

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

666TH MEETING OF COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 1, 2010 – 6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor G. Nelson
Councillors: K. Pristanski
S. Park
S. Carruthers
B. Gray
Chief Administrative Officer M. Groulx
Community Development Officer L. Fredericks (6:30-8:00)

Meeting opened with a presentation by M.K. Ince and Assoc. Ltd. on a proposal for a wind energy project. Two basic options were presented for a single turbine 2 MW project. Option 1 – run by an independent operator at no cost to the township and township benefits from associated taxation revenues (*proposed roi of 6.8% does not appear attractive to an outside investor*). Option 2 – joint venture between township and a second entity with and 80/20 debt to equity ratio. (*requires a minimum contribution up front of \$537,000 up front and annual debt payments of \$207,060 for 15 years for each partner and proposes an roi of 16%*) The two initial obstacles to resolve would be to acquire a power purchase agreement with OPG and an approved site to house the wind turbine. Approval process can take 1 to 1.5 years and is administered by the M.O.E. at an estimated cost in excess of \$100,000. There was no business arising from the presentation.

Council listened to a proposal affiliated with Minor Hockey to establish a competitive Midget A girl's hockey team to be based out of Red Rock which was requesting a new score clock to be installed, a new public address system, either expansion of one or more existing dressing rooms or a new dressing room (*no information was provided as to the required size of the dressing room(s)*), and rescheduling of operating hours of the recreation center to satisfy the needs of minor hockey (*availability of staff could be an issue*). CDO was directed to investigate funding options for a clock and P/A system (*approx. \$15,000*). The dressing room request could prove quite costly and will require the services of a structural/design engineer first and foremost to assess options and provide class B costs if and when it is known what accommodations and dimensions are provided. It was noted that provision of same if affordable could not assure completion by the fall of 2010. No direction was given at this time as to how to proceed.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest proclaimed.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the January 18, 2010 meeting of council were approved.

Res. #1: Moved by S. Carruthers, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that the minutes of the January 18, 2010 regular meeting of Council be approved.

Carried

Res. #2: Moved by B. Gray, seconded by S. Carruthers
 Be it resolved that the following payment vouchers be approved:

| PAYMENT VOUCHERS | CHEQUE NOS. | AMOUNT |
|------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| 01/22 | 35774-35795 | \$ 19,531.68 |
| 01/28 | 35796-35820 | \$ 49,252.35 |
| PAYROLL | | |
| Jan. 25 | 9691 – 9716 | <u>\$ 20,895.11</u> |
| | | \$ 89,679.14 |

Carried

Res. #3: Moved by S. Park, seconded by K. Pristanski
 Be it resolved that the following members of council be authorized to attend the 2010 NOMA Annual General Meeting in Marathon, Ontario April 21 thru April 24, 2010:

Gary Nelson
 Kal Pristanski

Carried

Res. #4: Moved by K. Pristanski, seconded by B. Gray
 Be it resolved that the Council move into Committee of the Whole at 8:20 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- A proposed or pending acquisition for land for municipal or local board purposes.

Carried

Res. #5: Moved by K. Pristanski, seconded by S. Park
 Be it resolved that Council come out of Committee of the Whole at 8:28 p.m.

Carried

Res. #6: Moved by K. Pristanski, seconded by S. Park
 Be it resolved that the CAO be authorized to investigate acquiring ownership of Lot 144 and Pt. Lot 143 on Plan 780.

Carried

BY-LAWS

A by-law to appoint part-time employees was deferred to the next meeting of council.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Nelson reviewed the correspondence with council.

There was no business arising from the correspondence.

Council approved usage of the township logo in the Nipigon-Red Rock Policing Committee pamphlet.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Officer

The C.A.O. reviewed his written report with council.

Payment vouchers for payroll and operations were submitted for approval.

Council advised that approval had been given to the High School to use the curling rink public viewing area as an alternative learning classroom at no charge.

Council approved installation of curling ice by volunteers for winter carnival contrary to recommendations of the CAO who expressed concerns related to limited access through a non public area.

Community Development Officer

The Community Development Officer reviewed her written report with council.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Council reviewed the following minutes as submitted:

Recreation Advisory Committee – January 13, 2010

Library Board – January 13, 2010

TBDSSAB – November 19, 2009

Police Services Board – December 16, 2009

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council moved into committee-of-the-whole to discuss proposed land acquisition.

CAO is to investigate acquiring ownership of Lot 144 & Pt. Lot 143 on Plan 780 to ensure lane access off of Rankin Street.

NEW BUSINESS

Attendance at NOMA in Marathon in April was approved for two members of council.

Appointment of part-time staff was deferred to the next meeting of council.

Res. #7: Moved by B. Gray, seconded by S. Carruthers
Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:35p.m.

Carried.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk