



Municipality of French River

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL held in the Council Chambers Wednesday, January 18, 2017 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

Guests:

Hector D. Lavigne, CAIB, Municipal Account Executive, Rivet Insurance
6 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 Denny Sharp

Resol. 2017- 3

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved as distributed.

Carried

2. Moment of reflection

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

4. Delegations

4.1 Rivet Insurance, 2017 Municipal Insurance Renewal

Hector Lavigne of Rivet Insurance presented the renewal terms, policies and coverage.

4.1.1 Resolution to renew the Municipal Insurance Program

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2017- 4

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Municipal Insurance Program Renewal with Rivet Insurance for a period of one year (January 15th, 2017 to January 15th, 2018) in the amount of one hundred and one thousand, eight hundred and eighty four (\$101,884) plus PST.

Carried

5. Management, Committee and Board Reports

5.1 General Government

The CAO announced that the request for delegation was approved to meet the Minister of Transportation at the ROMA Conference relating to paved highway shoulders for bicycle routes and dividing line rumble. To request a delegation at the OGRA Conference forms need to be submitted by Friday, January 27th; Council can advise if there are items that they wish to bring forward.

The first budget deliberation was held Saturday, January 14th, and the next special meeting will be held Wednesday, January 25th at 6pm.

5.1.1 Sudbury East Connectivity Agreement to apply for funding under the Connect to Innovate Program (Fibre Optic)

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2017- 5

WHEREAS the Municipality of French River has been working with the Municipality of St.- Charles, the Municipality of Markstay-Warren, the Dokis First Nation and Agilis Networks to establish a broad band network; and

WHEREAS the establishment of a broad band network will provide and/or greatly improve internet connectivity to all of these communities; and

WHEREAS establishment of a high speed broad band network will allow local businesses, community organizations, learning institutions, health providers and the public to provide and receive better services; retain and expand business opportunities and attract new development;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the Sudbury East Connectivity application to the Government of Canada, Connect to Innovate Program for the installation and construction of a broadband network to service the participating communities, and respectfully requests that funding be provided for this important service.

Carried

5.1.2 2017 Volunteer Night

Moved By Michel Bigras and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2017- 6

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to set the date for the 2017 Volunteer Night to be held December 13, 2017.

Carried

It was suggested that the event be held in a larger venue such as the Alban Community Centre.

5.1.3 FONOM/MMA Conference

Moved By Denny Sharp and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2017- 7

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the following attendees at the FONOM/MMA Conference in North Bay on May 10-12, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$1,300 each:

Michel Bigras
Claude Bouffard
Denny Sharp

Carried

5.1.4 AMO Conference

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2017- 8

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the following attendees at the AMO Conference in Ottawa on August 13-16, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$2,200 each:

Gisèle Pageau
Michel Bigras
Claude Bouffard

Carried

5.1.5 Amendments to the Employee Policy Manual By-law

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2017- 9

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-03, being a by-law to amend By-law 2016-19, a By-law to adopt the Employee Policy Manual be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

5.1.6 Procedure By-law 2017-02 (1st & 2nd Reading)

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2017- 10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-02, being a by-law to govern the calling, place and proceedings of meetings for the Municipality of French River (Procedure By-law) be read a first and second time.

Carried

5.1.7 Discussion - Sudbury East Planning Board Report relating to Travel Trailers

The agenda package included the report presented by the Director of Planning to the Sudbury East Planning Board at their meeting held January 12, 2017. A report was also presented at a meeting held December 8, 2016.

The reports were prepared as requested by the Board to review, compare and provide options and solutions relating to enforcement standards that are regulated in other municipalities that face similar challenges with travel trailers.

The current Sudbury East Comprehensive Zoning By-law was enacted in 2014 and regulates travel trailers in our area.

Considering these reports, Council may submit suggestions/ideas/feedback to the Clerk for discussion at the Council meeting to be held February 1st. Council may make recommendations to the Planning Board for their consideration at their next meeting being held on February 9th, 2017.

5.2 Finance Department

The total disbursements reported for the months of October 2016 were in the amount of \$538,279.93.

5.3 Parks, Recreation & Facilities Department

5.3.1 Fourth Quarter Report

The report was included in the agenda package.

5.3.2 Grants and Subsidy Application

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2017- 11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Grants and Subsidy Application for a rebate of \$200 from the hall rental fee at the Alban Community Centre received from the Alban Knights of Columbus #10585 for a hall rental fee rebate for their 18th Annual Ice Fishing Derby on March 4, 2017.

Carried

Break at 7:10 to 7:20pm

5.4 Public Works & Environmental Department

5.4.1 Fourth Quarter Report

The report was included in the agenda package.

5.5 Fire Department

5.5.1 Fourth Quarter Report

The report was included in the agenda package.

5.6 French River Public Library Board

5.6.1 Library Board Report by Member

There was no report as a meeting was not held.

5.6.2 Appointment of a Board Member

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2017- 12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoints the following member of the public to the French River Public Library Board:

Rose-Marie Heddle

Carried

5.7 Ontario Provincial Police / Community Policing Advisory Committee

5.7.1 Monthly Municipal Policing Report

The report was included in the agenda package.

5.8 Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board

5.8.1 Board Report by Member

There was no report as a meeting was not held.

6. Consent Agenda

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

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2017- 13

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 Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2017- 14

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

Special Council Meeting held December 14, 2016

Regular Council Meeting held December 14, 2016

Carried

6.2 Minutes Received by Resolution

6.3 Award of Tenders, Request for Proposals, Funding Matters and Support by Resolution

6.4 Correspondence for Council's Information Received by Resolution

6.5 Adoption of By-laws by Resolution

6.5.1 Borrowing By-law

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2017- 15

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-01, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

6.5.2 Interim Tax Levy By-law

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2017- 16

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-04, being a by-law to provide for an Interim Tax Levy be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

6.5.3 Confirmation By-law

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Michel Bigras

Resol. 2017- 17

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2017-05, 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 January 18, 2017 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration

8. Addendums

9. Notices of Motion

10. Announcement and Inquiries

Council discussed the importance of developing a community protocol to assist families that are victims of fires.

11. Closed Session

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2017- 18

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be closed as authorized in Section 239 of the *Municipal Act*, to discuss the following:

(d) labour relations or employee negotiations, with respect to a performance evaluation of an employee

Carried

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2017- 19

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the open session reconvenes at 8:07 p.m.

Carried

12. Adjournment

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2017- 20

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Carried

MAYOR

CLERK