



## Municipality of French River

### MINUTES OF THE COMBINED MEETING OF COUNCIL

held in the Council Chambers  
French River Municipal Complex  
Wednesday, September 14, 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:**

Marc Gagnon, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk  
Tom Ng, Treasurer/Tax Collector  
Denis Séguin, Fire Chief  
Robert Martin, Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager  
Carlie Zwiers, Executive Assistant

#### **Guests:**

17 Members of public  
David Grant, Abundant Solar Energy Inc.  
Vince Roy, Royal Productions

#### **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 Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 298

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be approved as distributed and amended to move Item 6.2.5 at Item 5.2.

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 Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 299

**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 Abundant Solar Energy Inc., 500kW Solar Projects**

David Grant presented the following Solar Projects which they are seeking Municipal Council Support Resolutions:

2503225 Ontario Inc., PIN: 73446-0345

2503225 Ontario Inc., 44 Heritage River Rd

2503225 Ontario Inc., 2685 Hwy 64

2503225 Ontario Inc., 2331 Hwy 64

2467264 Ontario Inc., 393 Hwy 607

The Resolutions to support the projects and adopt the By-laws to enter into Community Vibrancy Fund Agreements are considered under the Consent Agenda.

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##### **5.2 Presentation of Tourism and Business Investment Attraction promotional videos**

Vince Roy of Royal Productions presented the Tourism and Business Investment Attraction promotional videos that were initially produced as part of the Business Development Grant; the videos are available as a promotional tool for the Municipality.

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

##### **6.1 Mayor**

##### **6.1.1 Resolution to approve the attendees at the ROMA Conference January 29-31, 2017 in Toronto**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 300

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the following attendees at the the ROMA Conference in Toronto on January 29-31, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$2,000 each:

Mayor Claude Bouffard  
Councillor Malcolm Lamothe

Carried

**6.1.2 Resolution to approve the attendees at the OGRA Conference  
Feb. 26-Mar. 1, 2017 in Toronto**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Claude Bouffard

Resol. 2016- 301

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the following attendees at the OGRA Conference from February 26 to March 1, 2017 in Toronto at an approximate cost of \$2,000 each:

Councillor Ron Garbutt  
Councillor Malcolm Lamothe

Carried

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**6.2 General Government**

**6.2.1 Clerk's Third Quarter Report**

The Clerk summarized the report.

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**6.2.2 Sudbury East Planning Board Report - Application for Deeming  
By-law**

**6.2.2.1 Resolution to adopt Deeming By-law 2016-52**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 302

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-52, being a by-law to deem part of a registered plan not to be registered (Marcel & Diane Boulais and Timothy & Mary Doherty) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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**6.2.3 Action Report - Petition relating to composition of Council and  
request for referendum**

The Clerk presented the report and answered questions from Council, additional information will be provided and Council discussion will resume at the meeting being held November 9<sup>th</sup>.

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**6.2.4 Resolution to adopt a By-law for the Contribution Agreement  
for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Formula Component**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 303

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-47, being a by-law to authorize a Contribution Agreement with the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Formula Component be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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### **6.3 Finance Department**

#### **6.3.1 Third Quarter Report**

The Treasurer summarized the report.

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### **6.4 Public Works & Environmental Department**

#### **6.4.1 Third Quarter Report**

The Acting Manager of Public Works/Environmental Services summarized the report.

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### **6.5 Parks, Recreation & Facilities Department**

#### **6.5.1 Third Quarter Report**

The Manager of the Parks, Recreation & Facilities Department summarized the report.

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### **6.6 Fire Department**

#### **6.6.1 Third Quarter Report**

The Fire Chief summarized the report.

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

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

Moved by: Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 304

**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 Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 305

**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 Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 306

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Items of the Consent Agenda under Sections 10.1, 10.4, 10.5 and receives the Items under Sections 10.2, 10.3.

Carried

**All items in Sections 10.4 and 10.5 were taken out of the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

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### **10.1 Adoption of Minutes**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 307

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

Regular Council Meeting held September 28, 2015

Carried

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### **10.2 Minutes Received**

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

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**\* All of the Items in Section 10.4 were separated from the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

### **10.4 Award of Tenders, Request for Proposals, Funding Matters and Support by Resolution**

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#### **10.4.1 Municipal Council Support Resolution, 2503225 Ontario Inc., PIN: 73446-0345 solar project**

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2016- 308

**WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 5.0.;

**AND WHEREAS** 2503225 Ontario Inc. (“the applicant”) proposes to construct and operate a Non-Rooftop Solar PV project (the “project”) on PIN: 73446-0345 (the “Lands”) in the Municipality of French River under the Province’s FIT Program;

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant has requested that Council of the Municipality of French River indicate by resolution Council’s support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 5.0., Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of French River supports the construction and operation of the Projects on the Lands.

*Recorded Vote*

Councillor Michel Bigras requested a Recorded Vote.

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

Carried

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**10.4.2 Municipal Council Support Resolution, 2503225 Ontario Inc.,  
44 Heritage River Rd solar project**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 309

**WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 5.0.;

**AND WHEREAS** 2503225 Ontario Inc. (“the applicant”) proposes to construct and operate a Non-Rooftop Solar PV project (the “project”) on 44 Heritage River Rd (the “Lands”) in the Municipality of French River under the Province’s FIT Program;

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant has requested that Council of the Municipality of French River indicate by resolution Council’s support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;

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**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 5.0., Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of French River supports the construction and operation of the Projects on the Lands.

Carried

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**10.4.3 Municipal Council Support Resolution, 2503225 Ontario Inc., 2685 Hwy 64 solar project**

Moved By Denny Sharp and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 310

**WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 5.0.;

**AND WHEREAS** 2503225 Ontario Inc. (“the applicant”) proposes to construct and operate a Non-Rooftop Solar PV project (the “project”) on 2685 Hwy 64 (the “Lands”) in the Municipality of French River under the Province’s FIT Program;

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant has requested that Council of the Municipality of French River indicate by resolution Council’s support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 5.0., Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of French River supports the construction and operation of the Projects on the Lands.

Carried

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**10.4.4 Municipal Council Support Resolution, 2503225 Ontario Inc., 2331 Hwy 64 solar project**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 311

**WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 5.0.;

**AND WHEREAS** 2503225 Ontario Inc. (“the applicant”) proposes to construct and operate a Non-Rooftop Solar PV project (the “project”) on 2331 Hwy 64 (the “Lands”) in the Municipality of French River under the Province’s FIT Program;

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant has requested that Council of the Municipality of French River indicate by resolution Council’s support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 5.0., Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of French River supports the construction and operation of the Projects on the Lands.

Carried

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**10.4.5 Municipal Council Support Resolution, 2467264 Ontario Inc., 393 Hwy 607 solar project**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 312

**WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Rules, Version 5.0.;

**AND WHEREAS** 2467264 Ontario Inc. (“the applicant”) proposes to construct and operate a Non-Rooftop Solar PV project (the “project”) on 393 Hwy 607 (the “Lands”) in the Municipality of French River under the Province’s FIT Program;

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant has requested that Council of the Municipality of French River indicate by resolution Council’s support for the construction and operation of the Project on the Property;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to the FIT Rules, Version 5.0., Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in the Applicant being offered a FIT Contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Municipality of French River supports the construction and operation of the Projects on the Lands.

Carried



**\* All of the Items in Section 10.5 were separated from the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

## **10.5 By-laws**

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### **10.5.1 Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement**

Moved By Denny Sharp and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 313

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-48, being a by-law to enter into Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement (44 Heritage River Rd) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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### **10.5.2 Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2016- 314

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-49, being a by-law to enter into Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement (2685 Hwy 64) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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### **10.5.3 Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2016- 315

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-50, being a by-law to enter into Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement (2331 Hwy 64) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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### **10.5.4 Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement**

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 316

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-51, being a by-law to enter into Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement (393 Hwy 607) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

### **10.5.5 Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2016- 317

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-54, being a by-law to enter into Community Vibrancy Fund Agreement (PIN: 73446-0345) be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

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### **10.5.6 Confirmation By-law**

Moved By Denny Sharp and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2016- 318

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2016-53, 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 October 12, 2016 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

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**

The annual toy drive will be held November 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Holiday Train will be held Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

The Volunteer Appreciation Night will be held December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Frank Mueck, resident of Noëlville, commented that Council should invest in a better sound system for the Council Chambers and requested copies of employee job descriptions to see which staff should be going to roads conference. The CAO informed that the job descriptions do not outline such items, conference attendance depends on budget allowances, staff resources and schedules.

Ron Robert, resident of Alban, commented that the report relation to petition was good but encouraged Council to do their due diligence, use available resources (such as university political science students) before making a decision and that the public needs to understand the pros of cons of the current system and any proposed system before a decision is considered.

**14. CLOSED SESSION**

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**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2016- 319

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Carried

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**