TOWN OF PETAWAWA

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Present:

Mayor Bob Sweet

Councillor James Carmody Councillor Theresa Sabourin Deputy Mayor Tom Mohns Councillor Murray Rutz Councillor Gary Serviss

Regrets:

Councillor Treena Lemay

Also Present:

Dawn Recoskie

Sean Chase

YourTV Ottawa Valley

Rebecca Bartlett Patricia Leboeuf

CALL TO ORDER (Moment of Silent Reflection)

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

Murray Rutz James Carmody

(1) That the agenda for the January 15, 2018 meeting of Council be adopted.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. <u>Council Meeting (January 2, 2018)</u>

MOVED BY:

Theresa Sabourin

SECONDED BY: Tom Mohns

(2) That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held January 2, 2018 be approved as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

BY-LAWS

There were no by-laws.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence.

MINUTES

1. Council-in-Committee Meeting (January 8, 2018)

MOVED BY: Gary Serviss SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

(3) That the minutes of the Council-in-Committee meeting held January 8, 2018 be accepted by Council and that resolutions from that Committee become resolutions of Council.

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

There were no staff reports.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

1. Mayor Bob Sweet – 2017 Year End Address

2017 began with a bang, quite literally, as the community funded fireworks display capped the annual First Night activities and was one of the many highlights in the Rogers Hometown Hockey roadshow that came to Town. Mayor Sweet spoke of the many initiatives that came out of the Canada 150th celebrations, including accessible upgrades to the Civic Centre elevators, a unisex accessible bathroom remodel for Centennial Park, a tree planting collaboration with Trees Canada and an enhanced Canada Day celebration. The David Thompson Voyageur Brigade travelled the Ottawa River and stopped by the Petawawa Heritage Village and the Ottawa River Heritage Designation was memorialized with a plaque unveiling ceremony. Residents also had the opportunity to wrap up their summer with the free ONTour 150 musical concert series which ended in Centennial Park. Jim Cuddy provided a stellar performance. Thanks to efforts by Rick Schroeder and Gary Serviss the 2017 OFSAA Cross Country championships were held at the Petawawa golf course and what a resounding success this event was.

The Town completed just under \$4 million worth of infrastructure projects, including roads, sidewalks, sewer and water services. Residential and commercial growth saw building permits exceed \$42 million in value and generate \$140,000 in permit fees.

Funds received through an Ontario grant will create an economic development strategy which will align with our core values and ensure continued residential and commercial growth. A number of new businesses opened in 2017; the Mitsubishi car dealership, Harvey's/Swiss Chalet, Dollarama, Spaws for Paws and Starbucks. The Town entered into an 80 room development agreement with Marriott TownePlace Hotel & Suites and a development agreement with Parkwood Place (Highland Park Drive) for a 39 unit residential apartment complex. 2017 marked the official opening of the Petawawa Pantry Food Bank and a return of the Christmas Angels initiative. Sections of the Algonquin Trail were opened after being brushed and stone dusted. More work on the Algonquin Trail is anticipated into the coming year.

Petawawa continues to enjoy cooperation through liaison committees with the Garrison and participated in the recognition ceremonies honouring the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge, the Battle of Passchendaele and of course, Canada's 150th birthday celebrations. In other collaborative efforts, Mayor Sweet worked with the County of Renfrew as part of a local delegation who lobbied 11 provincial and federal ministries for the expansion of Petawawa Boulevard (County Road 51) to ease the traffic congestion onto the Garrison. A quality of life issue affecting the more than 6,000 personnel who work at Canada's largest military base.

Mayor Sweet thanked staff and Council for their support and guidance throughout the year as well as to the countless volunteers who so generously commit their time in service to and for their community.

On behalf of Council, Mayor Sweet wished residents a happy and prosperous New Year.

Deputy Mayor Tom Mohns reported that he participated in the Town's 2018 Budget deliberations on January 11, 2018.

Councillor Theresa Sabourin reported that she attended the First Night New Year's Eve celebration at the Petawawa Civic Centre. Councillor Sabourin recognized Gloria Deane-Freeman and Kim Clouthier for their efforts in organizing the Christmas Angels community dinner. Councillor Sabourin reported that she also attended the Town's 2018 Budget deliberations and wished residents a safe, happy and healthy 2018.

Councillor James Carmody reported that he attended the First Night New Year's Eve celebration at the Petawawa Civic Centre and the Town's 2018 Budget deliberations.

Councillor Murray Rutz reported that he also attended the First Night New Year's Eve celebration at the Petawawa Civic Centre, the Town's 2018 Budget deliberations on January 11, 2018, and MP Cheryl Gallant's meet and greet event on January 14, 2018. Councillor Rutz thanked Christine Mitchell, Executive Assistant, for her assistance in compiling the Town Times for insertion in the Town's Community Guide. Councillor Rutz also noted that Festival Hall will be introducing new programming including a concert by Brett Kissel. Councillor Rutz wished residents a happy New Year.

Councillor Gary Serviss reported the Selection Committee for the Petawawa Sports and Entertainment Hall of Fame has approved the first six inductees, but the names won't be announced until the Hall of Fame cabinet is completed, which will be located in the Petawawa Civic Centre between the Parks and Recreation office and the Petawawa Public Library. Councillor Serviss noted the first induction ceremony will be held in conjunction with Civic Centre Days on June 22, 2018.

Mayor Bob Sweet reported that he attended the First Night New Year's Eve celebration at the Petawawa Civic Centre, the Pembroke Legion's New Year's Levee as well as the Petawawa Legion's New Year's Levee, a Development and Property Committee meeting, and an Algonquin Trail meeting. Mayor Sweet attended a Deep River and District Hospital Community Partners Group meeting on January 10, 2018 and the Town's 2018 Budget deliberations on January 11, 2018. Mayor Sweet noted it is Council's intention to adopt the 2018 Budget at the first meeting in February. Mayor Sweet also recognized the retirement of Wendy Biesenthal, Administrative Assistant for the Garrison Commander.

CLOSED MEETING

There was no closed meeting.

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

MOVED BY: Theresa Sabourin SECONDED BY: James Carmody

(4) That By-law 1178/18 be read a first, second and third time and passed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: James Carmody SECONDED BY: Theresa Sabourin

(5) That the meeting adjourn to the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Mayor -

Deputy Clerk