

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

876th MEETING OF COUNCIL

APRIL 15th, 2019

Present:	Mayor	G. Nelson
	Councillors:	S. Park
		D. Robinson
		L. Woods
		G. Muir
	Chief Administrative Officer	A. Headrick
	Public Works Superintendent	B. Westerman
	Fire Chief	R. Pitre

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

None

PRESENTATION

Brooke Jean presented to Council her plan for a “Virtual Walk for Arthritis” in Red Rock on June 1st, 2019. She briefly explained to Council the process and route of the Virtual walk and answered all questions posed to her by Council. Brooke requested that information about the walk to be put on the Township social media and website. Mayor and Council thanked Brooke for her presentation.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the April 1, 2019 regular meeting of Council were approved as presented.

BY-LAWS

None

RESOLUTIONS

Res. #1: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
Be it resolved that the minutes of the Monday, April 1, 2019 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

Carried

Res. #2: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
Be it resolved that the following payments be approved:

PAYMENT	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
DATE		
04/05- 04/09	1184 - 1210	\$ 27,742.36
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PAYROLL		
04/11	10618 – 10637	\$ 21,296.75
04/11	10638 – 10644	\$ 4,655.34
		\$ 25,952.09
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>\$ 53,694.45</u>

Carried

- Res. #3: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
Be it resolved that the Township of Red Rock supports the Municipality of Neebing's resolution numbered #2019-02-023 and that Zone 9 be divided into two different geographical zones; one for Northwestern Ontario and one for Northeastern Ontario.
- Carried
- Res. #4: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
Be it resolved that The Township of Red Rock supports the Municipality of Neebing's resolution request numbered #2019-02-024 that the Rural Ontario Municipal Association limit the number of votes per Municipality to one; and
- Further it be resolved that the Rural Ontario Municipal Association allow Municipal Councils, by resolution, to give proxies to representatives of other Municipalities attending the conference, to vote on their behalves.
- Carried
- Res. #5: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
Be it resolved that Council Chambers be temporarily moved from the Community Development Office to the Marina Building conference room while the building is open for the season. This change will commence June 3, 2019 and remain until the last meeting of September.
- Carried
- Res. #6: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
Be it resolved that the Township of Red Rock Sponsor the Top of Lake Superior Chamber of Commerce 2019 Awards Ceremony in the amount of \$250.00.
- Carried
- Res. #7: Moved by L. Woods, seconded by G. Muir
Be it resolved that Council direct the CAO to engage the Ministry of Transportation in relation to the ownership of Trout Creek Bridge on HWY 628.
- Carried
- Res. #8: Moved by L. Woods, seconded by G. Muir
Be it resolved that Council approves the following transfers of Investment Accounts.
- Transfer \$100,000 from Federal Gas Tax Reserve Fund, \$200,000 from General Account, & \$100,000 from Grant Account to the Township GIC Reserve Account
 - Transfer \$17,180.57 from Forest Fire Reserve Fund to Fire Capital Reserve Fund
- Carried
- Res. #9: Moved by D. Robinson, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that Council move into Committee of the Whole at 8:14pm in order to address a matter pertaining to:
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
 - The receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
- Carried
- Res. #10: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
Be it resolved that Council come out of Committee of the Whole at 8:40pm.
- Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was provided to all members of Council prior to the Council Meeting. The Mayor reviewed the correspondence with Council.

- a) Council received correspondence from the Solicitor General Sylvia Jones regarding the importance of animal welfare.
- b) Council reviewed an update from the Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board.
- c) A letter was received from the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport Michael Tibollo regarding increased highway signage to support the promotion of tourism and economic growth.
- d) The 2019 Federal Budget Funding Highlights were received from Fairtax.
- e) Council received correspondence from the Hon. Patty Hajdu regarding infrastructure funding streams.
- f) Correspondence from the Senate of the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment's Honorary Colonel Fred Bickford was reviewed for Council. They are asking for support and donations in the creation of a new war memorial. Council deferred the request to the next meeting of Council.
- g) A letter from the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities was reviewed, informing Council that the Government of Canada is providing additional funding to the Provincial Gas Tax Fund.
- h) Council received correspondence from Minister of Infrastructure Monte McNaughton regarding the Marina Project that was delegated to him at the OGRA Conference in February.
- i) A letter was received from M. P. Cheryl Gallant regarding Bill C-68 and its negative impact on the Municipality.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Officer

The CAO reviewed his written report with Council. The following general information of CAO activity from April 1, 2019 to April 15, 2019 was verbally mentioned.

- a) Working with Ministry of Environment to finalize the cleanup process at the Old Mill Site.
- b) Working collectively with PW Staff on the implementation of industry best practices in relation to policy, guideline review and development that will assist improving utilization of resources.
- c) Working collectively with staff in relation to Rec Centre operations and activity opportunities.
- d) Inserted 2019 federal gas tax projects in AMO portal.
- e) Interviewed three candidates for the operation of the bowling alley.
- f) Finalizing the installation of the fire department compressor. (Glitch)
- g) Finalizing the 2019 draft budget with review with Council & department heads in April 2019.
- h) Networking with Council on two developers in relation to residential development for Red Rock. Visits are expected this month by both companies.
- i) Imputing Municipal data in OPTA.
- j) Still exploring with Hatch Consulting in relation to energy efficiencies and grants.
- k) Working with Hatch and Aegus Contracting on applying for a building permit for the new Waste Water Pollution Control Plan. Expected start date around May 1, 2019.
- l) Still researching the fusibility of a two-bay car wash at the old Can-Op. Have contacted McDougall Energy in relation to interest shown.
- m) Renovations are still in progress for Municipal Office and looking at different logistics for library.
- n) Still working collectively with Council on the LCBO agency store and hopefully will receive direction on applications after the provincial throne speech.
- o) Reviewing and up-dating Municipal departmental policies.
- p) Will be engaging Ministry of Transportation on the ownership of the Trout Creek Highway 628 Bridge.

- q) Have requested transfer of different account funds into reserve GIC's to ensure financial stewardship continues.

Payments for payroll and operations were submitted for approval.

Public Works Superintendent

Public Works Superintendent reviewed his report to Council.

QMS DWS UPDATE: The Drinking Water System's *Operational Plan Draft* has been completed for the new 2.0 Standard by OCWA's Process and Compliance team. A meeting will be scheduled for the week of April 15th to review the revisions to the plan with DWS staff.

Water works operator, Bob Edmond, has successfully completed and passed his exam to obtain his level 1 certification for Wastewater Treatment, and is now in the process of applying for the license.

The newly fabricated splitter box for filter #1 at the water plant is now in place. Preparations for returning this filter to service can now resume. Once filter #1 is back online, filter #2 will be removed from service for an inspection. Spring melt conditions may dictate the timeline for this filter work. Weekly water samples were collected and sent to ALS Laboratory from Mar 18th to Apr 12th. No adverse test results were received from any samples submitted. Water meter readings were done for the month of March on April 1st. UV sensor verifications were performed for the WTP and standby power was tested for the month of March.

Two loads of screenings were hauled to the landfill over the course of this reporting period. Standby power for the plant was tested for the month of March. Public Works performed sanitary sewer cleaning service for 2 households in this reporting period. Public Works also aided in sewer cleaning service for St. Hilary School.

A new motor has now been installed for the kitchen exhaust fan from Maenpaa Electric. Maenpaa Electric also installed a power outlet for a wall mounted television for the Red Pebbles restaurant. A junction box to provide 220 amp services will also be installed for the eventual replacement of the dishwasher in the kitchen. Langen Glass of Thunder Bay has been asked to replace a broken window near the Brompton entrance of the Rec Center. They will also provide pricing to upgrade some of the commercial door hardware for both arena entrances, as well as the main entrances to the facility, (Brompton and Baker).

Vipond Fire Protection Services were required to make a repair to the sprinkler system on the arena header line. The header line was replaced in 2000 along with other upgrades to the system. Over the past few years pin holes in the header are becoming more frequent. Replacement of the header may want to be looked at as a projected budget item for the future.

The Marina Building is being inspected weekly from public works while it is closed for the season. Superior Electric is preparing a rough quote for repairs to the break wall lighting. There are still 5 lights and the return beacon left to be fixed from last summer's lightning damage.

Public Works has a planned dig to make repairs to a water service at 4 Stewart St. A tentative date will be arranged with the homeowner closer to the end of April.

Superior Electric has been asked to make repairs to 5 street lights. They will be in the area to service some other North Shore communities in the upcoming weeks, and will schedule a visit to coincide with this work. Northwest Petroleum will be performing their annual inspection for the marina fuel kiosk the week of April 29th. This year's visit requires a bi-annual calibration report for the fuel pumps that is submitted the Canadian Weights & Standards Authority.

Hydrant checks were performed for the month of March. Hydrant #1 at the intersection of Rankin and Brompton was damaged from snow removal. This hydrant has yet to be replaced; however, this will be a priority as soon as conditions are more conducive for this work.

Fire Chief Monthly Report

The Fire Chief presented his report to Council.

In-class training and discussion focusing on the procedures of how to set up the pumps and connect the draft to the truck were performed. Training also focused on discussion about the basic operations of pumps and engaging of the pump on the trucks. They demonstrated how to get the water flowing to the trucks to fill the tanks. They discussed the different hose streams; 'left for life, right for reach', optimal nozzle settings, and uses of wide fog, narrow fog, and solid bore applications. Each member went through all the revolution twice.

Training also consisted of general check overs for all equipment used by the Fire Department. They checked all fluids on the porta pumps, saws, & generators. All generators, saws, and porta pumps require tune ups and oil changes.

Two members of the Department travelled to Colorado to receive 3 day special training by CP Crude & Rail Response Training.

The Fire Department assisted in flooding the Parks Canada Ice Trail at the beginning of March.

The Fire Chief's monthly activity included receiving and responding to emails & mail. He is continuing to update files. The Fire Chief attended a Mutual Aid meeting in Nipigon. OFMEM was at the meeting to discuss Mutual Aid. Other discussions from the meeting included the mile marker that had been installed on the highway in our area, Zone 4 joining our Mutual Aid zone & highway calls. The Fire Chief worked on the completion of the 5 year capital budget. Prepping of the hall for the arrival of the new compressor was completed. There have been discussions with Northern 911 about dispatching, and they are working together on completing an app. The Fire Chief is communicating with George from MNR to set up our yearly training; they will be here the first and last week of May. He is also getting more information from George in regards to retraining the department members to the new MNR SP 103 Fire Dept. Forest Fire Training as it has been updated from the old standards to meet NFPA.

The Fire Chief recommended that Cole Miller be reinstated as a Fire Fighter as he will be returning to Red Rock.

Pumpers 1 & 2, and the equipment van will be sent in for their annual safety inspection during the month of April. No cost on this at this time.

The Fire Chief noted some special recognition and congratulations to members of the Fire Department on their hard work and dedication, including: Trevor Appelkvist, Bev Begin, Wayne Boulter, Desmond Maidment, Kevin Roy, Grant Marciski, Roger McGuire, Tom Leblanc & Jon Robinson.

Animal Control Officer

The Mayor reviewed the Animal Control Officer's report to Council.

Phone calls and messages were received regarding a "Paws for Love" dog that had been reclaimed by the group. It was noticed by a few people that the dog was not being cared for, and reported to Paws for Love. They sent someone to Red Rock to take the dog back. The family had been on holidays with someone dog-sitting for them, and came back to find their dog missing. A follow-up call was made by the OPP; they will be getting in touch with the Humane Society as well.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Robinson reviewed the minutes of the Red Rock Public Library Board's meeting held on March 19, 2019.

Mayor Nelson reviewed the minutes of the QUAD Council meeting held on March 25, 2019.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council reviewed and approved the resolutions from the Municipality of Shuniah & Municipality of Neebing that were deferred from last meeting of Council.

NEW BUSINESS

The CAO briefed Council on the current Township projects for 2019 and they're financial figures.

The CAO updated Council on the progress of the Environmental Cleanup of the Mill Property & the discussions taking place with the Ministry of Environment.

Council discussed the relocation of Council Chambers to the Marina Building's Conference Centre for the duration of time that the Marina Building is open. Council approved the relocation for the Meetings of Council taking place between June 1st, 2019 and September 30th, 2019. Notice will be made to the public to inform them of the change of venue.

Council agreed to sponsor the Top of Lake Superior's Chamber of Commerce Awards Dinner in the amount of \$250.00

The CAO updated Council on the progress of Trout Creek Bridge. He is working with Michael Gravelle's Office and the Ministry of Transportation to review and resolve the ownership of the bridge.

The CAO presented to Council a transfer of funds from three different Reserve Accounts into a Township GIC Account, as well as a transfer from the Forest Fire Reserve Account into the Fire Capital Reserve Account. Council approved the transfer of funds.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Council went into Committee of the Whole at 8:14pm and exited at 8:40pm.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Council reviewed the Township lawyer's advice on the Mill Property.

The applications for the Bowling Lanes Operator position were reviewed and Council selected the successful applicant.

Res. #11: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:43pm.

Carried

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk