



## **Municipality of French River**

### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

held in the Council Chambers  
French River Municipal Complex  
Wednesday, December 9, 2015 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:**

John Regan, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk  
Arthur Smith, Treasurer  
Denis Séguin, Fire Chief  
Robert Martin, Parks, Recreation & Facilities Manager  
Trista Verbiwski, Senior Economic Development and Tourism Officer

#### **Guests:**

5 Members of public

#### **1. Call to order, roll call and adoption of the agenda**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2015- 375

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be approved as distributed.

Carried

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#### **2. Moment of reflection**

Council paused for a moment of reflection.

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#### **3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None declared.

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#### **4. Resolution to resolve into Committee**

Moved By Malcolm Lamothe and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2015- 376

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council now go into Council in Committee to consider delegations, reports and correspondence for consideration.

Carried

## COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE

Councillor Michel Bigras chaired the Council in Committee meeting.

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### **5. Delegations**

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### **6. Management, Committee and Board Reports**

#### **6.1 Mayor**

Mayor gave a verbal report and informed that a special SEMA meeting will be held in French River on Monday, December 14, 2015 at 10am.

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#### **6.2 Chief Administrative Officer**

The CAO informed that the employees are getting fitted with Personal Protection Equipment clothing which will also be branded with our Municipal Logo and branding clothing is being offered to Staff and Council. Council were also offered with dress blazers with the Municipal Logo as a uniform that will also serve as branding clothing which will be cost shared at 50%.

A photoshoot at an early meeting in 2016 will be scheduled to have a portrait of the new Council.

The CAO reported that he was given the opportunity to represent French River and Canada to teach Economic Development through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) in Ukraine for a period of two years; one week in January and one in June 2016 and in 2017 at no cost to French River.

The CAO reminded Council that the recruitment of a shared Full Time Fire Chief with St.-Charles did not proceed. The recruitment for a part-time Fire Chief was held to replace the Fire Chief who resigned as of December 4<sup>th</sup>. The successful candidate was Denis Séguin.

#### **6.2.1 By-law to appoint a Fire Chief**

Moved By Claude Bouffard and Seconded By Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2015- 377

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2015-67, being a by-law to appoint Denis Séguin as Fire Chief be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

### **6.3 Clerk**

The Clerk confirmed those participating in the Alban Parade Float on Friday, December 11.

#### **6.3.1 Investigator Services Agreement with LAS**

The Clerk presented the report included in the agenda package.

Moved By Dean Wenborne and Seconded By Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2015- 378

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council authorizes the Clerk to renew the LAS Closed Meeting Investigator Program for the 2016-2017 Term.

Defeated

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### **6.4 Finance Department**

The Treasurer reported expenses over an approved amount; the Capital Road Improvement Program Contract expenditures exceeded the awarded amount by over 30%. A full report to Council will be presented once an examination of the matter and work performed is complete.

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### **6.5 Parks, Recreation & Facilities Department**

#### **6.5.1 Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan**

Moved By Ron Garbutt and Seconded By Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2015- 379

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Municipality's Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 397/11.

Carried

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#### **6.5.2 Grants and Subsidy Application**

Moved By Claude Bouffard and Seconded By Dean Wenborne

Resol. 2015- 380

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Grant & Subsidy Application for a rebate of \$200 from the hall rental fee at the Noëlville Community Centre received from the French River Curling Club for their Curling Awards and Dinner on December 13.

Carried

### **6.5.3 Grants and Subsidy Application**

Moved By Gisèle Pageau and Seconded By Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2015- 381

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Grant & Subsidy Application for a rebate of \$200 from the hall rental fee at the Alban Community Centre received from the Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish for the Christmas Mass on December 24.

Carried

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## **6.6 Economic Development Department**

### **6.6.1 Third Quarter Report**

The Senior Economic Development and Tourism Officer presented the report found in the agenda package.

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## **6.7 Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board**

### **6.7.1 Third Quarter Activity and Financial Report**

The report was included in the agenda package.

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## **7. Correspondence for Council's Consideration**

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## **8. Verbal Motion to return into the Regular Meeting**

Moved by: Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2015- 382

**THAT** the Committee rise and report.

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## **REGULAR MEETING**

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

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## **9. Resolution adopting proceedings from Council in Committee**

Moved By: Denny Sharp  
Seconded By: Gisèle Pageau

Resol. 2015- 383

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

Carried

## **10. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Moved By: Michel Bigras  
Seconded By: Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2015- 384

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Items of the Consent Agenda under Sections 10.1, 10.4 and receives the Items under Sections 10.2, 10.3.

Carried

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### **10.1 Adoption of Minutes**

Moved By: Michel Bigras  
Seconded By: Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2015- 385

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

Special Meeting of Council held November 24, 2015  
Regular Council Meeting held November 25, 2015

Carried

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### **10.2 Minutes Received**

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### **10.3 Correspondence for Council's Information**

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### **10.4 By-laws**

**The following By-laws were read and adopted:**

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#### **10.4.1 Confirmation By-law**

Moved By: Michel Bigras  
Seconded By: Ron Garbutt

Resol. 2015- 386

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law 2015-68, 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 December 9, 2015 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

**11. ADDENDUM** (if required and by resolution)

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**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

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**13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES**

Mr. Ron Robert of Alban shared his concerns with the road work performed and the engineer supervision on Turenne Road; he will be providing an official letter.

Carl Bisaillon, of the French River Citizens Association requested something in writing of the Mayor's attendance to meetings and conferences and more information from the stats of Economic Development activities for their monthly report in the Vision.

Frank Mueck of Noëlville would like to see a report or document that would outline the strategic direction of road maintenance; the road management plan and minimum standards policy will be provided.

Trista Verbiwski reminded Council of the Adopt a Grand Parent Christmas Lunch and project being held on December 16<sup>th</sup> at the École Secondaire de la Rivière-des-Français.

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**14. Closed Session**

Moved By: Gisèle Pageau  
Seconded By: Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2015- 387

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended for the purpose of personal matters that would identify municipal employees and that the meeting is to be closed pursuant to the said subsection.

Carried

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Moved By: Ron Garbutt  
Seconded By: Malcolm Lamothe

Resol. 2015- 389

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the open session reconvenes at 7:56 p.m.

Carried

## **15. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved By: Denny Sharp  
Seconded By: Michel Bigras

Resol. 2015- 390

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Carried

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**