THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

1001st REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

APRIL 15th, 2024

Present:

Mayor:

D. Robinson (7:05-8:19pm)

Deputy Mayor:

G. Muir

Councillors:

N. Gladun

M. Smith

C. Brand

Chief Administrative Officer:

M. Figliomeni

Municipal Secretary:

W. Odahl

ONE: CLOSED SESSION

1.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #1

Moved by:

Councillor Gladun

Seconded by:

Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into Closed Session at 6:30pm under the authorities as printed in the Agenda.

CARRIED

Council entered Closed Session.

1.2 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Deputy Mayor Muir's request, Councillor Brand disclosed interest for Item 1.4 of the agenda in Closed Session. Councillor Brand left the Council Chambers at 6:36pm and returned at 6:43pm.

Resolution #2

Moved by:

Councillor Gladun

Seconded by:

Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 7:03pm and report in Open Session.

CARRIED

The open session re-convened at 7:03pm.

TWO: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council discussed legal matters, an item regarding an identifiable individual, employee negotiations and acquisition/disposition of land in Closed Session.

THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Muir called the meeting to order at 7:04p.m.

3.2 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement & Moment of Silence

Deputy Mayor Muir read aloud the following land recognition and then proceeded in a moment of silence:

"Council of the Township of Red Rock hereby acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Robinson-Superior Treaty and that the land we gather on is home to the Red Rock Indian Band, the Anishnaabek and the Metis People."

3.3 Acceptance of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved with the following resolution:

Resolution #3

Moved by:

Councillor Brand

Seconded by:

Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this Meeting of Council, be accepted.

CARRIED

3.4 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Deputy Mayor Muir's request, no members disclosed interest in matters before Council this evening.

FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS

4.1 Nipigon OPP – 4th Quarter Report

Dave Moscall from Nipigon OPP Detachment presented the 4th Quarterly Report to Council. Council discussed foot and school patrols within the community.

Resolution #4

Moved by:

Councillor Brand

Seconded by:

Mayor Robinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 4th Quarterly Report from the Nipigon OPP Detachment be accepted.

CARRIED

4.2 OCWA - 2023 Annual Report for Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Plant

Patrick Albert from OCWA presented the 2023 Annual Summary Report for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Council requested maintenance reports be included in the quarterly reports.

Resolution #5

Moved by:

Mayor Robinson

Seconded by:

Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2023 Annual Report for the Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Plan from Ontario Clean Water Agency, be accepted.

CARRIED

FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of the April 2, 2024 Meeting of Council

Council approved the Minutes for the April 2, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council with the following resolution:

Resolution #6

Moved by:

Councillor Smith

Seconded by:

Mayor Robinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Minutes of the April 2, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

SIX: CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Resolutions from other Municipalities

No resolutions from other municipalities were brought forward at the meeting.

6.2 NWMO – 2023 Annual Report & 2024-28 Implementation Plan

CAO Figliomeni revealed that the NWMO had inquired about a conversation with Council regarding a recent resolution in support of correspondence from We The Nuclear Free North.

6.3 Red Rock, Nipigon & Dorion Libraries - A Superior Adventure

Council discussed the previous donation of gift cards to the event before deciding to go with a \$250.00 donation.

Resolution #7

Moved by:

Councillor Smith

Seconded by:

Mayor Robinson

Council approves a donation of \$250.00 to the Red Rock, Nipigon and Dorion Libraries for their program 'A Superior Adventure'.

CARRIED

6.4 NOMA - Draft 2024 Conference Agenda

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.5 TC Energy - Annual Inspection Programs within Northern Ontario

Council asked Administration if they are also informed by phone of inspections.

6.6 Parks Canada - What We Heard Report

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.7 NWO Sports Hall of Fame Newsletter

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.8 Top of Lake Superior Chamber of Commerce - April 2, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

SEVEN: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES

7.1 Red Rock Public Library Board – March 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the minutes.

Resolution #8

Moved by:

Councillor Smith

Seconded by:

Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Red Rock Public Library Board's meeting on March 19, 2024, be received.

CARRIED

EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Report from Community Development Officer

The CAO answered questions on behalf of the CDO. Council discussed the arborist progress currently underway and details of the Red Rock Recreation Centre upgrades. Council discussed possible funding opportunities for marina docks.

Resolution #9

Moved by:

Councillor Gladun

Seconded by:

Mayor Robinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the submission of an application to the FCM Community Buildings Retrofit Initiative – GHG Reduction Pathway Feasibility Study to conduct energy audits and building condition assessments of its facilities with recommendations, Class C cost estimates, and GHG Reduction Pathway scenarios, to support the development and implementation of our Municipal Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan, to cover 80% of project costs, or approximately \$100,670.50.

CARRIED

Resolution #10

Moved by:

Mayor Robinson

Seconded by:

Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report from the Community Development Officer be received.

CARRIED

8.2 Report on Administrative Activity

The CAO reviewed his report with Council. The CAO updated Council on the municipal insurance process and noted that a special meeting of Council may be held prior to May 1st. CAO Figliomeni followed up with the new reporting structure that eliminates a Public Works report. Council discussed a town hall meeting to address resident concerns in the upcoming months. Council agreed that a structured meeting with an Agenda would be most effective.

Resolution #11

Moved by:

Councillor Brand

Seconded by:

Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report on Administrative Activity be received.

CARRIED

8.3 Report on OPP Detachment Board Appointment

Based on a previous Council Meeting's recommendation, Councillor Muir was appointed to represent Red Rock on the OPP Detachment Board.

Resolution #12

Moved by:

Mayor Robinson

Seconded by:

Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoints Gord Muir as the Township of Red Rock representative on the OPP Detachment Board.

CARRIED

8.4 Report on BDO Auditor Fees Agreement

Council participated in a lengthy discussion on municipal auditors and the proposed contract brought forward by administration. A motion to pass a 5 year contract with the current financial audit company was defeated by a 3-2 vote. After much consideration, Council came to a majority decision to direct Administration to authorize a 3 year contract with BDO Canada LLP based on the proposed quotes.

Resolution #13

Moved by:

Councillor Smith

Seconded by:

Mayor Robinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves to enter into a 3 year agreement with BDO Canada LLP for annual audit services for the 2024-2026 calendar years.

CARRIED

8.5 Report on Tax Write-Off

CAO Figliomeni brought forward the second step in a property the Township vested at the prior meeting of Council.

Resolution #14

Moved by:

Councillor Gladun

Seconded by:

Mayor Robinson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves a tax write-off for the property known as 419 HWY 628, in the amount of \$17,610.50.

CARRIED

NINE: BY-LAWS

None

TEN: NEW BUSINESS

None

ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no updates on items under Unfinished Business.

TWELVE: CLOSED SESSION

Council did not go into back Closed Session.

THIRTEEN: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

None

FOURTEEN: CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #15

Moved by:

Mayor Robinson

Seconded by:

Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-1356, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting be passed as circulated.

CARRIED

FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Muir reminded the public that the next meeting of Council will be held on Monday, May 6^{th} .

With no further business to conduct, Deputy Mayor Muir declared the meeting adjourned at 8:19p.m.

Mayor

Med Administrative Officer/Clerk