

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

891st MEETING OF COUNCIL

DECEMBER 2nd, 2019

Present:	Mayor:	G. Nelson
	Councillors:	D. Robinson
		S. Park
		G. Muir
	Chief Administrative Officer:	A. Headrick

The Mayor announced the passing of Councillor Woods prior to the meeting. After reading the obituary aloud, a moment of silence was held in honour of Councillor Larry Woods.

Azim Hosein was briefly introduced to Council as the new Bylaw Compliance Officer.

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

None

PRESENTATION

None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the November 18, 2019 regular meeting of Council were approved as presented.

BY-LAWS

None

RESOLUTIONS

Res. #1: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by S. Park
 Be it resolved that the minutes of the Monday, November 18, 2019 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

Carried

Res. #2: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by D. Robinson
 Be it resolved that the Township of Red Rock and Northern Planning enter into a planning (service provider) agreement to enhance the revised Official Plan (land use planning designations) to expedite a new residential development process and concepts as per regulations.

Carried

Res. #3: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
 Be it resolved that the following payments be approved:

PAYMENT		
DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
11/21 – 11/22	1995 – 2019	\$ 47,233.98
		\$ 47,223.98
MANUAL CHQ		
11/8 – 11/20	M5894 – M5901	\$ 30,549.93
		\$ 30,549.93
COMMUNITY CHQ		
11/19 – 12/02	0002 – 0004	\$ 1,402,527.05
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PAYROLL		
11/21	11078 – 11096	\$ 22,343.33
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TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>\$ 1,502,654.29</u>

Carried

Res. #4: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
Be it resolved that WHEREAS Councillor Woods has passed away on November 19, 2019, therefore creating a vacancy in the office of Councillor in accordance with Section 259 (1) of the Municipal Act, as amended

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the office of Councillor (1) be declared vacant.

Carried

Res. #5: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that Council choose to fill the vacancy on Council by appointment of the remaining Councillor nominees from the 2018 Municipal Election.

Carried

Res. #6: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that Council move In-Camera at 7:45pm in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Labour relations or employee negotiations
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local boards
- The receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

Carried

Res. #7: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by S. Park
Be it resolved that Council come out of in-Camera at 7:55pm.

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) AMO – Blue Box Program Launch
- b) NWMO – Site Selection
- c) Ministry of Natural Resources – Far North Act Follow-up

No other business arose from the correspondence.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Officer

The CAO verbally reviewed his written report with Council. The following general information of CAO activity from November 19, 2019 – December 2, 2019 was verbally mentioned.

OUTSTANDING ITEMS PERTAINING TO THIS OFFICE:

- a) No approval in relation to the RV Park and EDO application (Unknown)
- b) Entrance sign installation first week of December.
- c) BDO will commence 2019 Audit in the week of Dec 8, 2019.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- d) Prepared four internal departmental financial reports for Council's review. Fire Department, Rec Centre, Public Works, Water/Waste Water. YTD
- e) Emailed Hon. G. Rickford of MNDM & Energy on the Government bureaucracy and delays the Township of Red Rock has encountered in relation to grant submissions and approval for the EDO and RV Park. This has been ongoing since May of 2019.
- f) Working on finalization of the Accessibility Report to be submitted to Gov't by Dec. 31, 2019.
- g) Leslie Swanson will provide a monthly report to council on events and activities, not to exclude marketing initiatives.
- h) Contractor has completed White Blvd tree pruning. 34 trees
- i) Mayor and I met with Planner & Residential Developer. They have established the location and development of about 25 lots. Official Plan being revised to establish development. Tentative concept enclosed.
- j) Staff attended the second phase of Emergency Planning with CEMC Nov 28, 2019.
- k) Mayor and I had a telephone conference call with MPAC on Mill Property re-assessment. Community reduction for 2020 will follow.
- l) Working with legal on law suit against River Edge Development on taxation and failure to promote industrial property.
- m) RFP has been posted on Municipal World for a complete organization and work place review which will include a community engagement component. We have also extended this add for another two weeks.
- n) Sent an up-dated letter to MPP to forward to Hon Minister of Transportation on the Trout Creek Bridge Ownership.
- o) New Casual By-law Compliance Officer is Azim Hosein (Start date Dec 1, 2019). Identification component completed. Introduction to Council.
- p) Advertisement for Manager of Public Works has been extended on Municipal World and for another two weeks, 2 applications to date.
- q) Reviewing and comparing the lease and cost to exchange of two older officer copiers with new.
- r) Staff were given time off to attend Councilor Woods funeral service in Nipigon.
- s) Took a few holidays during this time period. Complete remainder in Dec.

Payments for payroll and operations were submitted for approval.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Councillor Robinson reviewed with Council the minutes of the Red Rock Library Board's meeting on October 9th, 2019.

Councillor Muir reviewed the minutes of the Rec Advisory Committees' meeting on November 6th, 2019 with Council. Terms of Reference were revised and updated by the Committee. The CAO will review and incorporate the new Terms of Reference into the Rec Advisory By-law, and will bring back at a later Council Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council revisited the letter sent to Council on the instructor fees of the Gymnasium. After looking at the financial breakdown of the costs associated with running the Gymnasium, Council decided to keep the fees as stated in the 2019 fee schedule. As directed by Council, the CAO will follow up with a letter to the Rec Coordinator.

NEW BUSINESS

Council declared a vacancy for (1) Councillor seat by resolution.

Council was informed of their options to fill the vacancy of the Councillor seat. Council decided to fill the vacancy with one of the remaining Councillor nominees of the 2018 Municipal Election. Brief discussion amongst Councillors took place about taking the nominee with the next highest number of votes.

Council discussed possible fees for ice users at the Recreation Centre. Council was very receptive of the idea and will bring it back next meeting to be included in the 2020 Fee Schedule.

A request by Councillor Robinson was brought to Council to ask for quarterly reports from Superior North Emergency Medical Services on their operations in Red Rock. The CAO was directed to draft a letter to send to SNEMS.

Council discussed the Winter Snow Plowing Policy for the Township. Council agreed that the policy was outdated and will have to be revised and brought back to Council at a later meeting.

IN-CAMERA

Council went in-Camera at 7:45pm and exited at 7:55pm.

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

Council discussed labour relations on contracts ending December 31, 2019.

Council discussed legal advice pertaining to the mill.

Res. #8: Moved by S. Park, seconded by G. Muir
Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned at 7:57pm.

Carried

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk