

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2020

The regular meeting of Council was held this date at the Calvin Community Centre. Present were Mayor Ian Pennell, Deputy Mayor Sandy Cross, Coun Heather Olmstead, Coun Dan Maxwell, Coun Dean Grant, Jacob Grove and Cindy Pigeau.

Regrets: 0 Guests: 1

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pennell

PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Councillor Dean Grant declared a conflict of interest on Agenda Item No. 12 – Item Title: C2020-04 Reason: “Discussion/Information in relation to Stewarts Rd involving my parents”

Councillor Dean Grant declared a conflict of interest on Agenda Item No. 12 – Item Title: C2020-05 Reason: “Discussion/Information in relation to Stewarts Rd involving my parents”

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS: None

2020-030 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

Moved by Coun Maxwell and seconded by Coun Olmstead that the Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 be hereby adopted and signed as circulated.
Carried

2020-031 RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

Moved by Coun Olmstead and seconded by Coun Maxwell that WHEREAS The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin is committed to planning for and protecting the future sustainability of its resources and environment; AND WHEREAS The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin is within the North Bay- Mattawa Conservation Authority Watershed jurisdiction; AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is currently reviewing the mandated roles and responsibilities of Conservation Authorities; AND WHEREAS Conservation Authorities provide essential services to municipalities in their watershed; AND WHEREAS smaller Municipalities do not have capacity or the financial resource to employ staff with the technical expertise that Conservation Authorities provide and; WHEREAS development within or near to natural hazards can have significant negative consequences to properties and life; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin encourages the Province to continue to support the principle of planning, conserving of land and water, and facilitating development on a watershed basis in the on-going review and; FURTHER to prioritize the allocation of adequate funding to support the core mandate of Conservation Authorities; AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks; the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry; Premier Doug Ford, MPP Vic Fedeli; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority.
Carried

2020-032 RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR APPLICATION TO ALL BROADBAND FUNDING

Moved by Coun Maxwell and seconded by Coun Olmstead that WHEREAS, reliable, high speed, affordable access to the Internet and e-connectivity is imperative for the Municipality of Calvin residents, businesses, non-profit organizations and visitors; and WHEREAS, internet and e-connectivity are changing how humans interact with each other and with the world at large, as well as being a driving

force for the current and future economy; and WHEREAS, internet and e-connectivity create opportunity for increased innovation for consumers, businesses, agriculture, government; education, social and health development and WHEREAS, municipalities that prioritize and provide access to advanced internet infrastructure such as fibre, are surpassing those that do not in terms of social, economic, and knowledge development; and WHEREAS, the Municipality of Calvin must plan and prioritize for the deployment and adoption of this infrastructure including but not limited to pursuing collaborations and partnerships in the efforts to effectively achieve greater access to affordable high-speed internet throughout the region, and WHEREAS, much of the Municipality of Calvin does not have access to greater than 5Mbps internet service, which is well below the CRTC standard of 50/10 Mbps, and WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of Calvin acknowledges that access to the internet and e-connectivity is a crucial part of our community mission to promote public safety, health, well-being and prosperity in order to improve the quality of life for present and future generations, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Calvin supports Blue Sky Economic Growth Corporation's application to all government Broadband funding programs that will seek to provide funding to Spectrum Telecom Group Ltd to build a fibre and wireless access project in parts of the City of North Bay and South/East Region in the Districts of Nipissing and Parry Sound.”

Carried

2020-033 AUTHORIZATION FOR CHAINSAW COURSE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Moved by Coun Olmstead and seconded by Coun Maxwell that Council hereby authorizes the Fire Chief to arrange and provide a Chainsaw Safety Course on February 27th, 2020 for the Municipality of Calvin Volunteer Firefighters in advance of the approval of the 2020 Budget in order to take advantage of the significant cost savings Trans Canada Safety is providing.

Carried

2020-034 RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH HALL RENOVATIONS STAFF REPORT

Moved by Coun Maxwell and seconded by Coun Olmstead that Council hereby requests Staff to proceed with producing a report on the hall renovations.

Carried

2020-027 AGREEMENT WITH THE MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FORESTRY FIRE MANAGEMENT

By-law No. 2020-005 being a by-law to enter into an agreement between her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as Represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (Forestry Fire Management Renewal Agreement). This By-law received the 3rd and final reading on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 and finally passed before an open Council on this date.

Carried

Discussion regarding the Procedural By-Law was deferred until after the training suggested by the Mayor for Council be arranged and provided.

The Public Swimming Access to the Amable Du Fond River Committee motion was deferred to the March 10th, 2020 regular Council Meeting.

2020-035 FLYER TO REQUEST PUBLIC VOLUNTEER FOR THE PUBLIC SWIMMING ACCESS TO THE AMABLE DU FOND RIVER COMMITTEE

Moved by Coun Grant and seconded by Coun Maxwell that Council hereby authorizes the preparation and distribution of a flyer to request a public volunteer (1) for the potential Ad Hoc Public Swimming Access to the Amable Du Fond River Committee; AND the flyer shall be sent out by Friday, February 28th, 2020; AND the cost will be shared with the Calvin Women's Association's existing flyer.

Carried

2020-036 AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH DRAFT CORPORATE POLICY

Moved by Coun Grant and seconded by Coun Cross that Council hereby authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer to proceed with producing a DRAFT Corporate Policy for the process of producing a Policy, By-Law, Manual or any other Municipal document.

Carried

2020-037 AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH RESEARCH INTO FORMAL COMPLAINT POLICY

Moved by Coun Cross and seconded by Coun Grant that Council hereby authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer to proceed with research into a Formal Complaint Policy.

Carried

The motion for the staff to proceed with the hall renovations and the suggested time frame for the hall closure (until March 31st 2020) to complete the hall renovations and annual maintenance (Floor Stripping and Waxing) was defeated.

2020-038 COUNCIL DECISION REGARDING HALL RENOVATIONS, ANNUAL MAINTENANCE (FLOOR STRIPPING AND WAXING) AND HALL CLOSURE

Moved by Coun Grant and seconded by Coun Olmstead that Council hereby authorizes that Staff shall proceed with the hall renovations until completion and that floor stripping will not take place this year; AND that as soon as the bathroom renovations have been completed the hall will be opened to the public. This information shall also be added to the Citizens Alert App and the Calvin Webpage.

Carried

2020-039 DISBURSEMENTS

Moved by Coun Grant and seconded by Coun Cross that the disbursements dated February 20, 2020 in the amount of \$34,958.55 and February 25, 2020 in the amount of \$0 (no invoices) be hereby authorized and passed for payment.

Carried

2020-040 CLOSED PORTION

Moved by Coun Cross and seconded by Coun Olmstead that this portion of the meeting be now closed as Per Section 239(2)(e) of Municipal Act for litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board and Section 239 (2)(f) of the Municipal Act advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, Section 239 (2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and/or Section 239 (2)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations.

Carried

At 9:15pm Council moved to Closed Portion. Councillor Dean Grant left the building at this time. Councillor Grant returned to the table in Closed Portion at 9:44pm.

At 10:33pm Council returned to the Open Meeting.

2020-041 ADOPTION OF COUNCIL REPORTS FROM CLOSED PORTION

Moved by Coun Cross and seconded by Coun Olmstead that Council Reports:

C2020-04 Adopt Minutes of Last Closed Portion Held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 and

C2020-05 Directive to Solicitor regarding response letter to be sent, RE: Stewarts Road

C2020-06 Directive to Staff RE: Compliant regarding Staff Time Management

C2020-07 Adjourn Closed Portion

be hereby approved and adopted as presented.

Carried

2020-042 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Coun Cross and seconded by Coun Grant that this regular meeting of Council now be adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Carried