

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

998th REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MARCH 4th, 2024

Present:	Deputy Mayor:	G. Muir
	Councillors:	N. Gladun
		C. Brand
		M. Smith
	Chief Administrative Officer:	M. Figliomeni
	Municipal Secretary:	W. Odahl
	Community Development Officer:	A. Davis
	Regrets:	D. Robinson

ONE: CLOSED SESSION

1.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #1

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

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.

1.2 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Deputy Mayor Muir's request, Councillor Brand disclosed interest for Item 1.5 of the agenda in Closed Session. Councillor Brand left the Council Chambers at 6:45pm and returned at 6:59pm.

1.3 Minutes of February 20, 2024 Meeting of Council (Closed Session)

Resolution #2

Moved by: Councillor Gladun
Seconded by: Councillor Brand

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves Closed Session Minutes of the February 20, 2024 Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Resolution #3

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

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

While in Closed Session, Council approved the Closed Session Minutes from the February 20, 2024 meeting of Council. Council also discussed employee negotiations and matters under solicitor client privilege.

THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 Call to Order

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

3.2 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement & Moment of Silence

Deputy Mayor Muir 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

3.3 Acceptance of the Agenda

Deputy Mayor Muir noted an addition to the Agenda under By-laws, to levy Interim Tax Rates and to provide for penalty and interest of 1.25%. The Agenda was approved with the following resolution:

Resolution #4

Moved by: Councillor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this Meeting of Council, be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

3.4 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Deputy Mayor Muir’s request, no members disclosed interest in matters before Council this evening.

FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS

There were no presentations to Council at this meeting.

FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of the February 20, 2024 Meeting of Council

Council approved the Open Session Minutes for the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council with the following resolution:

Resolution #5

Moved by: Councillor Brand

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Open Session Minutes of the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

SIX: CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Resolutions from other Municipalities

Resolution #6

Moved by: Councillor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the correspondence from the Municipality of Calvin regarding AMO Social and Economic Prosperity Municipality Review.

CARRIED

6.2 Northwest Senior Games

Council discussed forwarding the information on the Northwest Senior Games in Thunder Bay on to the Golden Club, as well as distributing more information to the public once it is received.

6.3 Thunder Bay Regional Health & Sciences Foundation – Thank You

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.4 TBDHU – January 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.5 TBDSSAB – January 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes (Open & Closed)

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.6 NOMA – November 22, 2024

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.7 TBDSSAB – 2024-2027 Strategic Plan

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.8 Northern Ontario Women's Caucus

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

SEVEN: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES

None

EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Report from Community Development Officer

The CDO discussed her report with Council, highlighting the process of the Community Interpretation Plan with new logos now being voted on by the public.

Resolution #7

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council awards the tender for the Red Rock Recreation Centre Rehabilitation Project upgrades to RML Contracting in the amount of \$1,170,500.00, plus HST.

CARRIED

Resolution #8

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from Community Development Officer, be received.

CARRIED

8.2 Report on Administrative Activity

The CAO reviewed his report with Council. He highlighted the Thunder Bay District Municipal League Conference held in Nipigon as well as the announcement from the BMI Group and Rock Tech regarding the site selection of the proposed lithium refinery plant in Red Rock.

Resolution #9

Moved by: Councillor Gladun
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

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

CARRIED

8.3 Report on 2024 Water & Sewer Rates

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

Resolution #10

Moved by: Councillor Gladun

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves a 5% increase to all water and sewer rates for the 2024 year.

CARRIED

NINE: BY-LAWS

9.1 By-law 2024-1350 – to levy Interim Tax Rates and provide for penalty and interest of 1.25%

Council briefly discussed the by-law, referring to sending out the Interim Tax Bills.

Resolution #11

Moved by: Councillor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-1350, to levy Interim Tax Rates and to provide for penalty and interest of 1.25%, be passed

CARRIED

TEN: NEW BUSINESS

None

ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The CAO gave Council an update on the EMS Consolidation, OPP Detachment Board and Bruno's Development. He noted that Bruno's has started to clear trees from the development area.

TWELVE: CLOSED SESSION

Council did not go back into Closed Session.

THIRTEEN: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

None

FOURTEEN: CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #12

Moved by: Councillor Brand

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-1351, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting be passed as circulated.

CARRIED

FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Muir reminded the public that the next meeting of Council will be held on Monday, March 18th.

With no further business to conduct, Deputy Mayor Muir declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55p.m.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk