



Municipality of French River

MINUTES OF THE COMBINED COUNCIL MEETING

held in the Council Chambers
Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 6pm

Members Present:

Mayor Claude Bouffard(Chair), Councillors Michel Bigras, Ronald Garbutt, Malcolm Lamothe, Gisèle Pageau, Denny Sharp, Dean Wenborne

Members Excused:

Officials Present:

Marc Gagnon, Chief Administrative Officer
Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk
Tom Ng, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Robert Martin, Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager
Carlie Zwiers, Executive Assistant

Guests:

Richard Eberhardt, Green Economy North
Paul Frustaglio, French River Rapids
9 Members of public

1. Call to order and roll call

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda (*and Additions if applicable*)

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2018- 100

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved as distributed.

Carried

The closed session moved up the agenda following the Delegation of the French River Rapids.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

4. Delegations

4.1 Green Energy North

Richard Eberhardt of Green Economy North made a presentation on how the Municipality could become a member of their program and of the services included with the membership for the annual fee of \$2,000.

Green Economy North is Northern Ontario's membership-based sustainable business program that provides affordable support to member organizations that want to set and meet sustainability targets. Their members have access to a wide variety of support, from technical workshops to one-on-one coaching.

As part of the membership, members receive support such as a complete Energy Consumption and GHG Emissions Audit of facilities (French River could prioritize major facilities such as the Arena, ACC, and Municipal Office), Energy Assessments, Action Planning, project identification for Asset Management Planning and implementation, support with Municipal Focused Funding Streams and assistance with Community Energy and Emissions Plan Models Community Level Engagement.

Council will consider the membership at the Regular Council Meeting of May 16th, 2018.

4.2 French River Rapids - NOJHL

Paul Frustaglio, President of the French River Rapids presented a picture of the team as a token of appreciation and provided a summary of the past year, their current issues and future plans. Mr. Frustaglio announced the hiring of Shawn Frappier as the new coach who is local and well known in the hockey industry.

Regardless of the team's challenges during the season, they have achieved goals such as keeping the team in French River, winning more games during this season than in the total past two, the increase in attendance and having 19 players out of 23 living in the community.

The French River Rapids are very fortunate for the community support and are hoping that it continues to increase. They have been very active and visible in the community again this season by helping in community events and working within the business community.

The team recognized that they contribute to the economy during the winter season where revenues in the communities are very low; many examples were given on how they contribute to the local economy and how they brought a positive image to French River in the hockey media.

Their future endeavors include having a competitive team to participate in the Dudley-Hewitt Cup and the initiative of establishing a type of private high school campus in the area through the Blyth Academy.

Mr. Frustaglio suggested that a community sign to announce events/activities would help to inform everyone of what's going on and that improved heat in all areas of the stands would help in making fans more comfortable. (#1 complaint of attendees)

Mr. Frustaglio was thankful of the continued supportive relationship with Council and the community.

12. Closed Session

Moved By Mike Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2018- 101

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be closed as authorized in the Municipal Act pursuant to Section 239 (a) "the security of the property of the municipality or local board" with respect to an update on the terms of the Agreements with the French River Rapids.

Carried

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Denny Sharp

Resol. 2018- 103

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the open session reconvenes at 7:46 p.m.

Carried

As a result of the Closed Session, the Chair reported that Council will be reviewing the agreements with the French River Rapids.

5. Resolution to resolve into Committee

Moved By Gisele Pageau and Seconded By Mike Bigras

Resol. 2018- 104

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council now go into Committee of the Whole to consider delegations, reports and correspondence for consideration.

Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Councillor Gisèle Pageau chaired the Committee of the Whole meeting.

6. Reports and Items for Consideration

6.1 General Government (NIL)

6.2 Finance

6.2.1 Resolution to authorize Reserve Transactions

The Treasurer presented the report provided under separate cover and advised that a Resolution is urgent to be able to finalize the 2017 Year End in time for the preparation of the Financial Statements to be approved at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the 2017 Reserve Transactions as detailed in the attached report dated May 2, 2018.

Carried

6.3 Public Works & Environment Services

6.3.1 Report - Analysis of Landfill Site Hours of Operation

The Acting Manager presented the report included in the agenda package.

Following discussion, Staff will further analyse the additional suggestions made by Council and will provide a revised report at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting for consideration.

6.4 Community Services

6.4.1 Draft Agreement with Economic Partners Sudbury East/West Nipissing Inc. for a Sudbury East Region Economic Development Officer

The CAO provided further information under separate cover to update Council on the ongoing regional project with Economic Partners as approved at a Council Meeting held June 21, 2017. The Agreement outlines the terms with Economic Partners and the Sudbury East Municipalities for the hiring of the Sudbury East Economic Development Officer which will be managed by Economic Partners Sudbury East/West Nipissing over the next three years.

A resolution will be presented at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting to adopt a By-law to authorize the Agreement.

6.4.2 Proclamation of June as Seniors' Month and recommendation for a financial donation

Councillor Pageau presented the report included in the agenda package.

Following discussion, Council generally agreed with the Proclamation and the donation of \$150. A resolution will be presented at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting to authorize the donation.

The Proclamation of June as Seniors' Month will be published in the Vision.

6.5 Emergency Services and Public Safety

6.5.1 Draft revised Property Standards By-law

The by-law was revised to conform to new legislation and to standardize regulations for the Shared Building and By-law Department.

Following discussion, Council generally agreed that the By-law be considered for adoption at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting.

6.5.2 Draft revised Clean Yard By-law

The by-law was revised to conform to legislation and to standardize regulations for the Shared Building and By-law Department.

Following discussion, Council generally agreed that the By-law be considered for adoption at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting.

6.6 Development & Planning (NIL)

6.7 Correspondence

6.7.1 École secondaire de la Rivière-des-Français Request for annual student bursary

The Clerk presented the request included in the agenda package.

Following discussion, Council generally agreed to increase the bursary from 200\$ to 500\$. A resolution will be presented at the May 16th Regular Council Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Claude Bouffard resumed the position of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

7. Verbal Motion to return into the Regular Meeting

Moved by: Denny Sharp

Resol. 2018- 106

THAT the Committee rise and report.

8. Consideration of the adoption of recommendations from Committee of the Whole

Moved By Mike Bigras and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2018- 107

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the actions taken in Committee of the Whole in considering delegations, reports and correspondence be confirmed by this Council.

Carried

9. Consent Agenda

The following motion was presented to adopt the items contained in the Consent Agenda:

Moved By Gisele Pageau and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2018- 108

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Items of the Consent Agenda under Sections 9.1, 9.3, 9.4 and receives the Items under Sections 9.2.

Carried

Items 9.1.1 and 9.3.1 were taken out of the Consent Agenda to allow debate.

9.1 Adoption of Minutes

*** Item was separated from the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

9.2 Minutes Received

Moved By Gisele Pageau and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2018- 109

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the following minutes as presented:

Sudbury East Planning Board held March 8, 2018

Carried

9.3 Items for Consideration or Information (NIL)

9.3.1 Monthly Disbursements Report

*** Item was separated from the Consent Agenda to allow debate.**

9.4 By-laws (NIL)

Items separated from the Consent Agenda to allow debate

9.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By Mike Bigras and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2018- 110

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the following minutes as presented:

Regular Council Meeting held April 18, 2018

Carried

9.3.1 Monthly Disbursements Report

The total disbursements reported for the months of March 2018 were in the amount of \$1,235,916.36.

10. Notices of Motion (NIL)

11. Announcement and Inquiries

12. Closed Session

***Item was moved up following Item 4.2, Delegation of the French River Rapids.**

13. Adjournment

Moved By Gisele Pageau and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2018- 111

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2018-27, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of French River at a meeting held on May 2, 2018 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2018- 112

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Carried

MAYOR

CLERK