MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING Tuesday, November 14, 2023

A regular meeting of the Township of Nipissing Council was held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 starting at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, and livestreamed to the Township of Nipissing YouTube Channel.

Present: Mayor Tom Piper and Councillors Tom Butler, Stephen Kirkey, Shelly Foote and Dave Yemm.

Staff: Operations Superintendent Dan MacInnis; Office Assistant-Intern Kim Turnbull; Land Planning and Technology Administrator-Deputy Treasurer John-Paul Negrinotti; Fire Chief-MLEO-CEMC Will Bateman and Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Kris Croskery-Hodgins.

Guest: Tim McBride and Alana Valle, Pinchin.

Disclosure of pecuniary interest: None.

Committee Reports:

Councillor Shelly Foote: Emergency Medical Service Advisory Committee (EMS), Township of

Nipissing Recreation Committee.

Mayor Tom Piper: Eastholme Home for the Aged Board of Management.

R2023-206 T. Butler, D. Yemm:

That the minutes of the Council meeting held October 17, 2023, be adopted as published. **Carried**.

R2023-207 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

THAT we direct municipal staff to research and prepare a draft Bag Limit Program for the Township of Nipissing landfill sites for potential implementation in 2024. **Carried**.

R2023-208 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

THAT we approve the Township of Nipissing Strategic Plan 2023-2026 as presented. Carried.

R2023-209 T. Butler, S. Kirkey:

WHEREAS the Income Tax Act provides for a \$3,000 volunteer firefighter and volunteer search and rescue tax credit;

AND WHEREAS volunteer firefighters are providing a valuable necessary service to communities at a cost to their personal lives and time away from employment for emergency calls;

AND WHEREAS the tax rebate amount has not been reviewed or updated in keeping with the cost of living increases;

THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Nipissing supports the request for a review of the tax credit amount and an increase in keeping with cost of living increases and to provide a value service reward to volunteer firefighters. **Carried.**

R2023-210 S. Foote, D. Yemm:

WHEREAS the NFPA standard for Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) units is changing in 2024 and 2025;

AND WHEREAS the Capital Forecast for Fire Department equipment identified SCBA units for replacement in 2025 at an estimated cost of \$150,000;

AND WHEREAS the anticipated change to the NFPA standard may have a significant impact on pricing and the supply of SCBA units;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Nipissing authorizes the circulation of a Request for Proposal for the supply of SCBA units for consideration in the 2024 and 2025 budget and capital budget creation. **Carried.**

R2023-211 S. Foote, S. Kirkey:

THAT we accept the resignation of Terri Reidt from the Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee and the Township of Nipissing Cemetery Committee. **Carried.**

R2023-212 S. Kirkey, D. Yemm:

THAT we accept the letter of interest submitted by Brenda Lennon to become a representative of the Township of Nipissing on the Powassan District Union Public Library Board. **Carried.**

R2023-213 T. Butler, S. Foote:

That we accept the correspondence as presented. Carried.

R2023-214 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

That the statement of accounts dated: October 27 and 28; November 8, 2023; totaling \$155,997.02 be approved. **Carried.**

R2023-215 D. Yemm, S. Kirkey:

That we pass By-Law No. 2023-43, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on November 14, 2023.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 14th day of November. **Carried**.

R2023-216 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 8:08 p.m. Next regular meeting to be held December 5, 2023. **Carried.**

Mayor:

Municipal Administrator:

Minutes prepared as per Section 228 (1)(a) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25. Clerk to record, without note or comment, all resolutions, decisions and other proceedings of the council. Minutes to be approved by Council at the next regular Council Meeting.