

MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING
Tuesday, December 5, 2023

A regular meeting of the Township of Nipissing Council was held on Tuesday, December 5, 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.

Disclosure of pecuniary interest: None.

Committee Reports:

Councillor Shelly Foote: Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee.

Councillor Stephen Kirkey: Powassan District Union Public Library Board.

Mayor Tom Piper: Golden Sunshine Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation Board of Management (Pines); Eastholme Home for the Aged Board of Management.

R2023-217 D. Yemm, S. Foote:

That the minutes of the Council meeting held November 14, 2023, be adopted as published. **Carried.**

R2023-218 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

The 2024 Council Meeting Schedule will be as follows:

January 2, 2024	January 16, 2024
February 6, 2024	February 20, 2024
March 5, 2024	March 19, 2024
April 2, 2024	April 16, 2024
May 14, 2024	May 28, 2024
June 4, 2024	June 18, 2024
July 16, 2024	
August 13, 2024	
September 3, 2024	September 17, 2024
October 1, 2024	October 15, 2024
November 12, 2024	
December 3, 2024	December 17, 2024. Carried.

R2023-219 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

That the 2023 Holiday hours for municipal operations be as follows:

Township Office

December 25-29, 2023 Closed

Landfill Sites: *remains closed Tuesdays, as per regular schedule.

December 24, 2023 Closed at 2:00 p.m.

December 25, 2023 Closed

December 26, 2023 Closed

December 31, 2023 Closed at 2:00 p.m.

January 1, 2024 Closed

Carried.

R2023-220 D. Yemm, S. Foote:

That we authorize the Township Office to close Thursday, December 21, 2023 to allow staff to attend training. **Carried.**

R2023-221 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

THAT the Township of Nipissing supports the investigation into and legal change to prohibit any vehicles from passing on the left side of a lane when it is marked with two solid yellow lines.

Carried.

R2023-222 S. Foote, S. Kirkey:

That we accept the submission from Pesce & Associates in response to RFP for an HR Consultant – Compensation, Pay Equity and Policy Review to commence in 2024 and be included in the 2024 Operating Budget.

Total cost of submission \$23,800 plus applicable taxes. **Carried.**

R2023-223 S. Foote, D. Yemm:

THAT we appoint Lisa Chalapenko-Carmody to the Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee for the remainder of the Council term. **Carried.**

R2023-224 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

THAT we appoint Calvin Young to the Golden Sunshine Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation Board of Management as a Township of Nipissing representative for the remainder of the Council term. **Carried.**

R2023-225 S. Kirkey, D. Yemm:

WHEREAS public libraries are Ontario's farthest reaching, most cost-effective public resource.

AND WHEREAS the pressures of inflation on public libraries and municipal budgets are growing as well as social and economic challenges in communities across the province;

AND WHEREAS there has been no increase in Provincial funding in 25 years from the Provincial Libraries Operating Grant (PLOG) during which time the value of the province's investment in public libraries has decreased by over 60%;

AND WHEREAS this funding would support the ongoing operations, programming, resources, front line staffing and priority areas of communities which libraries play an important role in.

THEREFORE, the Council of the Township of Nipissing supports the Ontario Library Association (OLA) and Federation of Ontario of Public Libraries (FOPL) to advocate the Provincial Libraries Operating Grant and the Province of Ontario by asking for an increase to the budget by an additional \$25 million dollars to restore the funding to present day value.

AND THAT this Resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Heritage, Sport Tourism and Culture Industries, Neil Lumsden, MPP Vic Fedeli, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipal Association, The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Library Association and the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries. **Carried.**

R2023-226 T. Butler, S. Kirkey:

THAT we adopt an updated Strategic Asset Management Policy replacing the Policy approved by Resolution R2019-130. **Carried.**

R2023-227 T. Butler, D. Yemm:

THAT we pass By-Law Number 2023-44, being a By-Law to confirm the appointment of members to the Township of Nipissing Committee of Adjustment.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 5th day of December, 2023. **Carried.**

R2023-228 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

THAT we pass By-Law Number 2023-45, being a By-Law to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 5th day of December, 2023. **Carried.**

R2023-229 D. Yemm, T. Butler:

That we accept the correspondence as presented. **Carried.**

R2023-230 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

That the statement of accounts dated: November 10, 14, 16, 22, 24 and 27, 2023; totaling \$190,222.59 be approved. **Carried.**

R2023-231 D. Yemm, T. Butler:

That we pass By-Law No. 2023-46, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on December 5, 2023.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 5th day of December. **Carried.**

R2023-232 T. Butler, S. Foote:

That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 7:54 p.m. Next regular meeting to be held December 19, 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.