

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

**948<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**FEBRUARY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Electronically Present:

Mayor:

Councillors:

D. Robinson  
S. Park  
C. Todesco  
G. Muir  
M. McDonald

Chief Administrative Officer:

M. Figliomeni

Community Development Officer:

A. Davis

**ONE: CLOSED SESSION**

1.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #1

Moved by: Councillor Park

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into Closed Session at 6:30pm under the authorities as printed in the Agenda.

**CARRIED**

Council entered Closed Session.

Resolution #2

Moved by: Councillor Todesco

Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 7:00pm and report in Open Session.

**CARRIED**

The open session re-convened at 7:00pm.

**TWO: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Council discussed a potential shared services contract, potential land acquisition in relation to the CN property and personnel matters in Closed Session.

**THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

3.1 Call to Order

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

3.2 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement & Moment of Silence

Mayor Robinson read aloud the following land recognition and then proceeded in a moment of silence:

*“Council of the Township of Red Rock hereby acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Robinson-Superior Treaty and that the land we gather on is home to the Red Rock Indian Band, the Anishnaabek and the Metis People.”*

3.3 Acceptance of the Agenda

An addition to the Agenda was made under By-laws. Mayor Robinson stated Item 9.1 as a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing.

Resolution #3

Moved by: Councillor Muir  
Seconded by: Councillor Park

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council on February 7, 2022 be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

### 3.4 Disclosures of Interest

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

### **FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS**

Sharla Knapton from MPAC joined Council to present MPAC 101. Sharla briefed Council on the relationship between property values and taxes, as well as how properties are assessed by MPAC. Council thanked Sharla for her presentation.

### **FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Council approved the minutes of the January 17, 2022 Council meeting with the following resolution:

Resolution #4

Moved by: Councillor Park  
Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the minutes for the January 17, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

**CARRIED**

### **SIX: CORRESPONDENCE**

#### 6.1 Resolutions from other Municipalities

After a brief discussion, Council did not vote in favour of the motion to dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal.

#### 6.2 Ministry of Transportation – Northern Transportation Task Force

Council posed no questions on the correspondence.

#### 6.3 TBDSSAB – Child Care & Early Years' Advisory Table

Council posed no questions on the correspondence.

#### 6.4 TBDSSAB – CHPI Advisory Table

Councillor Todesco asked if the Initiative from Thunder Bay District Social Services Board would help or benefit the proposed subdivision in Red Rock. CAO Figliomeni responded that the correspondence was seeking interesting persons to sit on the Advisory Table for the Initiative. Councillor Muir questioned if the municipality has any members that currently sit on the Board or Advisory Tables. The CAO replied that Nipigon currently represents the Township on the TBDSSAB Board for this term and it will change with the next term.

#### 6.5 Corinna Dampier – Red Rock Fitness Centre

Council discussed the possibility of relocating the Fitness Centre into the old Curling Club lounge. CAO Figliomeni stated that he did not have plans to move anything at the moment although he sees the potential in the change. Mayor Robinson noted that some updates will need to be done before the move could happen, and that the Recreation Centre Rehabilitation Funding could be used to help with that. Council agreed on staying open-minded and looking into the possibility more once the funding comes in.

#### 6.6 MMAH – Municipal Modernization Program Funding

The CDO elaborated on the scope of the funding, stating that it will be used to update the Township's website to offer services to the public in a streamlined manner. This would include facility and room bookings, as well as memberships, permits, and more.

#### 6.7 FONM, NOMA & NOSDA – News Release

Council posed no questions on the correspondence.

#### 6.8 NOMA – Northwestern Ontario Discussions

Council posed no questions on the correspondence.

#### 6.9 Ontario Volunteer Service Awards - Nomination

Mayor Robinson noted that the former Mayor, Gary Nelson, was nominated for this award and that a recording of the ceremony would be available for viewing on the website.

#### 6.10 Legion Ladies Auxiliary - Thank You

Council posed no questions on the correspondence.

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

#### 7.1 Red Rock Environmental Committee – December 14, 2021 Meeting

Council posed no questions or discussions regarding the minutes.

Resolution #5

Moved by: Councillor Todesco

Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the Environmental Committee's meeting on December 14, 2021, be approved.

**CARRIED**

### **EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

#### 8.1 Report on Administrative Activity

Councillor Muir asked for an estimated time frame of completion for the Water Pollution Control Plant. The CAO responded that they are aiming for July 2022. Councillor Todesco inquired about the options for the Township Backhoe replacement. CAO Figliomeni explained that he was looking at all options including purchasing new, used and leasing, although he is hoping to find a used machine for the Township.

Resolution #6

Moved by: Councillor Todesco

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report on Administrative Activity be approved.

**CARRIED**

#### 8.2 Report on Non-Union Wage Increase

Councillor Muir noted that he would like the Council increase to be separate from the rest of the non-union increases should Council decide to make the increase automatic every year. Councillor Todesco stated that he was not in favour of a Council increase. Councillors Park and McDonald both agreed in an automatic increase for the next term of Council. The automatic increase will be brought back to the next meeting for further discussion and approval.

Resolution #7

Moved by: Councillor Park

Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve a 1.5% wage increase for non-union employees, retroactive to January 1, 2022.

**CARRIED**

**NINE: BY-LAWS**

8.1 By-law 2022-1266

Resolution #8

Moved by: Councillor Park  
Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2022-1266, to enter into an agreement with the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, be passed.

**CARRIED**

**TEN: NEW BUSINESS**

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

**ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Council posed no questions on any unfinished business.

**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 #9


Moved by: Councillor Park  
Seconded by: Councillor McDonald

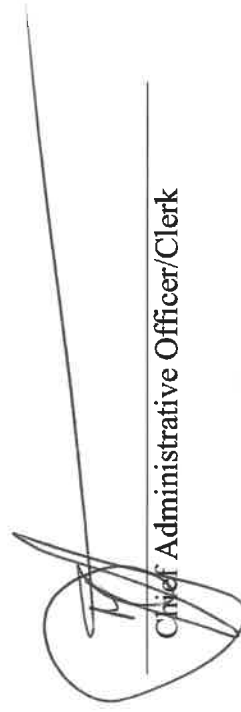
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2021-1267, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting, be passed as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk