

6:30 p.m.

February 1, 2016

TOWN OF PETAWAWA

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Present: Mayor Bob Sweet Deputy Mayor Tom Mohns
Councillor James Carmody Councillor Treena Lemay
Councillor Murray Rutz Councillor Theresa Sabourin
Councillor Gary Serviss

Also Present: Daniel Scissons Christine Mitchell
Wayne Bando Amy Giberson
Rich Brazeau Shawn Behnke
Chéla Brekon Mike Giardini
Patricia Leboeuf Sean Chase
TVCogeco Pembroke

CALL TO ORDER (Moment of Silent Reflection)

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY: Gary Serviss
SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

- (1) That the agenda for the February 1, 2016 meeting of Council be adopted.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Council Meeting (January 18, 2016)

MOVED BY: Theresa Sabourin
SECONDED BY: James Carmody

- (2) That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held January 18, 2016 be approved as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS LANDS

Daniel Scissons, CAO/Clerk reported that notice, pursuant to By-law 238/03, being a by-law to establish procedure for the sale of real property owned by the Town of Petawawa had occurred. Mr. Scissons reported having received no public comment.

MOVED BY: Murray Rutz
SECONDED BY: Tom Mohns

- (3) That Part of Lots 22 and 23, Concession 5 with an area of approximately 3.77 acres be declared surplus to be sold to PJI Holdings Inc. at a price of \$10,000 per acre as determined by survey.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

1. AMCTO Successful Completion of the Municipal Administration Program – Amy Giberson, Administrative Support/Receptionist

Mayor Sweet presented Amy Giberson with her certificate of completion of the Municipal Administration Program. Mayor Sweet noted the importance of supporting staff initiative to obtain or complete municipal training programs and cited the presentation given by Mr. Jim Pine, CAO/Clerk of Hastings County, who reported that within the next five years more than 51% of municipal staff will be eligible to retire.

2. Highway 17 Petition and Social Media Campaign – Shawn Behnke, Project Coordinator

In collaboration with the Town of Petawawa and the Petawawa Police Services Board, “Safe on 17”, is a social media campaign that will diffuse information relating to the Trans-Canada Highway, and allow for public comment. The Facebook page, www.facebook.com/petawawapsb, has a link to a 13 question survey that will capture information, comments and concerns from residents, travellers and any interested parties. Councillor Lemay reported that the intent of the campaign, and online resolution, is to lobby the Provincial Government to consider a reasonable schedule to four-lane Highway 17, through Renfrew County. The key safety issues cited are travel time, road closures, access to serviced areas, reducing congestion and separating traffic flows. Shawn Behnke, Project Coordinator, will assume management of the site, post relative information and keep the discussion on topic. Mr. Behnke will also reach out to the transportation companies and drivers who travel this section of road to participate and share their travelling experiences.

3. Local Immigration Partnership, The Worth of Our Welcome – Chéla Brekon, Project Manager

Mayor Sweet welcomed Chéla Brekon who provided Council with a presentation highlighting the importance of creating welcoming communities and strengthening opportunities to attract skilled labour. Ms. Brekon outlined the many partners, programs and projects undertaken by the Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) which support initiatives to attract and retain newcomers. Ms. Brekon cited labour market data showing the growing deficit in skilled labour force. Further research was presented that revealed newcomers are often educated and willing to retrain, have an entrepreneurial spirit and even offer a marketable competitive advantage. Ms. Brekon requested the opportunity to establish a relationship with a member of Council. Mayor Sweet suggested that the Petawawa Inclusion Project (PIP) was a good established venue to integrate some of the resources and continue the dialogue with LIP.

BY-LAWS

There were no by-laws.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Salvation Army Certificate of Thanks for Participation in the 2015 Christmas Kettle Campaign

The item of correspondence was received for information.

2. Renfrew County Senior Games Letter

The item of correspondence was received for information and referred to staff.

MINUTES

1. Council-in-Committee Meeting (January 25, 2016)

MOVED BY: Murray Rutz
SECONDED BY: James Carmody

- (4) That the minutes of the Council-in-Committee meeting held January 25, 2016 be accepted by Council and that resolutions from that Committee become resolutions of Council.

CARRIED

2. Police Services Board (November 19, 2015)

Councillor Treena Lemay provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Police Services Board. Councillor Lemay highlighted the many

Community Mobilization efforts conducted by the OPP in an effort to reduce the cost and frequency of calls for service (CFS). Councillor Lemay affirmed that any programs or intervention initiated by the OPP are not billable to the Town. A new quarterly report will be provided which will highlight all billable CFS.

Councillor Lemay also reported a new distracted driver campaign would begin in the spring supported with signage and an educational component.

MOVED BY: Treena Lemay

SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

- (5) That the minutes of the Petawawa Police Services Board meeting held November 19, 2015 be adopted as information.

CARRIED

3. Police Services Board (December 3, 2015)

Councillor Treena Lemay provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Police Services Board.

MOVED BY: Treena Lemay

SECONDED BY: Murray Rutz

- (6) That the minutes of the Petawawa Police Services Board meeting held December 3, 2015 be adopted as information.

CARRIED

4. Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee (November 26, 2015)

Councillor Theresa Sabourin provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee. Councillor Sabourin reported that PAAC provided comment on the site plan review for the LDS Church expansion, completed their Accessibility for Ontarians with Disability Act self-certified report, and continued work on the barrier free report which they anticipate presenting at Council in the near future.

MOVED BY: Theresa Sabourin

SECONDED BY: Tom Mohns

- (7) That the minutes of the Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held November 26, 2015 be adopted as information.

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

There were no staff reports.

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Tom Mohns reported that he attended the January 27th meeting of the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board. Deputy Mayor Mohns reported that Laurentian Valley Mayor Steve Bennett was re-elected Chair and he was re-elected as Vice Chair. Deputy Mayor Mohns indicated that a draft 2016 budget was presented that required no contribution from the partner municipalities and that a draft closing balance for 2015 showed a surplus which would be transferred into reserves.

Councillor Theresa Sabourin reported that she attended the Age Friendly Community Implementation workshop on January 28th which was the last public consultation process prior to completing and presenting a final report for Council. Councillor Sabourin also reported that she participated in the Cabin Fever trivia night and attended the 12th annual Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Awards.

Councillor James Carmody reported that he attended an Airport meeting on January 21st as well as two Library Board meetings. Mayor Sweet reported that he and CAO/Clerk Daniel Scissons had also attended the meeting at the Airport.

Councillor Treena Lemay reported that she also attend the Age Friendly Community Implementation workshop and thanked Councillor Sabourin for her contributions and participation in the process. Councillor Lemay also expressed thanks to staff for providing support to this initiative. Councillor Lemay discussed the Petawawa Inclusion Project (PIP) including pink shirt day on February 24th and the new logo and motto to be adopted.

Councillor Murray Rutz reported that he attended the Petawawa Community Policing meeting to discuss the annual Bike Rodeo which will take place on Saturday, May 7, 2016. Councillor Rutz reported that he attended several Cabin Fever events and thanked the many community sponsors and volunteers for their efforts.

Councillor Gary Serviss reported that he attended several Cabin Fever events and congratulated the community partners and staff for facilitating such well organized activities.

Mayor Bob Sweet reported that he attended three Eastern Ontario Regional Network meetings, topics of discussion included Cell Gap Analysis, Magnet Initiatives and closing the gaps in the Broadband Project. Mayor Sweet attended the Petawawa Inclusion Project Executive Committee meeting on January 19th and a meeting on January 22nd with MP Cheryl Gallant. Mayor Sweet attended the Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce Awards Gala on January 30th and presented the award for Large Business to Garrison Petawawa.

CLOSED MEETING

There was no closed session.

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

MOVED BY: Gary Serviss
SECONDED BY: Treena Lemay

- (8) That By-law 1034/16 be read a first, second and third time and passed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: Murray Rutz
SECONDED BY: Gary Serviss

- (9) That the meeting adjourn to the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Mayor



Clerk