

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

Held at the Municipal Office
On Wednesday, May 15, 2019

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

REGRETS: Mayor Erwin Butikofer

Erika Kromm, Treasurer-Deputy Clerk

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

(a) Call to Order: Deputy Mayor Wright 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. 2019-05-116

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda circulated for this regular meeting of Council be amended to add, as Item 4.6, a report regarding Camp Med, and, as Item 7.3, a report regarding an offer to purchase municipal property, 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 Deputations had been requested or scheduled for this meeting.

3. CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- 3.1 Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on May 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 May 1, 2019
Administration had recommended that the minutes be approved, for both the open session (Item 3.1) and the Closed Session (Item 7.1), with any error corrections, as required.
- 3.3 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Administrative Activity
Administration had recommended that the Report be received.
- 3.4 Report from Working Roads Foreman Regarding Departmental Activity in the preceding month
Administration had recommended that the Report be received.
- 3.5 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Departmental Activity in the preceding month
Administration had recommended that the Report be received.
- 3.6 Report from Treasurer Regarding Tax incentive programs (costs, etc.)
Administration had recommended that the Report be received.
- 3.7 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Documents for Destruction
Administration had recommended that the shredding as set out in the Report be approved.
- 3.8 Voucher Report for the previous month
Administration had recommended that the vouchers be approved.
- 3.9 Information Correspondence List
Administration had recommended that the correspondence be received for information.

Res. No. 2019-05-117

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka

Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

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 3.9, as well as Item 7.1 in the Closed Session portion of the agenda.

CARRIED ✓

Councillor Coulson pointed out that the repairs to the Blake Hall roof have not yet been completed. Administration was directed to request that the contractor not put the snow stops back on the roof.

4. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED REQUIRING DIRECTION:

4.1 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding Roadside Grass Cutting & Audit Contracts

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2019-05-118

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council waives the requirements of the purchasing by-law in order to sol-source a 5-year extension to the expired contract for the municipal audits by BDO Canada LLT, on the basis that it would be disruptive to the administration of the Municipality to change audit firms at this time.

AND FURTHER THAT Council waives the requirements of the purchasing by-law in order to sole-source a 2-year extension to the expired contract with Daniel Vanlente Mechanical for the roadside grass cutting, on the basis that there are few service providers, that the existing contractor is familiar with the municipal road system and has performed well over the past four years.

CARRIED ✓

4.2 Correspondence from Dick Facca, received May 2, 2019, regarding Lake Lenore Subdivision (M-64) – Private Road on Subdivision Road Allowance

Members present discussed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2019-05-119

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to advise the correspondent that Council's position as stated in the correspondence dated February 12, 2019 has not changed.

CARRIED ✓

4.3 Correspondence from the Canadian Hemp Farmers Alliance, received by Councillor Kurikka on May 7th, seeking funding for research and development.

Members present discussed the correspondence. No resolution was passed.

Administration was directed to forward the information to the Thunder Bay Agricultural Research Station.

4.4 Correspondence from the Township of Mulmar, received on May 8th, seeking support for its resolution relating to reforms to aggregate controls.

Members present discussed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2019-05-120

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka
Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing supports the resolution passed by the Township of Mulmur regarding Aggregate Reform.

CARRIED ✓

4.5 Correspondence from three Municipalities seeking support for resolutions (and, in one case, participating in a petition) relating to the Provincial decision to cut funding for library service organizations

Members present discussed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2019-05-121

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing supports the resolutions passed by the Townships of Mulmur, McKellar and Essa regarding cuts to the interlibrary transfer service.

CARRIED ✓

Administration was directed to put the petition from the Township of Essa at the front counter at the municipal office and on the website.

4.6 Report from Solicitor-Clerk Regarding "Camp Med" Student Acceptance

Members present discussed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2019-05-122

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka
Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes Administration to pay the enrollment fee for the Neebing resident who was accepted into Camp Med at Lakehead University.

CARRIED ✓

5. TABLE BY-LAWS

No by-laws were submitted for passage at this meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

The Deputy Clerk advised Council regarding two upcoming training sessions. The Essentials for Municipal Fire Protection being held on May 28 and Emergency Management training for senior management and elected officials on June 5.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the Cemetery Board has resolved to ask Council to re-consider installing a fence at the cemetery. Administration was directed to include this matter as part of the next budget meeting.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the Lakehead Purchasing Consortium is preparing a tender for travel agency services and asked if Council wishes to participate. On consensus, it was decided not to participate.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

Council did not enter Closed Session at this meeting. Item 7.1 scheduled for Closed Session had been approved with the Consent Agenda resolution, and Item 7.2 had been provided for information. Further, Council had discussed tabling the matter at Item 7.3 during open session.

Res. No. 2019-05-123

Moved by: Councillor Coulson
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item 7.3 in the Closed Session Agenda be tabled until the regular meeting of Council on June 5, 2019.

CARRIED ✓

8. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

8.1 By-law 2019-021 to Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

Res. No. 2019-05-124

Moved by: Councillor Thibert
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2019-021, 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, Deputy Mayor Wright adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Brian Wright
DEPUTY MAYOR

Erika Kromm
TREASURER-DEPUTY CLERK