

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RENFREW

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew held in the Council Chambers on Monday, February 28th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m..

PRESENT WERE Mayor Ringrose

COUNCILLORS Anderson, Cole, Evans, McWhirter, Miller

ALSO PRESENT Clerk Bulmer, Treasurer O'Reilly, Chief Longtin, Director Whitman-McKie, Julie Stewart McAdoo (Planner), Valerie Jahn (Accountant/Deputy Treasurer)

Media (Mercury, MyFm, Cogeco)

I. CALLING THE ROLE

II. OPENING PRAYER

Major Glenn Wirachowsky of the Salvation Army opened the regular meeting of Council with Prayer.

III. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

IV. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

2011 - 2 - 29

MOVED by Councillor Anderson, Councillor Miller

THAT representatives from the Renfrew & Area Chamber of Commerce be heard before Council.

- CARRIED -

Kevin Bossy, President of the Renfrew & Area Chamber of Commerce, spoke on behalf of the organization and introduced the other board members present. Kevin highlighted the operations of the Chamber and the many annual events they sponsor. While the Chamber is appreciative of the past financial support of the Town of Renfrew, they feel that a new funding model is necessary. In essence, due to the value that the Town receives from the Information Officer's position, the Chamber would like the Town to contribute monies to cover at least 75% of the applicable salary costs. A commitment of annual increases during the current term of Council was suggested in order to close the identified funding gap.

V. CONFIRMING OF MINUTES

2011 - 2 - 30

MOVED by Councillor Miller, Councillor Anderson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 14th, 2011, be adopted as printed.

- CARRIED -

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

Renfrew County Child Poverty Action Network - funding support request

2011 - 2 - 31

MOVED by Councillor Cole, Councillor Evans

THAT the correspondence from the Renfrew County Child Poverty Action Network dated February 18th, 2011, requesting funding support for their Backpack Plus Program, be received and referred to the Finance Committee.

- CARRIED -

Family & Children's Services of Renfrew County - funding support request

2011 - 2 - 32

MOVED BY Councillor Evans, Councillor Cole

THAT the correspondence from Family & Children's Services of Renfrew County dated February 23rd, 2011, requesting funding support for the Darlene Aikens Memorial Summer Camp Program, be received and referred to the Finance Committee.

- CARRIED -

Renfrew County Recycling Centre - Municipal Recycling Services

2011 - 2 - 33

MOVED BY Councillor Miller, Councillor Anderson

THAT the correspondence from the Renfrew County Recycling Centre (A Subsidiary of Beaumen Industries) dated February 11th, 2011, respecting local waste recycling, be received and referred to the Development & Works Committee.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 34

MOVED BY Councillor Miller, Councillor Anderson

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew and Area Seniors' Home Support meeting held January 25th, 2011, be received.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 35

MOVED by Councillor Cole, Councillor Evans

THAT the notice of application for liquor license from the Santa Fe Southwestern Grill located at 168 Raglan Street South, be received.

- CARRIED -

VII. REPORTS

2011 - 2 - 36

MOVED BY Councillor Cole, Councillor Evans

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew receive the **Statement of Council and Police Services Board Expenses for 2010** as attached to Treasurer O'Reilly's report dated February 24th, 2011.

- CARRIED -

VII. REPORTS cont'd

2011 - 2 - 37

MOVED BY Councillor Cole, Councillor McWhirter

WHEREAS Section 283(7) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001 contains a requirement that should Council wish to retain the one-third tax-free allowance for remuneration, a by-law to do so needs to be reviewed at least once during the four-year period corresponding to the term of office of its member after a regular election; and

WHEREAS Renfrew Town Council has subsequently passed resolutions during its previous terms stating that one-third of their remuneration shall continue to be deemed expenses incident to the discharge of their duties as Members of Council.

NOW THEREFORE the 2010-2014 Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew resolves that one-third of the remuneration paid to the elected members of the Council shall continue to be deemed for expenses incident to the discharge of the duties of the Members of Council, hereby retaining its tax-free status.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 38

MOVED BY Councillor Cole, Councillor Evans

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew receive the **Statement of No Employee Salaries to Disclose** as attached to Treasurer O'Reilly's report dated February 24th, 2011.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 39

MOVED BY Councillor Cole, Councillor Evans

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew authorize the Treasurer to initiate land sales proceedings for all eligible properties as of January 1st, 2011.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 40

MOVED BY Councillor Evans, Councillor Cole

THAT the minutes of the Human Resource Committee meeting held January 5th, 2011, be received.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 41

MOVED BY Councillor Anderson, Councillor Miller

THAT Renfrew Town Council adopt the Vision and Mission Statements as presented in Director Whitman-McKie's report dated February 23rd, 2011.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 42

MOVED BY Councillor Evans, Councillor McWhirter

THAT the Service Objectives that came out of the Vision Mission Statements be accepted as developed through the Master Planning process for the Parks and Recreation Department.

- CARRIED -

VII. REPORTS cont'd

2011 - 2 - 43

MOVED BY Councillor Evans, Councillor McWhirter

THAT, as per the Master Plan recommendations, the Parks and Recreation Committee be given the mandate to proceed with overseeing the implementation of the Master Plan and to process recommendations to Council in a timely fashion.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 44

MOVED BY Councillor Cole, Councillor McWhirter

THAT By-Law 6-2011, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an agreement with GEM Health Care Group relating to the reconstruction and expansion of the existing Long Term Care facility at 470 Raglan Street North (East Half of Lot 14, Concession 1), more particularly described as Part 1, Plan 49R-1091 and to include Part 1 on Plan 49R-16988, be read a first time and be deemed to have been read a second time.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 45

MOVED BY Councillor Miller, Councillor Anderson

THAT By-Law 6-2011, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an agreement with GEM Health Care Group relating to the reconstruction and expansion of the existing Long Term Care facility at 470 Raglan Street North (East Half of Lot 14, Concession 1), more particularly described as Part 1, Plan 49R-1091 and to include Part 1 on Plan 49R-16988, be read a third time and be passed.

- CARRIED -

VIII. BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

2011 - 2 - 46

MOVED BY Councillor Miller, Councillor Anderson

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew Police Services Board meeting held January 12th, 2011, be received.

- CARRIED -

2011 - 2 - 47

MOVED BY Councillor Evans, Councillor Cole

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew Public Library Board meeting held January 18th, 2011, be received.

- CARRIED -

IX. BY-LAWS

B/L 6-2011 given three readings and passed.

X. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

General Discussion Items:

1. Fire Department - HR Issue / Volunteers / New Aerial Truck (Chief Longtin):

Chief Longtin reported that due to the pending retirement of a firefighter in 2011 a memorandum of understanding was signed to allow for an increase in allowable bank time to facilitate his planned end date.

Due to a reducing number of volunteer firefighters, local advertisements have been placed in hopes of attracting additional recruits. Unfortunately the response to date has not been overwhelming.

The acquisition of a new aerial truck is currently provided for in year 2012 of the capital budget. In order to assure delivery in 2012 a lead order needs to be placed approximately one year in advance. Projected cost to replace the current 75 foot stick ladder truck with a 100 foot platform ladder truck is approximately \$850,000.

2. EXPO 150 - municipal participation (Clerk Bulmer):

Clerk Bulmer advised Council that all 17 lower tier Renfrew County municipalities have been invited to participate by creating a display for EXPO 150 which will take place over a 4-day period this coming June. The Town needs to create its display keeping in mind the event's theme "Be Part of a Journey through Time". Ideas and volunteers are welcomed. The Administration Committee will act as the main organizing body.

3. CP Rail Corridor - future use:

Mayor Ringrose advised that he would like to begin some dialogue on the issue of the future of the CP Rail transportation corridor. He suggested that the possibility of continued rail operations along this line has likely come and gone and that consideration should be now focused on possible partnerships to ensure that the lands are maintained for recreational endeavours. Mayor Ringrose will take the opportunity to explore some of these possibilities with the County of Renfrew.

4. Resolution - Mat-Te-Way Major Capital Project:

2011 - 2 - 48

MOVED BY Councillor Evans, Councillor McWhirter

WHEREAS Renfrew Town Council, on August 9th, 2010, received the final copy of the Town of Renfrew Master Plan for Parks, Recreation and Culture as prepared by Clem Pelot Consulting; and

WHEREAS Recommendation #17 and Recommendation #18 of the Master Plan for Parks, Recreation and Culture proposes the development of an indoor pool and second ice surface at the Ma-Te-Way Activity Centre; and

WHEREAS Renfrew Town Council has reviewed the Master Plan for Parks, Recreation and Culture, discussed openly their individual points of view, and have met jointly with the Ma-Te-Way Aquatic Committee and the Second Ice Pad Committee to obtain their respective input.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT it is the intent of the Renfrew Town Council to pursue the option of a major capital expansion at the Ma-Te-Way Activity Centre that would include both an indoor aquatic facility and a second ice surface by taking the steps necessary to determine the viability of this proposed development.

X. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

General Discussion Items cont'd:

5. Resolution - Appointment of Acting Mayor to facilitate the execution of debenture documents:

2011 - 2 - 49

MOVED BY Councillor Miller, Councillor Anderson

THAT Councillor Gail Cole be appointed Acting Mayor to serve in the absence of Mayor Bill Ringrose from Tuesday, March 3rd, 2011 through Sunday, March 20th, 2011 inclusive, and shall therefore be given full legal signing authority during the duration of this appointment.

- CARRIED -

XI. ADJOURNMENT

2011 - 2 - 50

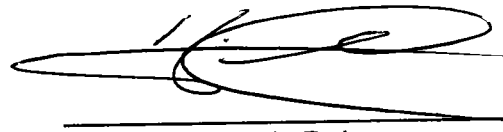
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Cole

THAT we do now adjourn (Time of adjournment 9:04 p.m.).

- CARRIED -



MAYOR - William A. Ringrose



CLERK - Kim R. Bulmer