MINUTES

for the

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

February 9, 2021
9:00 a.m.
Online
2 West Carling Bay Road, Nobel, Ontario

Attendance

Council Members Present
Mayor Konoval
Councillor Crookshank
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Murphy

Staff Present
Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk
Mackenzie Taylor, Records Clerk / Deputy Clerk
Gord Harrison, Fire Chief
Ryan Snowball, Planner
Naythan Nunes, Chief Building Official

Regrets
Councillor Gilbert

This meeting was held ELECTRONICALLY in accordance with section 23 of the Township's Procedure By-law. Those who contacted the Clerk's Office prior to the meeting were able to observe the meeting live.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

(1) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

(2) ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATION

None

4. PRESENTATIONS

(1) INTRODUCTION TO REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER – JAMES COX

James Cox introduced himself to Council as the new Regional Economic Development Officer. He gave them a quick overview of what he has worked on so far and what he is hoping to accomplish during his time in this role.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

21-012 **Moved by Councillor Crookshank**
Seconded by Councillor Crocker

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that consent Agenda Items 5(1) through 5(7) inclusive be adopted.

Carried

(1) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a. Regular Meeting of Council

21-012.1a

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January12th, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

b. Special Meeting of Council

21-012.1b

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on January 21st, 2021 be adopted

Carried

c. Committee Meeting of Council

21-012.1c

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Committee Meeting of Council held on January 26th, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

(2) COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

21-012.2

Councillor Crookshank asked that item N-Township of Lake Of Bays Resolution regarding Revisions to the Municipal Elections Act be removed from the Council Correspondence Package for further discussion.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives the February Council Correspondence listing.

Carried

(3) REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

None

(4) STAFF REPORTS

None

(5) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MOTIONS

a) Snug Harbour Lighthouse Management Plan

21-012.5a

Moved by Councillor Gilbert
Seconded by Councillor Crookshank

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council directs staff to proceed with the development of a management plan for Snug Harbour Lighthouse as discussed by Council.

Carried

b) SRA 2020-01 (Boule)

21-012.5b

Moved by Councillor Murphy
Seconded by Councillor Gilbert

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council agree to open file SRA 2020-01, being an application to close and convey the shore road allowance in front of Part of Lot 23, Concession D (35 Water Access Zone G) and that the shore road allowance to be closed and conveyed be declared surplus, pursuant to Property Disposal By-law 2004-07.

Carried

c) SRA 2020-02 (Frede /2384906 Ontario Inc.)

21-012.5c

Moved by Councillor Gilbert
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council agree to open file SRA 2020-02, being an application to close and convey that shore road allowance in front of Lots 72 and 73, Plan M 170 (46 and 48 Rockcliffe Drive) and that the shore road allowance to be closed and conveyed be declared surplus, pursuant to Property Disposal By-law 2004-07.

Carried

d) Letter of Concurrence Re: Parry Sound Industrial Park

21- Moved by Councillor Gilbert
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council agree to sign a letter of concurrence with Vianet Inc., for the implementation of a telecommunication tower at the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park.

Deferred

21-012.5d Moved by Councillor Crocker
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council herby defers the signing of a letter of concurrence for a Vianet communication tower that is to be located in the Township of Carling at the Industrial Park and request that Vianet representative come to a future Council meeting to discuss the Tower and the need.

AND FURTHER that prior to Council issuing a letter of concurrence that this item be brought back to the Industrial park board to be reconsidered with the new information available regarding alternative internet options.

e) Closed Session

21-012.5e1 Moved by Councillor Crookshank
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move into a Closed Session at 11:07 a.m. pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, for matters pertaining to identifiable individuals in relation to employee salaries and to discuss the Parry Sound Area Planning Board

Carried

21-012.5e2 Moved by Councillor Murphy
Seconded by Councillor Gilbert

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move out of a closed session at 11:47 a.m.

Carried

21-012.5e3

Moved by Councillor Gilbert
Seconded by Councillor Crocker

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize staff to proceed as directed in close session.

Carried

(6) REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

None

(7) SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS

None

6. PLANNING FILES

None

7. BY- LAWS

None

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Councillor Crookshank reported that he attended a meeting with the Medical Officer of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound Health District, Councillor Murphy also attended this meeting. Councillor Crocker reported on the Museum on Tower Hill and on the Industrial Park Board. Council Murphy reported on the Parry Sound Public Library and Mayor Konoval reported that he attended the Park to Park Trail Annual General Meeting.

Break 10:06 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.,

9. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) GREY HIGHLANDS INSURANCE RATE RESOLUTION

21-013 **Moved by Councillor Crookshank**
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

WHEREAS the Council for the Municipality of Grey Highlands passed resolution 2021-39 calling on the Province of Ontario to immediately review their recommendations and to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amount over industry standards as insurance premiums become out of reach for many communities.

AND WHEREAS the Council for the Township of Carling shares these same concerns regarding the increasing insurance rates.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of Carling support the Municipality of Grey Highland resolution 2021-39.

AND BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that this resolution of support be provided to the Honourable Norm Miller MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka, the Honourable Doug Downey, Ontario Attorney General, and the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

Carried

(2) FIRE COLLEGE CLOSURE

21-014 **Moved by Councillor Crookshank**
Seconded by Councillor Crocker

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been in existence since 1949;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our fire service within the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been used to train and certify both volunteer, part-time and career firefighters throughout Ontario,

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College gives Ontario Firefighters another option other than Regional Training Centres to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certification;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College is the most cost-effective method to certify Firefighters to NFPA standards in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Government enacted and revoked O.Reg 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018;

AND WHEREAS when the Ontario Government revoke O.Reg 379/18: Firefighters Certification, it was made known by the office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Carling request that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College, as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters, which assist us in protecting our residents;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Ontario Fire Marshal, Jon Pegg

Carried

(3) REVISIONS TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS ACT

21-015 **Moved by Councillor Crookshank**
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

WHEREAS The Councils for the Township of Lake of Bays and the Municipality of Mississippi Mills passed resolutions of support to amend the Municipal Elections Act to provide clearer, stronger wording to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list and to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report electron fraud.

AND WHEREAS the Council for the Township of Carling agrees with this statement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of Carling support the resolutions passed by the Township of Lake of Bays and the Municipality of Mississippi Mills;

AND BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, The Township of the Lake of Bays, the Honorable Norm Miller, MPP for Parry Sound – Muskoka, the Honorable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried

11. CLOSED SESSION

21-016 **Moved by Councillor Crocker**
Seconded by Councillor Crookshank

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move into a CLOSED SESSION at 10:32 a.m., pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, for matters pertaining to employee relations.

Carried

21-017 **Moved by Councillor Crookshank**
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move out of a CLOSED SESSION at 11:11 a.m.

Carried

Council discussed the staffing market review and the CAO is to proceed as directed in closed session. The CAO was directed to proceed with placing an advertisement for a Deputy Treasurer.

21-018 **Moved by Councillor Crocker**
Seconded by Councillor Crookshank

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes staff to proceed as directed in closed session.

Carried

12. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

2021-03 **Moved by Councillor Murphy**
Seconded by Councillor Crocker

BEING A BY-LAW to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 9, 2021.

Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

21-019

Moved by Councillor Gilbert
Seconded by Councillor Murphy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 11:13 a.m .

Carried

Mike Konoval, Mayor

Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk