

Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of Rainy River was held on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the municipal council chambers.

In attendance were Mayor Deborah Ewald and Councillors Joel Hagarty, Gordon Prost, Neil Ivall and Daniel Armstrong.

Giving regrets were Councillors Martin Kreger and Brent Helgeson.

Chief Administrative Officer Veldron Vogan recorded the minutes.

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

Mayor Deborah Ewald opened the meeting with a moment of silence and a salute to the King.

Additions, Deletions or Amendments

Councillor Prost asked to add a discussion of some Locum House business at the end of the agenda.

Motion #23-022 - Neil Ivall – Gordon Prost

“That the agenda be accepted as amended.”

Carried

Disclosure of Interest

No disclosures of interest were made.

Presentations/Delegations

No delegates were in attendance.

Adoption of Minutes

Regular Council February 13, 2023

Motion #23-023 - Gordon Prost – Neil Ivall

“To approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 13, 2023, as amended.”

Carried

Financials (as of February 13, 2023)

Motion #23-024 - Gordon Prost – Daniel Armstrong

“That approval be granted for the accounts payable for the month of February 2023 which have been paid in the following amounts:”

Town General	\$134,129.76
Water	\$ 15,788.32
Sewer	\$ 202.27
RRHCC	\$ 921.64

Carried

Reports from Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to report.

NEW BUSINESS – COMMITTEE REPORTS (AS NEEDED)

Finance/Personnel – Mayor Deborah Ewald and Councillors Neil Ivall, Martin Kreger and Daniel Armstrong

AMCTO Zone 9 Conference

Motion #23-025 - Neil Ivall – Gordon Prost

“That Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Julie Tiboni attends the AMCTO Zone 9 Spring Meeting and Conference in Thunder Bay on May 9 - 10, 2023 with expenses paid as per policy.”

Carried

Public Works/Water & Sewer/Recycling – Mayor Deborah Ewald and Councillors Martin Kreger, Brent Helgeson, Gordon Prost, Neil Ivall and Joel Hagarty

By-law 1840-23 - Misc. User Fees By-law Amendment – Sewer Permit Fees

The reading of By-law 1840-23 was given by Councillor Neil Ivall.

Motion #23-026 - Daniel Armstrong – Neil Ivall

“That By-law 1840-23, being a by-law to amend the miscellaneous user fee by-law, having been read the required number of times, be hereby approved.”

Carried

OCWA Standard Care Course

It was noted that Councillor Gordon Prost should be added to the list of attendees for this course.

Motion #23-027 - Joel Hagarty – Daniel Armstrong

“That Councillors Daniel Armstrong, Joel Hagarty, Gordon Prost and Martin Kreger attend the OCWA Standard Care Course in Fort Frances on April 4, 2023, with expenses paid as per policy.”

Carried

Property/By-laws/AMBIS – Councillors Brent Helgeson and Gordon Prost

By-law 1841-23 - Revised Site Plan Control By-law Amendments

The reading of By-law 1841-23 was given by Councillor Gordon Prost.

Motion #23-028 - Daniel Armstrong – Joel Hagarty

“That By-law 1841-23, being a by-law to amend the Revised Site Plan Control By-law, having been read the required number of times, be hereby approved.”

Carried

By-law 1842-23 to Appoint Persons to Approve Site Plans and Drawings

The reading of By-law 1842-23 was given by Councillor Joel Hagarty.

Motion #23-029 - Neil Ivall – Gordon Prost

“That By-law 1842-23, being a by-law to appoint persons to approve site plans and drawings, having been read the required number of times, be hereby approved.”

Carried

Economic Development/Tourism – Mayor Deborah Ewald and Councillors Martin Kreger, Daniel Armstrong, Neil Ivall and Joel Hagarty

New Gold Youth Grant

Motion #23-030 - Joel Hagarty – Neil Ivall

“**THAT** the Town Council of the Corporation of the Town of Rainy River hereby participates in the West Rainy River New Gold Youth Grant for 2023 through a \$500.00 donation.

AND FURTHER THAT Joel Hagarty be appointed as the Town of Rainy River’s

representative to the West Rainy River New Gold Youth Grant review committee.”

Carried

NOHFC Grant Application for Trade Show

Resolution #23-004 - Joel Hagarty – Daniel Armstrong

“**WHEREAS** an application for funding has been submitted to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) for the 2023 Rainy River Trade Show;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of The Corporation of the Town of Rainy River hereby supports this funding application and hereby agrees to cover any cost overruns that may be incurred for the 2023 Rainy River Trade Show.”

Carried

Other Business

Huron/Warden – Review of Cannabis Act Resolution

Resolution #23-005 - Gordon Prost – Joel Hagarty

“**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of The Corporation of the Town of Rainy River hereby supports The Council of the County of Huron in approving the report by CAO Meighan Wark dated February 1, 2023, titled Report to Council: Cannabis Act Information as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT The Council of the County of Huron advocate for improvements to the Cannabis Act and current legislative framework for cannabis in Canada by sending the report titled Report for Council: Cannabis Act Information, including the correspondence found in the appendices, to the Western Ontario Warden’s Caucus (WOWC) for discussion and consideration.”

Carried

Locum House

Discussion took place about whether the full amount of the required work at the locum house had been discussed and if the Building Official had been consulted in this regard. CBO Henry Van Ael will be given a copy of the tender for review and for his suggestions for remedial actions required. The Locum House Committee is meeting on April 14th at 10:00 a.m.

Confirming By-law

By-law 1843-23 to Confirm the Proceedings of Council

The reading of By-law 1843-23 was given by Mayor Deborah Ewald.

Motion #23-031 - Joel Hagarty – Neil Ivall

“That By-law 1843-23, 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 March 2023, having been read in open council, be hereby approved.”

Carried

Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Adjournment

Motion #23-032 - Neil Ivall

“There being no further business, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:19 p.m.”

Carried

Original Signed

Mayor

Original Signed

Chief Administrative Officer