed to draft a letter or other information package for distribution to all ratepayers, and then to set up some public meetings for discussion.

4.3 Report from Solicitor-Clerk and Treasurer Regarding the 2019 Final Tax Bill Insert

Members present discussed the Report. The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk responded to questions.

Res. No. 2019-06-143

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the draft Tax Bill Insert be amended as follows:

- a) The word "important" appears three times in the first two sentences, and requires an edit to avoid this;
- b) Delete the clause about cultural awareness training in the first paragraph of the Message from Mayor and Council;
- c) Change "will be" to "may be" in the third paragraph of the Message from Mayor and Council;
- d) Delete the phrase "if not for them – Council's workload would be significantly increased" in the last paragraph of the Message from Mayor and Council; and
- e) Under "fire permits", add that they are also available at Green Acres Variety in Gillies;

AND FURTHER, THAT the insert, as so amended, be approved.

CARRIED ✓

4.4 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding AMO Conference.

Members present discussed the Report. The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk responded to questions.

Res. No. 2019-06-144

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Cuthbertson be authorized to attend the AMO conference in August, together with the Treasurer/Deputy Clerk;

AND, FURTHER, THAT Administration is authorized to submit the following delegation requests on behalf of Neebing Council:

- a) The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the review of the Provincial Policy Statement;
- b) The Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding the restrictions on the use of Lake Superior water for household use;
- c) The Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding the acceptance of proven waste disposal options other than landfill;
- d) The Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry regarding the CLTIP program; and

- e) The appropriate Minister (either or both Environment, Conservation and Parks and Natural Resources and Forestry) regarding Provincial Crown lands Neebing is interested in acquiring.

CARRIED ✓

4.5 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding fees for Rental of Blake Hall

Members present reviewed the Report, which provides the feedback to Council from the Neebing Recreation Committee's review of the report relating to hall fees charged in other municipalities.

Res. No. 2019-06-145

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the recommendations of the Recreation Committee to increase the fees as set out in the Report;
AND, FURTHER, THAT the increase take effect on January 1st, 2020;
AND, FURTHER, THAT the reservation already received for a 2020 booking be "grandfathered" at today's rental rates.

CARRIED ✓

4.6 Report from the Tender Review Committee regarding the Tender for a Pintle Hitch Trailer and the Request for Proposals for Playground equipment for the Alf Olsen Memorial Park

Members present discussed the Report.

Res. No. 2019-06-146

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the recommendations of the Tender Review Committee to award the contract for the purchase of a Pintle Hitch Trailer to Western Star Sales Thunder Bay Ltd., and to award the contract for the purchase of playground equipment for the Alf Olsen Memorial Park to Blue Imp;

AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor and Solicitor-Clerk are authorized to sign any implementing contracts, purchase orders or other documentation.

CARRIED ✓

4.7 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Scheduling a second Public Meeting to Further Process an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment and Official Plan Amendment

Members present discussed the Report.

Res. No. 2019-06-147

Moved by: Councillor
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a special meeting of Council, sitting as Committee of the Whole, be scheduled for Wednesday, July 31st, 2019, commencing at 5:30 p.m., at the Blake Hall, for the purpose of reviewing and receiving comments on the amended application for re-zoning and for an Official Plan amendment for the property at the south west corner of the intersection of Highway 61 and Boundary Drive West.

CARRIED ✓

4.8 Report from Economic Development Officer intern Regarding "New Horizons" Grant Application

This matter had been deleted from the agenda by Resolution 2019-06-140.

4.9 Correspondence from Shannon Dodd-Smith, received June 10th, Regarding Alf Olsen memorial Park Development

Members present discussed the correspondence. No resolution was passed.

4.10 Correspondence from Lucy Kloosterhuis, Mayor, Oliver Paipoonge, received June 12th, Requesting support to oppose the Designated Truck Toure by attending Thunder Bay City Council meeting on Monday, June 17th.

This matter had been deleted from the agenda by Resolution 2019-06-140.

4.11 Correspondence from the Town of Georgina, Received June 14th, seeking support for its Resolution asking the Province for more action on Waste

Members present discussed the correspondence. No resolution was passed.

5. TABLE BY-LAWS

5.1 By-law 2019-024 to Set the 2019 Tax Ratios

Res. No. 2019-06-148

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-024, to set the 2019 tax ratios, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.2 By-law 2019-025 to Set the 2019 Tax Rates

Res. No. 2019-06-149

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-025, to set the 2019 tax rates, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.3 By-law 2019-026 to Adopt the 2019 Municipal Budget

Res. No. 2019-06-150

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka

Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-026, to adopt the 2019 municipal budget, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.4 By-law 2019-027 to Authorize the Execution of the International Emergency Mutual Assistance Agreement

Res. No. 2019-06-151

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka

Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-027, to authorize execution of the International Emergency Mutual Assistance Agreement, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

6. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Coulson reported that the 2019 NFRA Tailgate sale was a success; the volunteers ran out of food.

Councillor Butikofer commented that the Strategic Plan prepared by Council should be revised to include more detail.

Councillor Cuthbertson discussed a potential economic development opportunity relating to an auxiliary customs officer to facilitate crossing the international border to the United States by boat.

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk advised that the Working Roads Foreman had requested a tour for the Roads Committee members to view the sites for some of the complaints recently recorded. The tour was scheduled for Thursday, June 27th at 9:00 a.m.

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk advised that both the Asset Management Consultant RFP and the RFP for a new fire truck had been posted earlier today.

The Treasurer/Deputy Clerk advised that Councillor Coulson, the Solicitor-Clerk and the Working Roads Foreman will be attending at the Alf Olsen Memorial Park to review siting for the various improvements.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

Council did not resolve into Closed Session at this meeting.

Closed Session Matters

- 7.1 Minutes of the Closed Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 5, 2019
- 7.2 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Potential Legal Issue
- 7.3 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Personnel Matters

Minutes were approved and the reports received under Resolution 2019-06-141, passed earlier in the meeting.

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

- 8.1 By-law 2019-028 to Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

Res. No. 2019-06-152

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-028, to confirm the proceedings of the meeting, be passed as presented in the agenda.

CARRIED ✓

9. ADJOURN THE MEETING

There being no further business to attend to, Mayor Butikofer adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL


Erwin Butikofer
MAYOR


Erika Kromm
TREASURER-DEPUTY CLERK