



Municipality of French River

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL held in the Council Chambers French River Municipal Complex Wednesday, April 27, 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:

John Regan, Chief Administrative Officer
Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk
Robert Martin, Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager

Guests:

9 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.

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved as distributed.

Carried

2. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

4. DELEGATIONS

5. MANAGEMENT, COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

5.1 Mayor's Report

The Mayor gave a verbal report on the partner meeting held with Sustainable Building & Energy Consultants Inc. who are undertaking the Sudbury East Connectivity Project; preliminary maps and costing for the proposed fibre project were presented as well as the expected final cost of \$14-16 million dollars. Council will be kept updated on further development.

5.2 Chief Administrative Officer

The CAO gave a verbal report of a meeting held with community members who are seeking support from Council to create a Committee of Council to fundraise for community groups, municipal involvement could include Council's discretionary distribution of funds to ensure transparency, staff resources limited to the CAO and the Treasurer to administer the funds and meeting management as in-kind contributions. Council was interested in receiving more information, the group will be invited to address Council and present their plan.

The CAO informed Council that the auditors will be presenting the draft Financial Statements at the meeting scheduled for May 9.

5.3 Clerk's Department

5.3.1 Discussion to set a Committee of the Whole Meeting to review the Procedure By-law and Governance Structure

The Clerk informed Council that they will be polled on their availability to attend a meeting to consider recommendations for the review the Procedure By-law.

The Clerk also informed that a motion will be presented at the next meeting for Council to consider reducing the amount of meetings per month during the months of July and August as done last year; the practice is common to allow both administration and members of Council to plan vacation time around the organization's business.

5.3.2 First Quarter Report

The Clerk presented highlights of the First Quarter Report.

5.4 Parks, Recreation & Facilities Department

5.4.1 2016 Accessibility Plan

The Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager provided information pertaining to projects outlined in the Accessibility Plan. The accessibility of the sound system in the Council Chamber was questioned, a report was presented three years ago but the expense was not budgeted; the CAO will direct staff to update the report.

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Denny Sharp

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the 2016 Accessibility Plan.

Carried

5.4.2 First Quarter Report

The Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager presented highlights of the First Quarter Report.

5.5 Fire Department

5.5.1 First Quarter Report

The Fire Chief was not present; the report was included in the agenda package.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Items of the Consent Agenda under Sections 6.1, 6.3 and 6.5 and receives the Items under Sections 6.2 and 6.4.

Carried

6.1 Adoption of Minutes by Resolution

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

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

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Carried

6.2 Minutes Received by Resolution

6.3 Award of Tenders and Request for Proposals by Resolution

6.4 Correspondence for Council's Information Received by Resolution

6.5 Adoption of By-laws by Resolution

The following By-laws were read and adopted:

6.5.1 Confirmation By-law

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2016-15, 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 April 27, 2016 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

7. CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION

8. ADDENDUM (if required and by resolution)

The Clerk notified that an Addendum was requested by Councillor Malcolm Lamothe to allow a discussion on the closure of the Wolseley Bay Bin Site.

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Ron Garbutt

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council allows an Addendum to the Agenda as per the rules of the Procedural By-law 2012-70 under Section 8.8 authorizing Council to deal with an urgent matter that requires the immediate consideration of Council.

Mayor Claude Bouffard requested a Recorded Vote.

	FOR	AGAINST
COUNCILLOR Michel Bigras		x
COUNCILLOR Ron Garbutt	x	
COUNCILLOR Gisèle Pageau	x	
COUNCILLOR Denny Sharp		x
COUNCILLOR Dean Wenborne	x	
MAYOR Claude Bouffard		x

Defeated

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Councillor Gisèle Pageau mentioned that the Sprint Fling is being held Sunday, May 1 at the Alban Community Centre.

Councillor Dean Wenborne reported on the Sturgeon Nipissing French River Teleconference meeting held that week.

Arthur Adams, Noëlville, questioned the complaints process; written complaints are submitted to the Municipality and are not considered by Council other than those who require a Council decision, the response time is usually short but depends on the nature of the complaint, the policy is currently under review to outline guidelines.

Moe Corriveau, Noëlville, questioned when his email inquiring why the bins were removed was going to be answered; those who submitted a written inquiry or complaint will receive a response within a few days.
-questioned what was being done about the boundary irregularities between West Nipissing and French River; both parties are currently in a preliminary analysis stage to examine the viability of restructuring.
-praised the French River Fire Department on their response time to the tragic fire on Hwy 528 and suggested that the persons who saved the life of the lady should be recognized.

Peter Williams, Alban, requested an update on the LED light installation; the work was 80% complete and should be completed in the coming weeks weather permitting.

11. CLOSED SESSION

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Carried

MAYOR

CLERK