



## Municipality of French River

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

held in the Council Chambers  
French River Municipal Complex  
Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 6pm

#### **Members Present:**

Mayor Claude Bouffard(Chair), Councillors Michel Bigras, Ronald Garbutt, Malcolm Lamothe, Gisèle Pageau, Denny Sharp, Dean Wenborne

#### **Members Excused:**

#### **Officials Present:**

Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk  
Arthur Smith, Treasurer/Tax Collector  
Robert Martin, Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager  
Michael Campbell, Chief Building Official  
Carlie Zwiers, Executive Assistant

#### **Guests:**

18 Members of public

#### **1. Call to order, roll call and adoption of the agenda**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 66

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be approved as distributed and amended:

To add a Closed session pursuant to section 239 (b, d & e)

Carried

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#### **2. Moment of reflection**

Council paused for a moment of reflection.

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#### **3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None declared.

#### **4. Resolution to resolve into Committee**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 67

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council now go into Council in Committee to consider delegations, reports and correspondence for consideration.

Carried

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### **COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE**

Councillor Michel Bigras chaired the Council in Committee meeting.

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#### **5. Delegations**

##### **5.1 Bernie & Linda Chartrand, Requesting amendments to Noise By-law #2003-08**

Mr. & Mrs. Chartrand presented their concerns relating to the Noise By-law and how it does not address their dilemma concerning construction by a neighbour. The noise is affecting their quality of life and their ability to enjoy their property. Suggestions were made on how to amend the by-law such as clear wording, restrictions to the hours and days when noise is permitted, the type of noise permitted and regulations in permit application process.

A report by staff will be presented to Council to consider a review of the Noise By-law.

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##### **5.2 Sudbury & District Health Unit, Sudbury East Drug Strategy**

Gisele Henderson, Public Health Nurse made a presentation and informed that concerns were raised about drug use in our communities and outlined the need for a drug strategy with the surrounding municipalities. A request was made for Council's support in the development of the Sudbury East Drug Strategy.

A resolution will be considered at the Regular Council Meeting of March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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##### **5.3 French River Stewardship Council**

Joe Dippong informed and provided an update on the completed and ongoing projects related to water quality, fisheries, education/communication and the environment. Projects, research and activities such as water sampling, monitoring of Noëlville Sewage Lagoon, monitoring blue green algae, spawning bed rehabilitations, tree planting, shoreline rehabilitation and private waterfront septic systems.

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##### **5.4 French River Multi-Use Trail Association (FRMUTA) & Village ami des aînés (VAA)**

Mike Higgins provided an update on the established Bigwood Trail in Alban and the new walking trail from the Municipal Complex to Joe Chartrand Park to be called 'Joe Chartrand Trail'.

A resolution to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with FRMUTA will be considered at the Regular Council Meeting of March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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## **6. Management, Committee and Board Reports**

### **6.1 Mayor**

#### **6.1.1 FONOM Conference**

Council's Representation Budget was reduced during the budget deliberations to allow only one conference/training per year per Councillor and unlimited for the Mayor.

Moved By Dean Wenborne and Seconded By Claude Bouffard

Resol. 2016- 68

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the following attendees at the FONOM Conference in Timmins on May 11-13, 2016 at an approximate cost of \$1,200 each:

Denny Sharp  
Claude Bouffard

Carried

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#### **6.1.2 AFMO Conference**

A motion was not moved therefore not considered by Council; the item will not be pursued at this time.

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#### **6.1.3 Budget Process**

The Clerk reported on past budget practices and procedures.

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 69

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves to release the 2016 Summary Operating and Capital Draft Budget document to the public and that the Budget Policy be revised in time for the 2017 budget process.

Carried

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### **6.2 Chief Administrative Officer**

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#### **6.3 Clerk**

##### **6.3.1 Report under Section 76 of the Drainage Act**

The Clerk presented the report included in the agenda package.

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2016- 70

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorizes the Engineer (K. Smart Associates) to proceed with a new Assessment Schedule Report under Section 76 of the Drainage Act for Hwy 607 Drain.

Carried

## **6.4 Finance Department**

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### **6.4.1 Monthly Disbursements Report**

The Treasurer reported that the total disbursements for the month of January 2016 were in the amount of \$709,098.21.

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## **6.5 Sudbury East Planning Board**

### **6.5.1 2016 Municipal Apportionment**

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Dean Wenborne Resol. 2016- 71

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council adopts the Sudbury East Planning Board's 2016 Municipal Apportionment in the amount of \$48,602.00.

Carried

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## **6.6 Ontario Provincial Police / Community Policing Advisory Committee**

### **6.6.1 Monthly Municipal Policing Report**

The Policing Report for the months of November & December 2015 was distributed and any questions are to be forwarded to the Mayor to bring forward at the Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting.

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## **7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration**

### **7.1 Request for Support - Gas Price Variance in Northern Ontario**

Moved By Denny Sharp and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau Resol. 2016- 72

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council supports and agrees with the concerns brought forward by Charlie Angus, MP Timmins-James Bay to the Commissioner of Competition relating to the increasing gas prices and variances in Northern Ontario and that a letter be sent expressing those concerns.

Carried

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## **8. Verbal Motion to return into the Regular Meeting**

Moved by: Gisèle Pageau Resol. 2016- 73

**THAT** the Committee rise and report.

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## REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Claude Bouffard resumed the position of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

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### **9. Resolution adopting proceedings from Council in Committee**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 74

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the actions taken in Council in Committee in considering delegations, reports and correspondence be confirmed by this Council.

Carried

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### **10. CONSENT AGENDA**

The following motion was presented to adopt the items contained in the Consent Agenda:

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 75

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Items of the Consent Agenda under Sections 10.1, 10.4 and receives the Items under Sections 10.2, 10.3.

Carried

**Items 10.1 were taken out of the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

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**10.1 Item was separated from the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

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### **10.2 Minutes Received**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 76

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council receives the following minutes as presented:

Sudbury East Planning Board held December 10, 2015

Carried

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### **10.3 Correspondence for Council's Information**

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## 10.4 By-laws

The following By-laws were read and adopted:

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### 10.4.1 Confirmation By-law

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 77

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-09, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of French River at a meeting held on March 9, 2016 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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### 10.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2016- 78

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council adopts the following minutes as presented:

Regular Council Meeting held February 10, 2016  
Special Meeting of Council held February 17, 2016

Carried

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### 11. ADDENDUM (if required and by resolution)

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### 12. NOTICES OF MOTION

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### 13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Councillor Dean Wenborne is the representative of the Municipality who attends the conference calls and meetings of Sturgeon/Nipissing/French River Advisory Committee who monitor flow and water levels; a verbal report was given on the face to face meeting held in Callander on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

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### 14. Closed Session

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2016- 79

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be closed pursuant to section 239 (b), (d) and (e) of the *Municipal Act*, for the purpose of receiving an update on a personal matters that would identify municipal employees, labour relations or employee negotiations and litigation or potential litigation.

Carried

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2016- 80

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the open session reconvenes at 8:16p.m.

Carried

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**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved By Dean Wenborne and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2016- 81

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Carried

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**