

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

888th MEETING OF COUNCIL

OCTOBER 21st, 2019

Present:	Mayor:	G. Nelson
	Councillors:	L. Woods
		D. Robinson
		S. Park
		G. Muir
	Deputy Clerk	S. Cameron
	Public Works Superintendent	B. Westerman
	Fire Chief	R. Pitre
	Community Development Officer	A. Davis

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Muir declared a conflict of interest in regards to the St. Hilary Catholic School Cross Country Race Donation.

DEPUTATION

Melanie Depue presented to Council her concerns with the tax rate for Rural Property Owners. She elaborated on her property taxes over the past 15 years and the rising cost they've experienced. A possible capping on the property tax was mentioned, or possibly a different tax rate for rural properties. Council will take the information into consideration. They thanked Mrs. Depue and asked for a copy of her presentation to Council. The CAO will respond with a letter.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the October 7, 2019 regular meeting of Council were approved as presented.

BY-LAWS

By-law 2019-1202 – to appoint a Chief Building Official and Inspectors, amending bylaw 2019-1194

RESOLUTIONS

Res. #1: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that the minutes of the Monday, October 7, 2019 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

Carried

Res. #2: Moved by L. Woods, seconded by D. Robinson
Be it resolved that a bylaw be introduced, being a bylaw to appoint a Chief Building Official and Inspectors be read a first and second time.

Carried

Res. #3: Moved by L. Woods, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that the bylaw be introduced, being a bylaw to appoint a Chief Building Official and Inspectors be read a third time, finally passed, numbered 2019-1202 and the seal of the Municipality placed thereon.

Carried

Res. #4: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
 Be it resolved that the following payments be approved:

PAYMENT		
DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
10/09 – 10/17	1840 – 1882	\$ 189,675.75
		\$ 189,675.7
PAYROLL		
10/10	11007 – 11032	\$ 28,040.55
		\$ 28,040.55
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$ 217,716.30

Carried

Res. #5: Moved by L. Woods, seconded by D. Robinson
 Be it resolved that as per the Fire Chief’s recommendation, Oliver Otvos be appointed as a Junior Firefighter.

Carried

Res. #6: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by S. Park
 Be it resolved that as per the Fire Chief’s recommendation, Dylan Lafleur be appointed as a Probationary Firefighter.

Carried

Res. #7: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
 Be it resolved that Pamela Behun and Tara Hardy be appointed to the Red Rock Recreation Advisory Committee for a 4 year term ending November 30, 2022.

Carried

Res. #8: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
 Be it resolved that the resignation of Jason Sands and Glenn Kennedy from the Red Rock Recreation Advisory Committee be accepted with regret.

Carried

Res. #9: Moved by D Robinson, seconded by S. Park
 Be it resolved that Council approves the donation of \$100.00 to the St. Hilary School Annual Cross Country Race.

Carried

Res. #10: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
 Be it resolved that Council approves the following Council members to attend the Superior Country Annual General Meeting:

- Councillor TBD
- CDO Ashley Davis

Carried

Res. #11: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
 Be it resolved that Council give turkeys for Staff and Volunteers at Christmas.

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) Ministry of Transportation – Trout Creek Bridge
- b) Minister for Seniors and Accessibility – Remembrance Day Ceremonies Service to be held at the Red Rock Legion
- c) AMO – Public Health and Emergency Health Services Consultations

- d) Demand The Right – Landfill Developments
- e) TBDSSAB – Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative
- f) Municipality of East Ferris – Endorsing Resolution
- g) City of Thunder Bay – TBDHU Funding

No other business arose from the correspondence.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Officer

The Mayor reviewed the CAO's written report in his absence. The following general information of CAO activity from October 7, 2019 – October 21, 2019 was verbally mentioned.

OUTSTANDING ITEMS PERTAINING TO THIS OFFICE:

- a) Working collectively towards environmental clean-up of Mill property with legal. (Received response from Cascade) More follow-up continues.
- b) Continue to working collectively with CDO and Project Manager on RV Park and EDO application. Waiting approval. As stated, anticipate late 2019 due to election.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- c) Will be coordinating and working with Northern Planning and Developer on proposed development.
- d) Have received more correspondence of FOIP request from Provincial Government. Material being prepared.
- e) We have received acknowledgement and correspondence in relation to the ownership of Trout Creek Bridge by the MTO. Response provided and will be followed-up by MPP. (Enclosed)
- f) Entrance sign design completed. Development in progress with installation to follow.
- g) Working collectively to re-locate two Township signs to Hwy 17 Red Rock Entrance location. East and West
- h) Have established a collective agreement team for up-coming contract negotiations.
- i) Invoice payment for WWPCP construction invoices has been implemented with Northern credit Union.
- j) New agreements implemented and signed August 24, 2019 to cover HATCH & OCWA invoices. Waiting on INFC reply and approval. Joint meeting with Province and Feds to follow to review processes.
- k) Will be seeking a meeting with Municipal Affairs and Finance to assist with mill outstanding back tax relief.
- l) Enbridge agreements have arrived on utilization of municipal infrastructure. (roads) for 2020 east west hydro Lines. Has been reviewed by legal and awaiting a joint meeting with Enbridge to finalize.
- m) Will be reviewing and modifying municipal policies and procedures in Nov.
- n) Have a four-hour demo Oct 22 on a software called Muni-soft (user friendly). (Office will be closed for the afternoon (staff training & evaluation) Part 1.
- o) Working on a co-op placement for Public Works. (Administration). 2020
- p) Interviews for Casual By-law Compliance Officer will be completed this week and require a councilor as per by-law. Start date Nov 1, 2019. \$25:00 per hour, mileage, no benefits, when and as required.
- q) Will be coordinating and reviewing a Public Works winter road schedule. Discussion with union will follow if applicable.
- r) Will be coordinating with BDO on 2019 FIR. Must be completed by May 31, 2020.
- s) Will be researching for a used garbage truck for Red Rock.
- t) Drafted letter on behalf of Mayor and Council in relation to support Red Rock Game and Fish Club on lake trout stocking for superior north shore area. (enclosed)
- u) Conversated with Parks Canada on Fire & Ice for 2020. More logistics and meetings required.

Payments for payroll and operations were submitted for approval.

Public Works Superintendent

The Public Works Superintendent verbally reviewed the following written report with Council.

QMS DWS UPDATE: Accreditation for the Red Rock Drinking Water System has been granted from SAI Global. Certification was received on Oct 4th.

A system wide Boil Water Advisory had to be enacted after a low pressure was created in the distribution on September 30th. The low pressure was caused when a 10" main was isolated for a hydrant repair and supply from the water tower was restricted to the system. DWS staff took immediate steps to flush and sample extremities in the system to expediate the BWA rescind order from the MOH.

An adverse water condition had to be reported for low chlorine residual in the distribution system on October 15th. The low residual was measured at a hydrant in the area of Frost & Steel St. that was being used as a temporary bleeder while the Bell Building service has been off for repair. The hydrant flow was left off after being flushed on October 9th to help maintain chlorine residual in the area. Direction was given to flush main until residual was restored from the MOH.

A new turbidity control unit had to be ordered for a filter set at the water plant after the analyzer was damaged during a power interruption. A request has been made for Automation Now to quote the installation of a surge suppression unit for the 600 V service to the water plant.

The DWS OIC attended 3 days of chlorination training in Schreiber from Oct 1st to the 3rd. The training was provided through OCWA.

The DWS ORO attended training in Thunder Bay on September 25th from the *Walkerton Clean Water Centre* for emerging issues in water treatment. Topics covered included Cyanobacterial Toxins, Disinfection By-Products and Pathogens.

Weekly water samples were collected and sent to ALS Laboratory from Sept 16th to Oct 18th. No adverse test results were received from any samples submitted. Water meter readings were done for September on Sept 30th. UV sensor verifications were performed for the WTP in September. Standby power was tested at the WTP for the month of September.

Public Works has been unable to perform sewer lateral cleaning services as an additional part in addition to the new coil, had to be ordered for the sewer auger.

One load of screenings was hauled to the landfill over the course of this reporting period. Standby power for the plant was tested for the month of September.

Rec center staff began ice making on Oct 8th. Ice painting is scheduled for the week of Oct 21st from Lloyd Stansel. Cimco completed a scheduled overhaul of the ice plant condenser the week of September 16th, along with routine maintenance for the compressors.

Marina staff completed season ending maintenance for the marina and marina building by the park closing date of September 30th. Public Works staff have performed season ending maintenance for marina park, including removal of staging docks and kayak dock, winterizing splash pad and water service lines. Public Works have completed the final assisted launch outs for the season.

Roadside cutting/brushing has been done by Breaking Ground Contracting of Shunniah. Roads #4, #8, Buchanan Rd. and the Escape Road were included in this work. Public Works removed one tree on the corner of White Blvd and Brompton Rd. after a large branch broke from the tree

due to recent high winds. A second tree was removed from the boulevard on Brompton at the request of a resident. This tree was also in an obvious state of decay.

Streetlight maintenance was performed from Superior Electric on Oct 7th.

The Public Works Superintendent answered all questions posed to him by Council and they thanked him for his report.

Fire Chief

The Fire Chief reviewed his written report with Council.

Sept 3/19

Trainer: All

Duty Crew, Air Brake Checks

Sept 9/19

Trainer: Ryan

Discussion on training and preparing all members for their Fire Fighter Level 1 and 2. (NFPA 1001) that don't already have it.

Sept 16/19 Trainer: Roger, Bev

Auto X, Stabilization

Sept 23/19

Trainer: Jon, Bev, Kevin

Pump Ops/Hose Stream

Sept 30/19

PPE/SCBA

Call Outs

Sept 27/19

10 Newton

Carbon Monoxide/Smoke Alarm False Alarm

11 members

1.5 man hours

CFO Activity

Emails, mail, continuing to update files. Clean out office and rearranging the training material, organizing old files and updating the new files. Prepared a running card assignment (in what order the Depts. would be called if Mutual Aid is needed) for our Mutual Aid Plan, updated the equipment list for the OFMEM and completing the inventory list of equipment and tools that the Dept. has. Continually working on transfer half of the van into an IC command unit.

Recommendations to Council

Chief, Deputy and Captains recommend Dylan Lafleur be appointed Fire Fighter

Chief, Deputy and Captains recommend Oliver Otvos be appointed JR Fire Fighter

Pumper 1 had another pump test done Sept 17, 2019 in Nipigon by Ontario Fire Truck, the pump passed this test. Both Pumper 1 & Pumper 2 have passed the pump test but there are some repairs that both trucks will require, still waiting for a quote on these repairs from Wayne Ontario Fire Trucks.

The Fire Chief answered all questioned Council asked and they thanked him for his report.

Animal Control Officer

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

There were no calls or complaints during the month of September.

There is still a stray cat roaming around town.... a trap is set up and has been moved to a new location in the hope that I can catch it soon.

Community Development Officer

The Community Development Officer reviewed her written report with Council.

Projects and Grants

- a) Phase II CIINO Grant Application resubmitted to FedNor for hiring an Economic Development Officer for a 3 year term. Still waiting on feedback on updated application.
- b) Phase II NOHFC and FedNor applications resubmitted for the RV Campground Development. A meeting was held with NOHFC and FedNor. Additional feedback was provided and will be addressed.
- c) Ontario Trillium Foundation Capital Investments Grant for upgrades to the Funtime Lanes Bowling Alley. Still haven't heard back. Probably won't until after the election. Hoping for the middle of November. Upgrades would take place after the 2019/2010 bowling season finished.
- d) Infrastructure Canada Grant has opened with a deadline of November 12. I am currently working on an application with the assistance of Gerald. We will be submitting an application for improvements to the Recreation Centre and equipment. This is a combined grant with FedNor contributing 40%, The Province contributing 33.33% and the Township would be responsible for 26.67%. Our portion can be stacked with other funding (such as other provincial energy grants to improve energy efficiency among others). The project has to be completed by March 31, 2027, to a maximum of \$5 million. Right now Gerald is assisting on obtaining estimates for the various components of the project while I work on the application content.

Marina Centre

Braeden compiled the stats from the Marina building. Please see attached report for number and interesting stats for the 2019 season.

Regional Activities

The Township contributed to the Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra Touring Show featuring Shy Anne Hovorka/Bartlett, a local drumming group and the George O'Neill youth choir. The tour was sponsored in partnership with the Township of Nipigon, the Red Rock Indian Band. The 2 hour long show was held at the Nipigon Legion on October 2nd. The local schools were bussed to the Legion to view the afternoon show and tickets were \$20 for the public to enjoy the evening show. There were over 100 attendees at the evening show.

I attended the North Shore Network meeting hosted by Superior North CFDC in Terrace Bay. This is a quarterly meeting where the regional Community and Economic Development Officers from across the region (Dorion to Mantiouwadge) meet to discuss various project and activities happening in their communities, share information and attend presentations by various regional partner organizations. The meeting held on October 2nd included presentations on AV Terrace By upgrades; the Casque Isles Hiking Trail and their activities, trail upgrades, partnerships with schools, getting youth involved, signage, guest books and the importance of having quality trail to attract visitors and encourage them to stay in the region; an update from Superior Country and various programs they have available to assist communities which include training videos for front line staff, the importance of knowing what is going on and available in their own communities along with the next community east or west; the Meridian program which allows for online booking and visitors to create their own packages and is free for businesses/organizations who are members of Superior Country and their AGM which will be held at the Prince Arthur Hotel in November; Pat Forrest from Destination Northern Ontario presented on the Group of Seven Trail; and Florence, the EDO from Manitouwadge presented

on aquaculture and farming fish and shrimp locally and its increasing demand for sustainable and ethically raised food that is not contaminated along with the economic potential.

The Top of Lake Superior Chamber of Commerce is planning a moonlight madness shop event to encourage residents of the area to shop locally in preparation for Christmas. A Shop Local campaign is also being organized for the month of December leading up to Christmas to encourage shopping local. Details are still being finalized but for each purchase during the shop local campaign you get to enter your name into a draw to win various prizes.

I attended the Community Capacity Building meeting which is an opportunity for the area service organizations to meet and provide updates on activities and programs. There were updates from the Superior North Adult Learning Association, the Health Unit, Early On, North of Superior Programs, Yes Employment and the Mental Health coordinator for the Superior Greenstone District School Board.

Upcoming Events

75th Anniversary celebrations – There are currently 10 people on the sign-up sheet at the Municipal Office for those interested on being on the planning committee. A meeting being planned for Tuesday October 29th at 6pm in the Community Development Office.

Professional Development

I had my 6 month review/interview with NOHFC as part of the funding agreement for my internship.

Co-op Student

Braeden Plemel is a co-op student from the High school completing 3 periods in the Community Development Office. He has been assisting with social media postings, updating contact lists, entering data to create reports, and creating graphs and charts from collected data. He will be assisting me with collecting information for writing grants and collect updated regional information for the tourist kiosk at the Marina Centre.

The last few months have been heavily focused on updating grant applications and answering questions from funders relating to applications.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Robinson reviewed the Red Rock Public Library Board's meeting minutes with Council.

Councillor Muir reviewed the Rec Advisory Committee's meeting minutes with Council. Jason Sands and Glenn Kennedy have resigned as Committee members, and Pamela Behun and Tara Hardy were appointed as new Committee members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Muir declared a conflict of interest in regards to the St. Hilary School Cross Country Run. Council approved the donation of \$100.00 to the Run.

CDO Ashley Davis came forward to speak on the Superior Country Annual General Meeting, explaining that she would be attending as well. Council approved sending one Councillor to the AGM, along with the CDO.

Council discussed the present Fee Schedule before deciding to change the Gymnasium rental to \$10.00. The fee schedule bylaw will be brought back to the next meeting for passing.

Council decided to wait until after the Federal Election to discuss the possible Environmental Committee further.

NEW BUSINESS

Council approved sending Turkey Vouchers to Township Staff and Volunteers.

IN-CAMERA

Council did not go in-camera.

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

None

Res. #12: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by L. Woods
Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:45pm.

Carried

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk