

Meeting No. 7**Of The****Council****Of The****Town Of Marathon**

Held in the Council Chambers, Administration Building on Tuesday, April 26, 2011.

Present: R. Dumas - Mayor
 T. Fox - Councillor
 R. Souckey - Councillor
 K. Tsubouchi - Councillor
 B. Tocheri - CAO/Clerk

Also

Present: B. Hyshka - Works & Operations Manager
 L. Lees - Deputy Clerk
 M. McCuaig - Administrative Assistant/HR Specialist
 C. Verbo - Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer

Absent: R. Lake - Councillor
 R. Kerster - CBO/Emergency Services Manager
 D. Skworchinski - Community Services & EDO Manager

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Additions Or Deletions To The Agenda:**

Mayor Dumas asked members for any additions or deletions to the Agenda and hearing none, proceeded with the meeting.

MOTION #078/11: Moved by: T. Fox
 Seconded by: R. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the Agenda for the
 Tuesday, April 26, 2011, Regular Meeting of Council, as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Mayor Dumas asked members for any disclosure of interest and hearing none, proceeded with the meeting.

4. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 11, 2011, and the Closed Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 11, 2011, was presented.

MOTION #079/11: Moved by: R. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby adopts the minutes of the
 Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 11, 2011, and the
 Closed Meeting held on Monday, April 11, 2011, as circulated.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATION:**

a) No items were received.

6. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- a) No items were received.

7. **C.A.O. REPORTS:**

- a) Report on CEAA Draft Agreement to Establish Joint Panel Review re: Marathon PGM Project.

Brian Tocheri, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Tocheri recommended that Council endorse the CEAA draft Joint Panel Review Harmonization Agreement for the Marathon PGM project.

MOTION #080/11: Moved by: R. Souckey
 Seconded by: K. Tsubouchi
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on CEAA Draft Agreement to Establish Joint Panel Review re: Marathon PGM Project;

AND FURTHER THAT Council endorses the CEAA draft Joint Panel Review Harmonization Agreement for the Marathon PGM project.

CARRIED

- b) Report on Flag Use Policy (AD0017) and User Group Liability Insurance (FA0001).

Brian Tocheri, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Tocheri recommended that the policies be adopted as presented.

MOTION #081/11: Moved by: R. Souckey
 Seconded by: K. Tsubouchi
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on Flag Use Policy (AD0017) and User Group Liability Insurance (FA0001);

AND THAT the said policies be approved as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT they be placed in the Town's Policy/Guideline Manual.

CARRIED

- c) Report on Declaration of Surplus Assets.

Brian Tocheri, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Tocheri recommended that the items as outlined in the report be declared surplus to the needs of the municipality.

MOTION #082/11: Moved by: K. Tsubouchi
 Seconded by: R. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on Declaration of Surplus Assets;

AND FURTHER THAT the items be declared surplus to the municipality's needs and that Administration be authorized to dispose of the items as indicated.

CARRIED

8. **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:**

a) **Report on 2011 Operating and Capital Budget.**

Chuck Verbo, Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that Council adopt the 2011 estimates as presented. Administration was thanked for a job well done and questions were posed regarding the budget and the financial implications.

MOTION #083/11: Moved by: T. Fox
 Seconded by: K. Tsubouchi
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on 2011 Operating and Capital Budget;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting approving the estimates for 2011.

CARRIED

b) **Report on 2010 Tax Adjustments.**

Chuck Verbo, Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that Administration write-off the amount detailed in the report. Discussion took place regarding the importance of education and timeframes for registering delinquent properties.

MOTION #084/11: Moved by: R. Souckey
 Seconded by: K. Tsubouchi
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on 2010 Tax Adjustments;

AND FURTHER THAT Administration be authorized to write-off the amount of \$100,735.92 as detailed in the report.

CARRIED

c) **Report on Water Account Adjustments for 2010.**

Chuck Verbo, Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that Administration write-off the amount detailed in the report.

MOTION #085/11: Moved by: R. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on Water Account Adjustments for 2010;

AND FURTHER THAT Administration be authorized to write-off the amount of \$5,393.79 as detailed in the report.

CARRIED

d) **Report on Unsuccessful Tax Sale - 80 Yawkey Avenue.**

Chuck Verbo, Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that the property be vested with the Town of Marathon and any outstanding taxes be written off. Discussion ensued regarding vesting options, financial implications, future steps and the history of the property.

MOTION #086/11: Moved by: T. Fox
 Seconded by: R. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accept the attached report and recommendation on Unsuccessful Tax Sale - 80 Yawkey Avenue;

AND FURTHER THAT Administration be authorized to vest the property with the Town of Marathon and the outstanding taxes be written off.

CARRIED

e) Report on 2011 Municipal Bear Wise Agreement.

Brian Tocheri, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety on behalf of Rick Kerster, CBO/Emergency Services Manager. Mr. Tocheri noted that the report was being presented for members' information only. Mr. Tocheri reviewed the additional funding formula and members again reminded citizens to be vigilant and use the bearwise contact number to report bear issues.

9. **CHEQUE RUN:**

A motion to approve the cheque runs was presented:

MOTION #087/11: Moved by: K. Tsubouchi
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT the following cheque runs be approved for payment:

April 6 – 19, 2011	Accounts Payable/Payroll	\$352,805.23
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CARRIED

10. **REPORT OF APPOINTED MEMBERS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:**

a) Councillor Tsubouchi provided members with a verbal update regarding the Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB). Councillor Tsubouchi reviewed the board structure, the services the board offers and his role on the board.

11. **BY-LAWS:**

a) By-Law No. 1728, being a by-law to adopt the Estimates of all Sums required during the year 2011, was presented.

MOTION #088/11: Moved by: R. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 1728, being a by-law to adopt the Estimates of all Sums required during the year 2011, be read a first and second time this 26th day of April, 2011.

CARRIED

MOTION #089/11: Moved by: K. Tsubouchi
 Seconded by: R. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 1728, be read a third time and finally passed this 26th day of April, 2011.

CARRIED

12. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) No items were received.

13. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Discussion took place regarding information received from Lakehead University pertaining to Economic Development in Northwestern Ontario.

MOTION #090/11: Moved by: T. Fox
Seconded by: K. Tsubouchi
Resolved: THAT the following individual(s) be authorized to attend the roundtable discussions from Lakehead University pertaining to Economic Development in Northwestern Ontario:

Rick Dumas Roger Souckey

AND FURTHER THAT expenses be paid according to policy.

CARRIED

- b) A request was received from the Town of Ingersoll seeking support of their resolution regarding the dedication of the HST gas tax revenue to transportation infrastructure and maintenance.

MOTION #091/11: Moved by: K. Tsubouchi
Seconded by: R. Souckey
Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from the Town of Ingersoll regarding the dedication of the HST gas tax revenue to transportation infrastructure and maintenance;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to the individuals listed on the originating resolution.

CARRIED

- c) A request was received from the Municipality of Sioux Lookout seeking support of their resolution regarding wood supply outcomes and their effect on the regional economy. After a brief discussion, members agreed to defer this item until additional information can be obtained from NOMA.

14. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Dumas announced that members would be going into a closed session immediately following adjournment of the Regular Meeting to discuss labour relations.

15. **ADJOURN:**

MOTION #092/11: Moved by: T. Fox
Seconded by: K. Tsubouchi
Resolved: THAT we do now adjourn at the hour of 7:35 p.m.

CARRIED

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Mayor

(SEAL)

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Clerk