

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK**

**943<sup>rd</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**NOVEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**

Present: Mayor: D. Robinson  
Councillors: S. Park  
C. Todesco  
G. Muir  
M. McDonald  
Chief Administrative Officer: M. Figliomeni

**ONE: CLOSED SESSION**

Council did not go into Closed Session at the beginning of this meeting.

**TWO: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There was no report from closed session.

**THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

**3.1 Call to Order**

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

**3.2 Acceptance of the Agenda**

No additions were presented to Council.

Resolution #1

Moved by: Councillor Todesco  
Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this regular meeting on November 2, 2021 be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.3 Disclosures of Interest**

In response to Mayor Robinson's request, no members disclosed interests in matters before council this evening.

**FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS**

Council welcomed Johanna Kirkbride and Patrick Albert from Ontario Clean Water Agency to the meeting as they presented their Water/Wastewater Quarterly Update electronically via Zoom.

Council thanked Johanna and Patrick for their update.

**FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

No errors or omissions in the minutes of the October 18<sup>th</sup> or October 28<sup>th</sup> meetings were raised. Items 5.1 and 5.2 were both passed by the following resolutions:

Resolution #2

Moved by: Councillor Park  
Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the minutes for the October 18, 2021 regular Council Meeting.

**CARRIED**

Resolution #3

Moved by: Councillor Todesco

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the minutes of the October 28, 2021 Special Council Meeting.

**CARRIED**

**SIX: CORRESPONDENCE**

6.1 Township of Scugog – Structure Inventory and Inspections

Council passed the following resolution in support of the Township of Scugog's correspondence:

Resolution #4

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Todesco

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the correspondence from the Township of Scugog regarding structure inventory and inspections.

**CARRIED**

6.2 Nipigon-Red Rock District High School – Co-Op Student

Council and administration were pleased to receive the letter from the Cooperative Education teacher at the high school relating to a student placement at the Municipal Office, Community Development Office and Library.

6.3 Thunder Bay Regional Health & Sciences Centre – Thank You

No discussion took place regarding this correspondence.

6.4 Nipigon Elks Hockey – Junior B Donation Letter

Councillor Todesco asked if Council has previously donated to the team, Mr. Figliomeni replied that there has not been a donation made in the past. No member of Council moved or seconded the motion.

6.5 Legion Ladies Auxiliary – Christmas Cheer Fund

Councillor Park suggested an increase in donation for the Christmas Cheer Fund.

Resolution #5

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Park

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves a donation of \$200.00 to the Christmas Cheer Fund.

**CARRIED**

6.6 TBDSSAB – Update from the Board

Council had no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

**SEVEN: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES**

7.1 Minutes of the September 16, 2021 Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board Meeting

Council had no questions or discussions on the minutes.

7.2 Minutes of the September 15, 2021 Red Rock Public Library Board Meeting

Councillor McDonald questioned why the library needed to hire another employee and increase their hours. Mayor Robinson explained that during the time the library was closed for Covid, an employee had resigned and now that the library is open again the employee needs to be replaced. She also explained that the Head Librarian's hours were increased to correlate with the extra tasks required behind the hours of operation.

Resolution #6

Moved by: Councillor Park  
 Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Red Rock Public Library Board meeting be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

8.1 Report on Administrative Activity

Councillor Muir asked for an update regarding the Bruno's Contracting agreement. CAO Figliomeni answered that the extension agreement has been signed and he will be meeting with Mr. Di Gregorio very soon on the next steps.

Resolution #7

Moved by: Councillor Muir  
 Seconded by: Councillor Park

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report on Administrative Activity be received, as presented.

**CARRIED**

8.2 Report on Payment Vouchers

Councillor Todesco noted that he will not be voting to pass the payment vouchers until he is provided with more information on the report. Councillor McDonald also requested additional information on the report. Mr. Figliomeni mentioned that Council can always see the detailed list in the office prior to the meeting.

Resolution #8

Moved by: Councillor Park  
 Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following payments be approved:

**GENERAL**

DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
10/15 – 10/20	4550 - 4581	\$ 57,143.73
		\$ 57,143.73

**ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS**

DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
10/15 – 10/20	115 – 121	\$ 30,721.86
10/22	122 – 123	\$ 2,351.34
		\$ 33,073.20

**COMMUNITY CHEQUING**

DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
10/20	70 *printing error*	\$ 0.00
10/22	71	\$ 12,400.90
		\$ 12,400.90

**PAYROLL**

DATE	CHEQUE NOS.	AMOUNT
10/21	900027	\$ 56.74
10/21	448 – 464	\$ 20,763.03
		\$ 20,819.77

**TOTAL PAYMENTS**

**\$ 123,437.60**

**CARRIED**

8.3 Report on Christmas Turkey Vouchers

Councillor Todesco asked the CAO for the amount of turkeys. CAO Figliomeni answered that the list of staff and volunteers included 64 turkeys, and gave an estimated cost of \$1,500.00-\$2,000.00. Councillor Park stated her support in the vouchers, while Councillor Todesco mentioned that he was not in favour of the motion. Mayor Robinson mentioned that the turkey vouchers were initiated in 2003 when Council opted out of the Christmas Dinner and decided on the turkeys instead. Councillor Muir acknowledged the importance of recognizing staff and volunteers in the community, however also voted against the turkey vouchers. A motion was brought to the table and did not pass.

#### 8.4 Report on OGRA Conference

Councillor Muir asked if they would have a chance to meet with Ministers during these conferences. CAO Figliomeni stated that the process for applying to meet with Ministers is not yet open, and is inquiring if any members of Council would like to take part in the conferences.

#### 8.5 Report on ROMA Conference

Mayor Robinson and CAO Figliomeni will attend the ROMA Conference virtually in 2022.

#### 8.6 Report on Land Recognition

CAO Figliomeni stated that he has been in contact with the Chief of the Red Rock Indian Band regarding a recognition piece and will bring it to the next meeting as Council directs.

#### 8.7 Report on Chamber of Commerce

Councillor McDonald came forward to be Red Rock's Council representative on the Top of Lake Superior's Chamber of Commerce Board along with the Community Development Officer. The following resolution was passed:

Resolution #9

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Park

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoints Ashley Davis and Councillor McDonald to represent Red Rock on the Chamber of Commerce Board.

**CARRIED**

#### 8.8 Report on Special Recognition Policy

CAO Figliomeni presented an update to an existing municipal policy regarding the recognition of significant events. Councillor Todesco stated that he was not in favour of the policy including a gift of monetary value, and suggested a card and acknowledgment on social media instead.

Resolution #10

Moved by: Councillor Park

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the amended Special Recognition Policy.

**CARRIED**

#### 8.9 Report on Online Meeting Recordings

CAO Figliomeni informed Council that most municipalities with online recordings of meetings do have policies in place to remove the videos after a certain amount of time, usually between 30-90 days. As the approved minutes are the official recordings of Council, he explained that the policy would be there to help protect Council from alterations. Councillor Muir stated that he prefers to keep the recordings available online. The recordings will remain online for future viewing.

#### **NINE: BY-LAWS**

No by-laws were presented at this meeting.

**TEN: NEW BUSINESS**

No items of new business were raised by members of Council.

**ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No items of unfinished business were discussed.

**TWELVE: CLOSED SESSION**

Council did not go into Closed Session.

**THIRTEEN: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There was no report from Closed Session.

**FOURTEEN: CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Resolution #11

Moved by: Councillor Park

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2021-1259, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting, be passed as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05p.m.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk