

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held at the Municipal Office

On Wednesday, January 12, 2011

PRESENT: Mayor Ziggy Polkowski
Councillor Dawne Kilgour
Councillor Roger Shott
Councillor Bev Dale
Councillor Curtis Coulson
Councillor Bill Lankinen
Councillor Mike McCooeye
Clerk Delma Stajkowski

Mayor Polkowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND AMEND THE AGENDA:

Res. No. 9-01-2011

Moved by: B. A. Dale
Seconded by: Roger Shott

That the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby adopts the Agenda for January 12, 2011, and amends it as follows:

Under Audience Deputations:
: Lovette Ulakovic – request for extension agreement

Under Correspondence:
: Thunder Bay District Municipal League – Safe Drinking Water Ac

Under New Business:
: Snowplow Training for employees
: NOMA – top two issues for Municipalities in relation to the Provincial Budget

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Councillor Shott declared a conflict on the Neebing Recreation Board appointments.

ADOPTING THE MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of Council – December 15, 2010

Res. No. 10-01-2011

Moved by: Dawne Kilgour
Seconded by: B. A. Dale

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

TABLE BY-LAWS:

By-Law Number 11-01-2011 being a by-law for the provision of one-third of the remuneration be paid to elected members of Council.

Res. No. 11-01-2011

Moved by: Dawne Kilgour
Seconded by: B. A. Dale

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law Number 873-2011 being a by-law for the provision of one-third of the remuneration be paid to elected members of Council be read for a first and second time this 12th day of January, 2011.

CARRIED

REPORTS:

Neebing Recreation Committee, "Draft" December 13th, 2010

It was noted that the Recreation was recommending that the fee schedule be reviewed and the one set out in the minutes adopted. Council concurred and directed the Clerk to prepare the necessary by-law, amending it to read "In community" non-profit. The \$300 deposit would continue to be required.

Res. No. 12-01-2011

Moved by: M. McCooeye
Seconded by: Bill Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the draft minutes of the Neebing Recreation Committee held on Monday, December 13th, 2010 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

REPORTS: con't

Waste Management Committee, "Draft" November 16th, 2010

Res. No. 13-01-2011

Moved by: Curtis Coulson
Seconded by: M. McCooye

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Waste Management Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS:

To request an extension for infrastructure stimulus projects.

Res. No. 14-01-2011

Moved by: B. A. Dale
Seconded by: Roger Shott

MOTION TO REQUEST AN EXTENSION FOR INFRASTRUCTURE STIMULUS PROJECTS

WHEREAS the federal and provincial governments are providing a one-time extension of the deadline for funding of projects under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, Building Canada Fund – Communities Top-Up, the Recreational Infrastructure Canada/Ontario Recreation Program, and the Knowledge Infrastructure Program from March 31, 2011 to October 31, 2011;

AND WHEREAS all funding from the Government of Canada and Ontario will cease after October 31, 2011;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing has asked the provincial government for an extension to federal and provincial funding to October 31, 2011 for the following projects:

Program	Project number	Project title	Total eligible cost
ISF	556	Sand/Salt Storage Shed	\$100,000

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing attests that it will continue to contribute its share of the required funding for the aforementioned projects;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT actual claims for all eligible costs incurred by March 31, 2011, for the aforementioned projects must be and will be submitted no later than April 30, 2011;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing will ensure that the project will be completed.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS: con't

To accept the Report as submitted by the Treasurer on Excluded Expenses as Required by Ontario Regulation 284/09

Res. No. 15-01-2011

Moved by: Dawne Kilgour
Seconded by: Roger Shott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby accepts the report as submitted by the Treasurer, Mr. Paul Greenwood regarding the excluded expenses as required by Ontario Regulation 284/09.

CARRIED

Town of Fort Frances – OPP Contract Policing Costs

Res. No. 16-01-2011

Moved by: B. A. Dale
Seconded by: Dawne Kilgour

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby supports the Town of Fort Frances and requests that the Provincial Government, through its Police Services grant in the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) formula, cover all increased costs associated with recently negotiated OPP contract, for all northern and rural municipalities.

CARRIED

AUDIENCE DEPUTATIONS:

Mrs. Lovette Ulakovic was before Council to request that an extension agreement be adopted, by Council, which would allow her to pay her tax arrears so that her property will not be put up for tax sale. Council reviewed the procedures followed to date with the Treasurer and then directed the Clerk to prepare the proper notices for the extension.

CORRESPONDENCE

Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection – A Decision Makers' Guide

Mayor Polkowski and Councillor Dale will attend this session.

MPAC

Council requested that a comparison report be prepared for the weighted assessment and final amount due for 2010 versus the reduced assessment after the Minutes of Settlement had been prepared for the various boards (i.e. DSSAB).

CORRESPONDENCE: con't

Thunder Bay District Social Services Administrative Board – Housing Strategy

Mayor Polkowski, along with Councillors Shott and Dale indicated they would go to the Housing Strategy session on January 25, 2011.

Leading Edge Workshop

Councillor Kilgour indicated she would attend this.

BY-LAWS:

3rd Reading of By-law number 873-2011 being a By-law for the provision of one-third of the remuneration be paid to elected members of Council.

Res. No. 17-01-2011

Moved by: M. McCooey
Seconded by: Bill Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law Number 873-2011 being a by-law for the provision of one-third of the remuneration be paid to elected members of Council be read for a third time and finally passed this 12th day of January, 2011.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Health & Safety issues;

The Clerk advised that the water had been tested at both the Hall and the Municipal Office and came back with no adverse effects.

Appointments to Boards and permission to post By-law Number 874-2011 being a by-law to appoint officials

Council asked that this be taken in-camera to discuss further.

Delegation to Ministers at OGRA/ROMA

Council determined they would like to try and obtain a meeting with the Minister of MNR (updates to Species at Risk) and the Minister of Infrastructure (chip sealing of roads and the cliffs at Cloud Lake) and with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (development in Neebing).

Budget Committee

Mayor Polkowski; Councillors Lankinen and Kilgour would sit as a committee with the Treasurer to review the budget. Councillor Coulson would act as the alternate.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: con't

Mayor Polkowski asked that Council consider having the landfill site open 1 day during the week to assist those who work shift work and weekends. It was determined that this would be reviewed during budget talks.

Mayor Polkowski asked that monthly statements be made available indicating the monthly totals, year to date totals and percentages used to date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Permission to Post:

Permission was granted to post: By-law Number 875-2011 being a by-law to appoint a Committee of Adjustment
: By-law Number 876-2011 being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy; to provide for the payment of taxes and to provide for penalty and interest of 1.25 percent.

Waive Fee for building permits (Eagle Mountain Resorts)

Res. No. 18-01-2011

Moved by: Dawne Kilgour

Seconded by: B. A. Dale

WHEREAS Eagle Mountain Resorts had applied for, and been granted, building permits for a cottage, a guest cabin and a utility building on the property known as Section 2, Concession 6 Township of Crooks in 2007;

AND WHEREAS due to circumstances beyond the control of Eagle Mountain Resorts, the permits were subsequently revoked and cancelled;

AND WHEREAS Eagle Mountain Resorts have cleared up the concerns and have obtained the proper clearance permits from the LRCA;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neening hereby agrees to waive the building fees for the three construction permits that have been submitted for approval.

CARRIED

Building By-law

Council struck a committee to meet with the CBO and to go over the proposed by-law. Councillors Shott, Coulson and McCooeye would sit with the Clerk to review the proposals.

Set date to meet with Treasurer and Operations Manager for remuneration review.

Council asked that a special meeting be set up for 6:00 p.m. on January 19 to review the contracts in detail. No staff would attend this meeting other than the Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS: con't

Set date for Official Plan Amendment # 4 – 2nd public meeting (Kapush)
March 16 would be set aside for the 2nd public meeting.

Training for Public Works Employees

The Operations Manager advised that there was an opportunity for specialized training in the area for snowplow operators. There was to be 1.5 days of classroom training and .5 days of equipment training. Council advised that on-going training was mandatory and the Operations Manager should proceed with making the arrangements.

Procedural By-law Updates

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the procedural by-law and Section 38 in Rules of Debate. The Clerk was directed to prepare an amending by-law for By-law Number 859-2010 to amend Section 38 – delete “Chair does not speak” – add “Chair speaks from the chair”.

Adjourn to In-Camera

Res. No. 19-01-2011

Moved by: B. A. Dale
Seconded by: Roger Shott

WHEREAS the time being 10:00 p.m., be it resolved that this Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned to an In-Camera Meeting to discuss personnel issues.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the applications submitted for the various boards and committees.

Lieu time was discussed.

Extend Meeting

Res. No. 20-01-2011

Moved by: B. A. Dale
Seconded by: Dawne Kilgour

THAT the time being 10:30 p.m., and the business on the agenda is not yet complete;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 9 of By-law Number 859-2010, Council approves the extension of the 10:30 p.m. curfew.

CARRIED

Discussions ensued regarding the contract for the Operations Manager.

A vacation request was reviewed.

Adjourn the In-Camera Session and return to the Regular Meeting of Council

Res. No. 22-01-2011

Moved by: Curtis Coulson

Seconded by: M. McCooeye

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 10:50, the In-Camera portion of the meeting is hereby adjourned and the Regular Meeting of Council is resumed.

CARRIED

Council directed that the Clerk prepare the by-law appointing members to certain boards and committees.

The Clerk was directed to forward the lawyers letter regarding lieu time to the new council members.

The Clerk or Treasurer is to let the Mayor know when they are both going to be off at the same time.

The Clerk is to advise the Roads Foreman that gates must be erected at the garage.

ADJOURNMENT:

Res. No. 23-01-2011

Moved by: B. A. Dale

Seconded by: Dawne Kilgour

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 10:56 p.m., this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned.

CARRIED

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Ziggy Polkowski
MAYOR

Delma Stajkowski, AMCT
CLERK