

MEETING NO. 9
OF THE
COUNCIL
OF THE
TOWN OF MARATHON

Held in the Council Chambers, Administration Building on Monday, June 12, 2017.

Present: R. Dumas - Mayor
T. Fox - Councillor
C. Gingras - Councillor
R. Lake - Councillor
D. Skworchinski - CAO/Clerk

Also

Present: R. Kerster - CBO/Emergency Services Manager
S. Morin - Parks and Recreation Coordinator
C. Verbo - Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer

Absent: K. Tsubouchi - Councillor
B. Hyshka - Works & Operations Manager
L. Lees - Deputy Clerk
L. Ritchie - Organizational Resources Officer

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

Municipal Safety Share: Councillor Lake provided the meetings safety share regarding Tick Tips.

2. **ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Mayor Dumas asked members for any additions or deletions to the Agenda and the following items were noted:

Defer to June 26th Meeting:

Administration Reports: 8 d) Report on Industrial Park Land Disposition

Addition:

Report of Appointed Members to Boards and Committees: 11 a) Mayor Dumas to provide a verbal update on a recently attended Thunder Bay District Municipal League meeting.

By-Laws: 12 c) By-Law No. 1907

New Business: 14 f) Audited Financial Statements

MOTION #092/17: Moved by: C. Gingras
Seconded by: T. Fox
Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the Agenda for the Monday, June 12, 2017, Regular Meeting of Council as amended.

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 Tuesday, May 23, 2017 and the Closed Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 23, 2017, were presented.

MOTION #093/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: C. Gingras
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 and the Closed Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 23, 2017, as circulated.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATION:**

- a) No items were received.

6. **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

- a) Report on Appointment to Committee (MEDC Appointment).

Mayor Dumas reviewed the report in its entirety and recommended that the appointment be approved as presented.

MOTION #094/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Appointment to Committee – MEDC;

AND FURTHER THAT the appointment be approved as presented with an expiry date three years from appointment.

CARRIED

7. **STUDENT COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

- a) No items were received.

8. **C.A.O. REPORTS:**

- a) Report on 2016 – 2018 Corporate Strategic Plan Progress Report.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Skworchinski noted that the report was being presented for information only.

- b) Report on Clean Water and Wastewater Funding Contribution Agreement.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Skworchinski recommended that the town enter into contribution agreements with the Province of Ontario for the approved water projects.

MOTION #095/17: Moved by: T. Fox
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Clean Water and Wastewater Funding Contribution Agreement;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted entering into an agreement with the Province of Ontario for the approved water projects.

CARRIED

c) Report on Summer Schedule for Council Meetings.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Skworchinski recommended that the summer schedule for Council meetings be approved as presented.

MOTION #096/17: Moved by: C. Gingras
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Summer Schedule for Council Meetings;

AND FURTHER THAT the summer meeting dates be held on July 24 and August 21 with the public being provided appropriate notice.

CARRIED

9. **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:**

a) Report on Commemorative Tree Planting Request at Peninsula Golf Course.

Sue Morin, Parks and Recreation Coordinator, reviewed the report in its entirety.

MOTION #097/17: Moved by: T. Fox
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Commemorative Tree Planting Request at Peninsula Golf Course;

AND FURTHER THAT Administration be directed to work with family and Golf Course Staff to plant a Commemorative Tree

CARRIED

b) Report on Vacant/Excess Land Sub-Classes.

Chuck Verbo, Finance & Administration Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that the property tax discount for vacant and excess land in the commercial and industrial classes remain the same.

MOTION #098/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: C. Gingras
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Vacant/Excess Land Sub-Classes;

AND FURTHER THAT Council accepts Administrations recommendations that the property tax discount for vacant and excess land in the commercial and industrial classes remain the same.

CARRIED

c) Report on 2017 Tax Ratios.

Chuck Verbo, Finance & Administration Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that the appropriate by-law be adopted maintaining the ratios detailed in the report.

MOTION #099/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: C. Gingras
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2017 Tax Ratios;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted maintaining the ratios detailed in the report

CARRIED

10. CHEQUE RUN:

11. REPORT OF APPOINTED MEMBERS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

a) Mayor Dumas provided a verbal update on this attendance at a recently held Thunder Bay District Municipal League Meeting.

12. BY-LAWS:

a) By-Law No. 1907, a by-law to amend Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 1873, was presented.

MOTION #1007/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 1907, a by-law to amend the Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 1873, be read a first and second time this 12th day of June, 2017.

RECORDED VOTE:	FOR	AGAINST	CONFLICT OF INTEREST
Mayor Dumas	x		
Councillor Fox		x	
Gingras	x		
Lake	x		
Tsubouchi	ABSENT		

CARRIED

b) By-Law No. 1908, a by-law to set Tax Ratios, confirm Property Classes and to set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Sub-classes for the Town of Marathon for the 2017 taxation year, was presented.

MOTION #101/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: C. Gingras
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 1908, A by-law to set Tax Ratios, confirm Property Classes and to set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Sub-classes for the Town of Marathon for the 2017 taxation year, be read a first and second time this 12th day of June, 2017.

CARRIED

- b) By-Law No. 1909, a by-law to authorize The Corporation of the Town of Marathon to enter into a Funding Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure, as defined herein, under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF), was presented.

MOTION #102/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: C. Gingras
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 1909, A by-law to authorize The Corporation of the Town of Marathon to enter into a Funding Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure, as defined herein, under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF), be read a first and second time this 12th day of June, 2017.

CARRIED

MOTION #103/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: C. Gingras
 Resolved: THAT By-Law Nos. 1907, 1908 and 1909, be read a third time and finally passed this 12th day of June, 2017.

CARRIED

13. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) No items were received.

14. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) A challenge was received from the Town of Shelburne regarding the Highway of Hero's Canada 150 Tree Planting Initiative. Members requested donation be given to a local project.

MOTION #104/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the challenge from the Municipality of Shelburne regarding to the Highway of Hero's Canada 150 Tree Planting Initiative;

AND THAT Council authorizes the purchase of a "Hero Tree" in the amount of \$150.00;

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

CARRIED

- b) A request was received from the Municipality of East Ferris seeking support of the letter received from MP Cheryl Gallant pertaining to the removal of the tax-exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials from the 2017 Federal Deficit Budget.

MOTION #105/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby support the resolution received from the East Ferris Municipality regarding the Trudeau Liberals removing the tax-exempt portion of remuneration paid to local officials from the 2017 Federal Deficit Budget;

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

CARRIED

- c) Information was received from DSSAB regarding the Governance and Accountability Review. Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, provided the background regarding the request. Administration was directed to forward a Council endorsed written submission.
- d) Discussion was required regarding Council donating to the Thunder Bay District Municipal League 100th Anniversary Annual General Meeting Mayor Dumas spoke to the issue and recommended the municipality donate towards the meeting.

MOTION #106/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby approves a \$1000.00 contribution to the Thunder Bay District Municipal League in support of their 100th Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

- e) A request was received from The Honourable Dipika Damerla, Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs, seeking June, 2017 be proclaimed as "Seniors' Month".

MOTION #107/17: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Fox
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby proclaim June, 2017 as "Seniors Month";

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this proclamation be placed on the Town's website and Facebook page.

CARRIED

- f) A motion was presented with regard to the 2016 Municipal Audit.

MOTION #108/17: Moved by: C. Gingras
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the 2016 Financial Statements as presented by Grant Thornton on June 12, 2017.

CARRIED

15. **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL INFORMATION:**

- a) The Emergency Services Department Monthly Reports for April, 2017, and May, 2017, were received.

16. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Dumas made general announcements and announce that members will be going into a closed session immediately following adjournment to discuss a personal matter about an identifiable individual and property matters.

17. **ADJOURN:**

<u>MOTION #109/17:</u>	Moved by:	R. Lake
	Seconded by:	T. Fox
	Resolved:	THAT we do now adjourn at the hour of 8:20p.m.
		CARRIED

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 Mayor

(SEAL)

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 Clerk