#### **TOWN OF PETAWAWA**

# **COUNCIL-IN-COMMITTEE**

**Present:** 

**Mayor Bob Sweet** 

**Deputy Mayor Tom Mohns** 

Councillor James Carmody

Councillor Treena Lemay Councillor Gary Serviss

Councillor Murray Rutz

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Regrets: Councillor Theresa Sabourin

Also Present:

Daniel Scissons
Steve Knott

David Unrau
Jeff DeJong

Jack Rosien Ken Laird

Gerri Brunette Karen Third Terry Dawe Tim Pearson

Shirley Bruce Stan MacDonald Kim Feltham

Wayne Pitzner Susan Taylor Steven Silke

Rick Malone

Randy MacFarlane Sean Chase

Patricia Leboeuf

Dawn Recoskie

Annette Mantifel Kelly Williams

Wayne Bando Joe McDonald Lisa Laird

Ashley Third Jackie Royal Jeanine Pearson

James Bruce
Judy Goetz
Karla Dallow
Eva Phanenhour
Gary Taylor

Joan Behnke Richelle Sanderson

Colleen MacFarlane

Jim Romain Mike Giardini

The Council-in-Committee meeting was opened by the Mayor at 6:30 p.m.

#### DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

# 1. <u>Delegation – Jeff DeJong – Frozen Water Services/Homeowner Compensation</u>

Mayor Bob Sweet advised Mr. DeJong and those present in the audience that the Town of Petawawa received communication from its solicitor. Mayor Sweet reported the Town is currently in litigation with respect to the frozen water line matter, and as such the Town's solicitor has strongly recommended that Council and staff not respond to questions or make any further comments regarding this issue so long as the Town is involved in litigation. Following Mr. DeJong's presentation

Council and staff will not be able to respond to questions. Council will take Mr. DeJong's comments under advisement.

Mr. Jeff DeJong advised those present in the audience that he was notified by Mayor Sweet this afternoon regarding the litigation matter and that Council would not be able to respond to the questions posed in his presentation. Mr. DeJong advised Council that he was representing approximately 25 people. Mr. DeJong provided an overview of his presentation and spoke with regard to By-law 717/11; what other municipalities do in the case of frozen pipes; and posed the following questions: 1. Why does the Town feel they are not responsible for the Water Works System up to and including the curb-stop? 2. Who made the decision to not provide help to the residents in this time of need? Was it Council's decision? 3. With a decision of this magnitude, did Council consult with any independent industry experts? If so, who? 4. Did Council reach out to any other municipalities to find out how they deal with such circumstances? 5. What is the Town going to do about customers who had to pay to fix lines on municipal property? What about residents that went without water for over 2 months? Businesses that lost revenue? 6. Going forward, does the Town have any plans to implement a better strategy to deal with frozen water pipes? If so, what are they?

Mayor Sweet thanked Mr. DeJong for his presentation and noted Council will take his comments under advisement.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

# 1. PW-09-2015 - Tender PW-01-2015, Water Treatment Plant Backwash Upgrades

David Unrau, Director of Public Works, provided an overview of the report.

MOVED BY: Tom Mohns SECONDED BY: James Carmody

That Council approves the award of PW-01-2015, Water Treatment Plant Backwash Upgrades, to Harrington Mechanical in the amount of \$564,400.00 + HST.

**CARRIED** 

## 2. PW-10-2015 – Street Lighting Proposal

David Unrau provided an overview of the report.

MOVED BY: Tom Mohns SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That Council approves the Investment Grade Audit and proceeds with signing a contract with RealTerm Energy for the design and upgrade of LED streetlight under a DUT (Design, Upgrade, Transfer Agreement) model, option #3 to be financed internally.

**CARRIED** 

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## 1. Activity Report – April 2015

Chief Steve Knott provided an overview of the monthly report. Chief Knott reported that there were two brush fires at the Civic Centre property; the Fire Department is working with the OPP on cost recovery for one of the fires as the persons have been identified who caused the fire. 12 recreation fire pit inspections were conducted for the month and the new rescue pumper fire truck has been received.

MOVED BY: Gary Serviss SECONDED BY: Treena Lemay

That the Fire Department monthly report for April be accepted as information.

**CARRIED** 

## 2. Fire Prevention Report – April 2015

Chief Knott presented the report.

MOVED BY: Gary Serviss SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That the Fire Prevention report for April be accepted as information.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. FD-03-15 – Resignation of Probationary Firefighter Scott Zimmerman

Chief Knott presented the report.

MOVED BY: James Carmody SECONDED BY: Gary Serviss

That Council accepts the resignation of Probationary Firefighter Scott Zimmerman with regret.

**CARRIED** 

#### PARKS & RECREATION

#### 1. Activity Report – April 2015

Kelly Williams, Manager of Parks & Recreation, provided an overview of the monthly report. Mr. Williams reported on the status of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. Mr. Williams thanked the Petawawa Civic Centre Fundraising

Committee for their donations towards the purchase of the portable stage, the hall renovations, the bar renovations, and the ceiling tile upgrades with LED lighting; the donations amount to approximately \$170,000.

MOVED BY: James Carmody SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That the Parks & Recreation monthly report for April be accepted as information.

**CARRIED** 

Mr. Williams then reviewed the 2015 Cabin Fever information report. The report was received for information.

## ANIMAL CONTROL/BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

1. Activity Report – April 2015

Dawn Recoskie, Deputy Clerk, presented the monthly report.

MOVED BY: Tom Mohns SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That the Animal Control/By-law Enforcement monthly report for April be accepted as information.

**CARRIED** 

2. MLEO-04-15 – Taxi Licences-Applications 2015

Dawn Recoskie presented the report.

MOVED BY: Gary Serviss SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That Council approves the taxi licence applications in accordance with the current taxi by-law.

**CARRIED** 

#### FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. <u>ADMIN-06-2015 – Request for Noise By-law Exemption – Royal Canadian Legion</u>
<u>Branch 517</u>

Dawn Recoskie, Deputy Clerk, provided an overview of the report.

MOVED BY: Treena Lemay SECONDED BY: James Carmody

That Council approves the request from the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 517 to allow for the playing of amplified music in the parking lot at the Legion, 3583 Petawawa Boulevard, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 15, 2015 for a "parking lot fundraising dance".

**CARRIED** 

# 2. Accounts Payable – April 2015

Annette Mantifel, Treasurer, presented the report.

MOVED BY: Treena Lemay SECONDED BY: James Carmody

That the general cheque #'s 19906 to 20061 in the amount of \$1,708,304.33 be passed by Council and paid by the Treasurer.

**CARRIED** 

## **CLOSED MEETING**

There was no closed meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY: Treena Lemay SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

That the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Clerk