

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held at the Municipal Office

On Wednesday, August 17, 2011

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

Mayor Polkowski called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND AMEND THE AGENDA:

Res. No. 288-07-2011

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby adopts the Agenda for Wednesday, August 17th, 2011 and amends the agenda as follows:

Under Adopt Minutes:

: Special Meeting of August 4th, 2011

Under Reports:

: Postpone Tony Pacifico until September 7, 2011.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Councillor Shott disclosed a conflict with regards to the voucher and the payment to Tycon Construction.

ADOPTING THE MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of Council – August 17,, 2011

Res. No. 322-08-2011

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, July 13th, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Special Meeting of Council – July 21st, 2011

Res. No. 323-08-2011

Moved by: Bill Lankinen
Seconded by: Mike McCooney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on Thursday, July 21st, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Special Meeting of Council – August 4th, 2011

Councillors Kilgour and Coulson abstained from voting as they were absent for this meeting.

Res. No. 324-8-2011

Moved by: Dawne Kilgour
Seconded by: Roger Shott

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on Thursday, August 4th, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

TABLE BY-LAWS:

1st and 2nd Reading of By-law Number 907-2011 being a by-law to appoint a Landfill Site Attendant for the Municipality of Neebing.

Res. No. 325--08-2011

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law Number 907-2011 being a by-law to appoint a Landfill Site Attendant for the Municipality of Neebing be read for a first and second time this 17th day of August, 2011.

CARRIED

REPORTS:

Update on Road Issues

Mr. Chaschuk updated Council on the summer road schedule and the completion of various projects. He advised that the chip seal on Boundary Drive E had been placed; some gravelling had taken place and grading was ongoing.

Discussions ensued regarding the safety of the Sturgeon Bay Road where the recent construction realigned the roadway. It was noted that geo-tech cloth had been installed under the "A" gravel; additional crusher fines and calcium had been placed and it was only a matter of time for the roadbed to pack and tighten up. The construction was as per the contract with the roadbed being the proper width. It was felt that at this time, no guide rails were required and that Mr. Chaschuk would continue to monitor the area for any areas of concern. Council further noted that the heavy traffic and rain during the construction did hamper the project at the time.

Discussions continued regarding the placement of milled asphalt on Boundary Drive W. Mr. Chaschuk stated that the material would be put on at about 4" and pack down to 3. The entire cost should be approximately \$58,000. Taranis Construction would be milling a portion of Hwy 61 and Neebing would provide trucks to be loaded from the milling machine to haul and place the cold material on the roadway.

Councillor Shott requested further information prior to making any decision as he felt there were a number of other projects on the go that had to be cleared before moving onto something that had not been budgeted for. The Clerk was directed to inquire about liability issues in loading from the milling machine.

The Public Works Foreman advised that he had prepared a tender for 6-ton truck that he wished to advertise for. He stated that if awarded the truck would not be received until 2012 as it is currently a six (6) month wait time for a truck to be put together. Council advised that they would like to see a cost estimate for the proposed truck and would also like to have a copy of the tender to peruse for the next meeting of Council.

The Public Works Foreman was asked to provide Council with a cost estimate for the bridge repairs that are currently required.

Neebing Waste Management Committee – Minutes of June 6/2011

Res. No. 326-08-2011

Moved by: Curtis Coulson

Seconded by: Mike McCooeye

THAT the minutes of the Neebing Waste Management Committee Meeting held on Monday, June 6th, 2011 be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS: con't

Neebing Economic (Development) Advisory Committee – Draft Minutes Aug 10/2011

Res. No. 327-08-2011

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

THAT the draft minutes of the Neebing Economic (Development) Advisory Committee Meeting held on August 10th, 2011 be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

Neebing Recreation Committee – Draft Minutes of August 8, 2011.

Res. No. 328-08-2011

Moved by: Bill Lankinen
Seconded by: Mike McCooeye

THAT the draft minutes of the Neebing Recreation Committee held on August 8th, 2011 be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS:

Voucher Report for July, 2011

Councillor Shott declared a conflict and left the room.

Res. No. 329-08-2011

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby approves the vouchers, as presented: VOUCHER NUMBER 6/11 – June, 2011

Liabilities	
HST and Source deductions	\$ 45,449.25
Expense Accounts	
General Government	41,055.83
Protection to persons and property	12,136.56
Transportation Services	106,894.79
Environmental Services	5,191.61
Health Services	3,498.00

RESOLUTIONS: con't

Voucher Report for July, 2011

Res. No. 329-08-2011

Social and Family Services	33,448.00
Recreation and cultural services	461.77
Planning and development	0.00
Capital Purchases – all departments	128,466.65
School Board Payments	105,549.55

Total disbursements in month **\$ 377,016.65**

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Township of Tay – funding of Physician Recruitment in Ontario

Res. No. 330-08-2011

Moved by: Mike McCooye
Seconded by: Bill Lankinen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby supports the Township of Tay in eliminating incentives given by Municipalities as part of Health care recruitment as it is seen as a Provincial responsibility;

AND FURTHER THAT Municipalities request the province to develop and implement a plan to attract health care professionals including physicians in a fair and equitable manner without cost to Municipalities.

CARRIED

Municipality of Bayham – Province of Ontario and OPP

Res. No. 331-08-2011

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 Municipality of Bayham and requests the Province of Ontario and the OPP to reconsider their recent agreement, and include municipalities in contract negotiations;

AND FURTHER THAT if such reconsideration is not pursued or such reconsideration fails to reach a settlement satisfactory to all that the Province and OPP utilize the next 24 months to make plans to cut service levels, including any necessary layoffs, in order to offset the wage increase of over 14%.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS: con't

Municipality of Central Huron – Moratorium on current & future wind energy facilities

Res. No. 332-08-2011

Moved by: Mike McCooye

Seconded by: Curtis Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby supports the Municipality of Central Huron in their request that the Province of Ontario declare a moratorium on all current and future projects for on-shore and off-shore development of wind energy facilities until it has commissioned properly-designed independent third-party scientific research into the long-term effects, released the findings for public comment, and has incorporated those comments to enact science based maximums for wind facility emissions, and for electrical emission from all related electrical facilities, and can therefore guarantee to Council's satisfaction that the health and well-being of the Municipality's human and animal populations are protected from the direct and indirect negative effects of being in proximity to those IWT facilities.

DEFEATED

Lyme disease resolution

Res. No. 338-08-2011

Moved by: Roger Shott

Seconded by: Dawne Kilgour

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby supports the County of Huron in their petition to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to request the Minister of Health to direct the Ontario Public Health system and OHIP to include all currently available and scientifically verified tests for Acute and Chronic Lyme diagnosis, to do everything necessary to create public awareness of Lyme Disease in Ontario, and to have internationally developed diagnosis and successful treatment protocols available to patients and physicians.

CARRIED

Council felt that the knowledge that is available to residents on Lyme's disease the more aware they would become. The Clerk was directed to place an article in the newsletter alerting the public to the fact that ticks are in the area and to be conscious of the difference between wood ticks and deer ticks.

RESOLUTIONS: con't

Lupus Foundation of Ontario – Lupus Awareness Month

Res. No. 334-08-2011

Moved by: Curtis Coulson
Seconded by: M. McCooeye

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing hereby supports the Lupus Foundation of Ontario that October 2011 is hereby designated as “October is Lupus Awareness Month” when organizations around the world call for increases in public and private sector funding for medical research on lupus, targeted education programs for health professionals, patients and the public, and worldwide recognition of lupus as a significant public health issue.

CARRIED

Council requested that a notice be placed in the newsletter; on the website and on the media board indicating that October is Lupus Month.

AUDIENCE DEPUTATIONS:

TransCanada Trails

Ms. Kirsten Spence and Mr. Shaun Carsten who were representing the TransCanada Trails committee appeared before Council to update them on the activities of the trails committee and to answer questions Council may have on establishing a trail in Neebing. Council spoke candidly about the past concerns they had with trails, and indicated that to establish a land trail through Neebing was difficult as there are allot of privately owned land in between the Crown land sections making it difficult to connect. Council agreed that it would be prudent to investigate a water trail for Neebing and directed that the Neebing Economic (Development) Advisory Committee work with the TransCanada Trails to research this further.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council reviewed correspondence as presented.

BY-LAWS:

3rd Reading of By-law Number 907-2011 being a by-law to appoint a Landfill Site Attendant

Res. No. 335-08-2011

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law Number 907-2011 being a by-law to appoint a Landfill Site Attendant for the Municipality of Neebing be read for a third time and finally passed this 17th, day of August 2011.

Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Health & Safety issues;

No new H & S issues were declared at this time.

NOMA – registration for conference

The Clerk asked that Council members decide if they wished to attend the dinner during the conference as this was an additional fee.

MTO – unwarranted street illumination

The Clerk was directed to contact MTO to remind them of their commitment to establish a light standard at the corner of Sturgeon Bay Road.

Council wished a letter be drafted to MTO requesting that they consider turning lanes at Sturgeon Bay Road; Cloud Lake Road and Jarvis Bay Road when doing the next major upgrade to Hwy 61.

Update – Sand/salt storage shed

Council reviewed the updated cost estimates for the foundation of the sand/salt storage shed and determined this was still far too much money to expend on this project. The Clerk was directed to request other foundation plans (including costs) from Norseman; ultimately the Clerk is inquire if we can return the building to Norseman and what refund they would give.

Councillor Lankinen stated that Council would meet with the Public Works Crew in the fall to go over next year's work plan. Mr. Chaschuk noted that some brushing had been done, but not the quantity that had been expected due to time constraints.

NEW BUSINESS

North of Superior Tourism – Ambassador Program

Members of Council requested further information prior to making a decision on this program.

IN-CAMERA

Adjourn to In-Camera

Res. No. 336-08-2011

Moved by: M. McCooeye

Seconded by: Bill Lankinen

That the time being 9:19 p.m. this Regular Meeting of Council is adjourned to an In-Camera Meeting to discuss issues labour relations under Section 239 (2) (d) of the Municipal Act 2001, c.25 as amended.

CARRIED

Discussion:

Council reviewed the applications for the Medical Bursary.

Council reviewed the applications for the position of Deputy Clerk-Treasurer.

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

Res. No. 337-08-2011

Moved by: Roger Shott

Seconded by: B. A. Dale

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 9:51 the In-Camera portion of the meeting is hereby adjourned and the Regular Meeting of Council is resumed.

CARRIED

Council agreed that Tonya Unruh be provided with the medical bursary for 2011. The Clerk is to contact her to ensure she is still registered in a qualified course. The presentation will be made at the next Regular Meeting of Council.

Mayor Polkowski along with Councillors Kilgour and Dale will sit with the Clerk to go over the resumes for the Deputy Clerk-Treasurers position the week of August 29th to shortlist and interview possible candidates. A recommendation will be made to Council after the interviews have been finalized.

ADJOURNMENT:

Res. No. 338-08-2011

Moved by: Curtis Coulson

Seconded by: M. McCooeye

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 9:53 p.m., this Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned.

CARRIED

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Ziggy Polkowski
MAYOR

Delma Stajkowski, AMCT
CLERK