

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK
904th REGULAR ELECTRONIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
JUNE 1st, 2020

Electronically Present:	Mayor	G. Nelson
	Councillors:	D. Robinson
		S. Park
		G. Muir
		C. Todesco
	Deputy Clerk:	S. Cameron
	Community Development Officer:	A. Davis
	By-Law Compliance Officer:	A. Hosein

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

None

PRESENTATION

Staff Sergeant Pettigrew presented the Nipigon OPP’s 1st Quarter Report for the Township. There have been no issues with the department’s front line policing while dealing with Covid-19. The Sergeant noted that there has obviously been a large police presence in the area due to the missing persons case, but residents should not believe what they hear on social media. Councillor Todesco asked the Staff Sergeant what level of water service the department provided to the area. He responded that a boat that is normally stationed at the Red Rock Marina will be docked there again, although it is being serviced for repairs at the moment. The Sergeant also noted that their policies for water rescue are strictly for recovery of persons only, not property.

Council thanked the Staff Sergeant for his presentation.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Tuesday, May 19th, 2020 regular electronic meeting of Council were approved as presented.

BY-LAWS

None

RESOLUTIONS

Res. #1: Moved by G. Muir, seconded by C. Todesco
 Be it resolved that the minutes of the Tuesday, May 19, 2020 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

Carried

Res. #2: Moved by C. Todesco, seconded by G. Muir
 Be it resolved that the following payments be approved:

PAYMENT		
DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
05/07 – 05/15	2445 – 2497	\$ 61,584.47
05/28	2498 – 2525	\$ 84,845.62
		\$ 146,430.09

COMMUNITY CHQ.		
05/06 – 05/14	19 - 21	\$ 1,323,658.42
05/25	22	\$ <u>4,195.13</u>
		\$ 1,327,853.55
PAYROLL		
05/07	11363 – 11383	\$ 22,690.29
05/21	11384 – 11396	\$ <u>17,739.38</u>
		\$ 40,429.67
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>\$ 1,514,713.31</u>
		Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor reviewed the correspondence with Council

A letter to the North Shore Gas Project Review Committee from the Mayor supporting Certarus in its CNG supply proposal was included in the correspondence. Councillor Todesco asked what type of customers that Certarus is looking to supply. Mayor Nelson responded that they are hoping to supply all types of customers, including commercial, residential, industrial and more.

A letter from Marcel Boudreau was read to Council regarding the stocking of fish in the Red Rock Bay. Mr. Boudreau was very displeased that he was told 'No' by the Nipigon Bay Public action Committee when he went to them for help. Councillor Muir questioned the outcome of the letter of support that was previously sent in regards to stocking the bay. Mayor Nelson responded that the letter of support was received, but the bay was stocked with old fish that would not reproduce. Councillor Todesco volunteered to contact and sit on the committee, he would also like to have a meeting with the committee as soon as possible to discuss stocking in Red Rock.

A notice from the Ontario Energy Board was received by Council. With little understanding of the notice, Council decided to defer the notice until the next meeting of Council.

No other business arose from the correspondence.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Officer

The Deputy Clerk reviewed the CAO report with Council in his absence.

A reply from MP Patty Hajdu's office was received in relation to the CDO's proposal for funding. Councillor Todesco was displeased that the process was being delayed and asked if there was another proactive approach they could take to get funding for the EDO position. Mayor Nelson responded that he has a meeting with the MP later this week to discuss the ongoing grant applications.

Payment vouchers were submitted for approval.

Community Development Officer

The CDO reviewed her monthly report with Council.

The Celebrate Canada Grant for the 2020 Canada Day Celebrations has been submitted. Since having to cancel all Canada Day activities, the grant will be used for the fireworks display. The CDO is waiting to hear back from the Fire Chief on whether fireworks will be permitted according to the Emergency Order.

The Spring Cleanup Program for brushing the Red Rock Mountain Trail has commenced. Epic Adventures was the successful candidate again.

Superior Country Tourism is 100% funding one tourism officer for the Township. The position is an 8 week placement and will work out of the CDO office with the CDO.

There have been 5 summer student positions funded by the Provincial and Federal governments for the Township including 3 groundskeepers, 1 tourism student and 1 recreation student.

The CDO is working on a grant submission for funding to develop a Strategic Plan as per directive from the CAO. Having a Strategic Plan in place may increase the chances of requiring funding for the Economic Development Officer funding.

Grant applications for the RV Campground have been resubmitted to FedNor and the NOHFC. The CDO mentioned that the government is requesting a feasibility study be conducted on the RV Park before continuing with the grant process. Council directed the CDO to apply for funding for a feasibility study.

By-Law Compliance Officer

The By-Law Compliance Officer reviewed his written report with Council

He has had complaints regarding ATV's within the Municipality. Council reminded him that the OPP deals with residents not abiding by the Highway Traffic Act.

The BCO asked for Council's input on how he could be more efficient in his position within the community as many residents are disappointed that a phone call complaint isn't acted on. The BCO questioned the steps and protocols in place for dealing with complaints from residents. The current process entails formal complaints will only be acted on when received in writing by letter or email by completing the complaint form available on the website and at the Municipal Office. Council expressed that the formal complaint is the best way to keep clear and accurate records of all complaints. The Mayor noted that Council will review the current processes in place and get back to the BCO at the next meeting of Council. Council directed that a notice should be put up on the Township's social media to remind residents of the by-laws in place and how to properly submit a complaint.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Council received the minutes of the TBDSSAB's meeting on April 16, 2020. Mayor Nelson stated that the minutes were lengthy and are available to review online.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

IN-CAMERA

Council did not go In-Camera

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

None

Res. #3: Moved by S. Park, seconded by D. Robinson
Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:18pm.

Carried

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk