

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

970th REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

DECEMBER 5th, 2022

Present:

Mayor:
Councillors:

D. Robinson
G. Muir
N. Gladun
C. Brand
M. Smith

Chief Administrative Officer:
Municipal Secretary:

M. Figliomeni
W. Odahl

ONE: CLOSED SESSION

1.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #1

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

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 Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Closed Session Minutes for the November 21, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Resolution #3

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 6:59pm and report in Open Session.

CARRIED

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

TWO: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council approved the Closed Session minutes of the November 21, 2022 Council Meeting and discussed personnel matters in Closed Session.

THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 Call to Order

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:02p.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.”

CARRIED

Mayor Robinson took a moment to apologize to the CAO in relation to the public's conduct at the previous meeting. She noted that the public is not permitted to speak or engage during the meetings and the Township's anti-harassment policy also applies to staff at all Council Meetings.

3.3 Acceptance of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved with the following resolution:

Resolution #4

Moved by: Councillor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council on December 5, 2022 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

3.5 Disclosures of Interest

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

FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS

4.1 Staff Sergeant Dave Moscall – 1st, 2nd & 3rd Quarterly Reports

Staff Sergeant Dave Moscall presented the first, second and third quarterly reports from the Nipigon OPP. He briefed on a group of individuals included in a high value thefts within the communities on the North Shore, noting that the case has been resolved. He noted that several ride programs have taken place over the year. Council asked the Staff Sergeant questions relating to his report and thanked him for attending the meeting.

Resolution #5

Moved by: Councillor Brand

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Quarterly Reports from the Nipigon OPP, be received.

CARRIED

FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of the November 21, 2022 Meeting of Council

Councillor Brand suggested that the minutes note that the equipment declared as surplus in the previous meeting would be posted with a minimum bid of \$2,500 per vehicle, and not as a whole. Councillor Brand also requested that the minutes reflect a request regarding farm zoned properties, as well as a by-law and minutes from a 1989 Council meeting relating to this item.

Council approved the presented minutes for the November 21, 2022 Regular Meeting of with the following resolution:

Resolution #6

Moved by: Councillor Gladun

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the minutes for the November 21, 2022 regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

SIX: CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 NOMA – Urgent Need for Veterinary Services in Ontario

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.2 TBDSSAB – October 20, 2022 Open & Closed Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.3 Ontario News Release – Improving Road Safety in the North

Councillor Brand commented that she was advised of funds for road conditions have been reallocated to southern Ontario from the north. Mayor Robinson noted that she has been keeping up to date on the unfortunate situation online.

6.4 Ontario News Release – New Critical Minerals Innovation Fund

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.5 NOMA – August 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Councillor Muir was glad to see that multiple First Nation Communities would not be accepting the southern waste in their lands.

6.6 NOMA – November 23, 2022 Board Meeting Summary

Councillor Smith requested the levy amount due to NOMA. The CAO responded that he could not provide a number at that moment, but did note that the number is based on population.

6.7 NOMA – December 7, 2022 Learning Session Agenda

Councillor Smith asked if anyone would be attending the learning session. CAO Figliomeni stated that anyone can attend the session; noting that it is a learning session for Council and those whom are interested can attend virtually. Councillor Gladun noted that the first 100 people would be let in.

SEVEN: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES

None

EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Report on Administrative Activity

Councillor Brand requested more detail in the report. The CAO verbally went through his report with Council. Councillor Smith questioned if having another member of staff sit on the NOMA Board would be beneficial. CAO Figliomeni responded that he is an appointed member of the Board and sits as an administrative representative for all the eastern communities in NOMA.

Councillor Brand questioned where the Recreation Program Coordinator Intern will be stationed while working and if they'd be working with the Recreation staff. The CAO noted that the RPCI is currently working out of the Municipal Office as he works directly under the supervision of the CAO as a NOHFC Intern and will be working closely with all staff including Recreation.

Councillor Muir asked for an update on the natural ice at the arena. The CAO responded that staff is observing the temperature of the arena and hopes to have the ice process started soon.

Conversation amongst Council regarding the advertising of programming also followed. It was suggested that postings for programming and events be streamlined and easily accessible.

Resolution #7

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

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

CARRIED

8.2 Report on TBDHU Council Rep

Resolution #8

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Cindy Brand be appointed as the Council representative for the Thunder Bay District Health Unit for the 2022-2026 term of Council.

CARRIED

8.3 Report on Council Committee Reps

Resolution #9

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoints Councillor Smith as the Council Rep for the Red Rock Public Library Board, and Mayor Robinson as the Council Rep for the Committee of Adjustment and Property Standards Committee for the 2022-2026 term of Council.

CARRIED

8.4 Report on Live from the Rock 2023 Donation

Resolution #10

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves an in-kind donation to Live from the Rock for the use of the Red Rock Marina and surrounding area, as well as assistance from the Public Works Department.

CARRIED

8.5 Report on 2023 Fee Schedule

Council discussed the proposed 2023 draft Fee Schedule on the table. The CAO noted that the fee schedule would have some additional changes, including new marina rates. After much discussion, Council was asked to bring any additional changes to the CAO prior to the next meeting.

8.6 Report on Bill 23

Council discussed some confusion and controversy surrounding the proposed Bill-23. The CAO noted that due to our location in the North, that Bill-23 should not affect the Township like it would in Southern Ontario.

NINE: BY-LAWS

9.1 By-law 2022-1302 – to formulate an Emergency Plan

Resolution #11

Moved by: Councillor Gladun
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law number 2022-1302, to formulate an Emergency Management Plan, be passed.

CARRIED

TEN: NEW BUSINESS

None

ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11.1 Council Committee Appointments

The CAO specified that the committees Council would like to continue with in the new term of Council will be discussed in a Closed Educational Session scheduled within the next week.

11.2 EMS Consolidation

Council posed no questions or discussions on the item.

11.3 Taxation

Councillor Brand requested the definition of a farm and copies of minutes and by-laws from 1989 relating to taxation.

11.4 Strategic Plan Implementation

CAO Figliomeni stated that he would be in contact with the Community Development Officer on the implementation stage of the strategic plan.

TWELVE: CLOSED SESSION

Council did not go into Closed Session.

THIRTEEN: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

None

FOURTEEN: CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #12

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2022-1303, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting, be passed as circulated.

CARRIED

FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk