

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held at the Municipal Office
On Wednesday, March 20, 2019

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

REGRETS: Pardee Councillor Curtis Coulson

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. 2019-03-067

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka
Seconded by: Councillor Cuthbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda circulated for this regular meeting of Council be approved as distributed.

CARRIED ✓

- (e) Declarations of Interest:

No declarations of interest were brought forward.

2. HEAR DEPUTATIONS FROM AUDIENCE MEMBERS:

2.1 Chris Vaclav from Design House will address Council regarding the Trial Period for Neebing News

Ms. Vaclav requested feedback from members present regarding the trial period for the Neebing News. It was felt that things have been going well so far. There has been a fair bit of positive feedback from the public. Ms. Vaclav will investigate a couple of locations where there appears to have been some delivery problems. The trial period will continue until the end of the agreed six-month period to allow opportunity for seasonal residents to

provide input.

Ms. Vaclav left the chambers at 6:15 p.m.

3. CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- 3.1 Minutes of the Special meeting of Council, sitting as Committee of the Whole, held on March 1, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be approved, with any error corrections, as required.
- 3.2 Minutes of the Open Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 6, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be approved, with any error corrections, as required.
- 3.3 Minutes of the meeting of the Neebing Economic Development Advisory Committee held on March 4, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be received.
- 3.4 Minutes of the meeting of the Neebing Recreation Committee held on March 11, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be received.
- 3.5 Voucher Report for the previous month
Administration had recommended that the vouchers be approved.
- 3.6 Report from Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Regarding Administrative Activity
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.7 Report from Working Roads Foreman Regarding Departmental Activity in the preceding month
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.8 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Departmental Activity in the preceding month
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.9 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding By-law at Item 5.1 of the Agenda.
Administration had recommended that the report be received.
- 3.10 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Correspondence Received from constituents Relative to the Alf Olsen Center
Administration had recommended that the report be reviewed once other constituents' feedback has been obtained.
- 3.11 Information Correspondence List
Administration had recommended that the correspondence be received.

Councillor Kurikka pointed out that in Item 3.1, both Councillors Thibert and Kurikka were marked as present but had actually been absent from the meeting. The minutes should be corrected to show both members as absent.

Mayor Butikofer advised that he made a statement during the public meeting at Item 3.1 that wasn't quite correct. It was stated that Neebing did not receive any compensation for farm land through the OMPF farm area measure. However, part of the OMPF formula includes a rural area measure. Since Neebing has a 100% rural area measure, the farm area measure would only add a small top-up to the grant funding.

Res. No. 2019-03-068

Moved by: Councillor Wright
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

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 (as amended), through 3.11, as well as Item 7.1 in the Closed Session portion of the agenda.

CARRIED ✓

4. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED REQUIRING DIRECTION:

4.1 Report from Treasurer Regarding Transfer from Reserve Funds for Forest Fire Expenses

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2019-03-069

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes Administration to transfer \$16,018.26 from the Fire Fighting Reserve Fund to cover the invoice from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry for the June 14, 2018 forest fire near Lautsch Road.

CARRIED ✓

4.2 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Fire Number Policy

Members present reviewed the report. There was some concern about locating people who may require emergency assistance while using temporary entrances. Administration was directed to change the provision at Section 6 of the policy to state that the municipality will assign a fire number for temporary entrances. The property owner will be required to post a sign that meets a standard set by the Fire Chief.

Res. No. 2019-03-070

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the Fire Number Policy appended to the report as amended.

CARRIED ✓

4.3 Correspondence from the Municipality of Red Lake, received March 4th, Regarding Cuts to the Indigenous Culture Fund

Members present reviewed the correspondence

No resolution was passed.

4.4 Correspondence from the Town of Saugeen Shores, received March 4th, Regarding applicability of Infrastructure Funding to Recreation and Culture infrastructure

Members present reviewed the correspondence

No resolution was passed.

4.5 Correspondence from the Township of Burpee and Mills regarding Neebing's CLTIP resolution

Members present discussed the correspondence. Administration was directed to send a letter to the Township of Burpee and Mills advising them that Council agrees with their position about requesting a cap on conservation land and that any future resolutions will reflect that position. In addition, Administration was directed to put forward a revision to the Lakehead Rural Municipal Coalition to amend the Rural Action Plan to reflect this position.

No resolution was passed.

4.6 Correspondence from the City of Quinte West, received March 13, 2019, Regarding Efforts to Reduce water bottle use in Municipal Operations

Members present discussed the correspondence. Administration was directed to stop purchasing water bottles for Council and where possible use reusable drinking containers.

Res. No. 2019-03-071

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Neebing supports the City of Quinte West's efforts to reduce the use of bottled water,
AND THAT the Municipality of Neebing will make efforts to reduce or eliminate the use of bottled water in municipal operations wherever possible.

CARRIED ✓

4.7 Correspondence from the Township of South Stormont, received March 6, 2019, Regarding OMPF review

Members present reviewed the correspondence

No resolution was passed.

4.8 Correspondence from the Ontario Good Roads Association, received March 6, 2019, Regarding OGRA wishing to work with ROMA to re-establish a joint annual conference

Members present reviewed the correspondence

Res. No. 2019-03-072

Moved by: Councillor Thibert

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED the Municipality of Neebing supports the Municipality of Markstay-Warren in requesting the OGRA Board to approach the ROMA Board to organize an OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference.

CARRIED ✓

5. TABLE BY-LAWS

5.1 By-law 2019-012 to amend By-law 2015-020 (delegation of authority to Working Roads Foreman) to delegate authority to impose and lift "Half Load" Restrictions

Res. No. 2019-03-073

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2019-012, to amend the by-law to delegate authority to impose and lift "Half Load" Restrictions (By-law 2015-020), be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.2 By-law 2019-013 to restrict loads on Sturgeon Bay Road year-round

Members present discussed the by-law. Some concern was expressed about what the impacts of year-round restriction would mean for building and future development in the area.

Administration was directed to refer this matter to the Roads Committee for review and that a report with more information be brought back to a future regular meeting of Council.

6. NEW BUSINESS - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Butikofer advised of a conversation held with Mr. Chaschuk in which he was told that the Chaschuk gravel pit on "Pit Road" remains active.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

Res. No. 2019-03-074

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 6:54 p.m., Council will enter closed session under the authority of paragraph 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, to consider items 7.1 and 7.2, involving personal matters about identifiable individuals.

CARRIED ✓

During Closed Session, the following procedural resolution was passed:

Res. No. 2019-03-075

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 7:10 p.m., Council rise from Closed Session and report in Open Session.

CARRIED ✓

Matters Arising from Closed Session:

7.1 Minutes of the Closed Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 6, 2019

The approval of the minutes was included in the consent agenda resolution. No errors or omissions were noted.

7.2 Report from Treasurer Regarding Council OMERS Contributions

Res. No. 2019-03-076

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, with respect to Item 7.2 on this evening's Closed Session agenda, Administration is authorized to proceed as directed in Closed Session;

CARRIED ✓

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

8.1 By-law 2019-014 to Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

Res. No. 2019-03-077

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-014, 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 7:11 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL


Erwin Butikofer
MAYOR


Erika Kromm
TREASURER-DEPUTY CLERK

