

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

1003rd REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MAY 6th, 2024

Present:	Mayor:	D. Robinson
	Councillors:	G. Muir
		N. Gladun
		C. Brand
	Chief Administrative Officer:	M. Figliomeni
	Municipal Secretary:	W. Odahl
	Regrets:	M. Smith

ONE: CLOSED SESSION

1.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #1

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

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 Mayor Robinson's request, Councillor Brand disclosed interest for Item 1.6 of the agenda in Closed Session. Councillor Brand left the Council Chambers at 6:53pm and returned at 7:01pm.

1.3 Minutes of the April 15, 2024 Meeting of Council (Closed Session)

Council approved the Closed Session Minutes for the April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council with the following resolution:

Resolution #2

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Minutes of the April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Resolution #3

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 7:01pm and report in Open Session.

CARRIED

The open session re-convened at 7:01pm.

TWO: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council discussed acquisition/disposition of land, items regarding identifiable individuals, legal matters and employee negotiations in Closed Session. Council did not finish discussing items and Mayor Robinson noted that they would be going back into Closed Session at the end of the meeting.

THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 Call to Order

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

3.2 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement & Moment of Silence

Mayor Robinson 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.”

CARRIED

3.3 Acceptance of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved with the following resolution:

Resolution #4

Moved by: Councillor Brand

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

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

CARRIED

3.4 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Mayor Robinson’s request, no members disclosed interest in matters before Council this evening.

FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS

4.1 Red Rock Developments Inc. – Proposed Tax Rate for New Builds

Peter Whitby from Red Rock Developments Inc. updated Council on projects and accomplishments thus far including multiple home renovations, the lifting of the environmental order on the mill property and the re-opening and branding of the Lodge at Red Rock, formally known as the Quebec Lodge. He requested for Council to have Administration research other municipalities that give tax reductions to new build homes for a period of time to incentivize more homes being built. Throughout his presentation, he mentioned that it is a goal of the company to build 100 new homes in the community.

FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of the April 15, 2024 Meeting of Council

Council approved the Open Session Minutes for the April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council and Minutes of the April 25, 2024 Special Meeting of Council with the following resolutions:

Resolution #5

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Open Session Minutes of the April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Resolution #6

Moved by: Councillor Gladun

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Minutes of the April 25, 2024 Special Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

SIX: CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Resolutions from other Municipalities

Resolution #7

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

Council supports the correspondence from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding changes to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED

6.2 Nipigon Fire Department – Donation Request

Council agreed on a donation to the Nipigon Fire Department in the amount of \$250.00.

Resolution #8

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

Council approves a donation of \$250.00 to the Nipigon Fire Department's 1st Annual Mutual Aid Golf Tournament.

CARRIED

6.3 Red Rock Fish & Game Club – Donation Request

Council discussed the previous donation to the Ice Fishing Derby and approved an in-kind donation for marina services to the derby.

Resolution #9

Moved by: Councillor Brand

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

Council approves an in-kind donation of Marina services to the Red Rock Fish & Game Club's 25th Annual Trout Derby.

CARRIED

6.4 CP Rail – 2024 Vegetation Control Program

Council discussed the information provided to them from CP Rail regarding the weed and grass control using herbicides on rail lines.

6.5 Ministry of Finance – OMPF Funding Allocation

CAO Figliomeni mentioned that the funding allocation has not increased or decreased in recent years, noting that some other municipalities have seen a decrease.

6.6 TBDSSAB – March 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes (Open & Closed)

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.7 TBDHU – March 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.8 TBDML – November 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.9 TBDML – December 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.10 MPAC – 2023 Financial Statements

Council discussed whether the financial statements provided were reflected in the district or if they reflected MPAC as a whole.

6.11 Top of Lake Superior Chamber – April 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.12 TBDSSAB – Update from the Board

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.13 Ministry of Transportation – Highway Resurfacing Preliminary Design

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.14 TBDSSAB – 2023 Annual Report

Council posed no questions or discussions on the report.

6.15 Top of Lake Superior Chamber – 2024 Sponsorship

Council questioned which local businesses in the community are members of the Chamber of Commerce or are aware of the organization. Council discussed being able to nominate and vote on awards as well. A motion to approve a sponsorship to the Chamber was defeated by a 2-2 vote as Council requested more information from the Chamber of Commerce.

SEVEN: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES

None

EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Report on Administrative Activity

The CAO reviewed his report with Council. Council discussed inviting RockTech to Red Rock for a community engagement session prior to having a general town hall meeting. Council discussed scheduling the Nuclear Waste Management Organization's display unit for September, with the possibility of the high school possibly wanting to utilize the unit for their classes.

Resolution #10

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

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

CARRIED

8.3 Report on Declaration of Surplus Property

The CAO's report reflected the third step in the vesting process which includes the declaration of surplus property.

Resolution #11

Moved by: Councillor Gladun
Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the property known as 419 Highway 628, Red Rock, ON, be declared as surplus.

CARRIED

NINE: BY-LAWS

None

TEN: NEW BUSINESS

None

ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no updates on items under Unfinished Business.

TWELVE: CLOSED SESSION

12.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #12

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into Closed Session at 8:00pm under the authorities as printed in the Agenda.

CARRIED

Council entered Closed Session.

Resolution #13

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 8:14pm and report in Open Session.

CARRIED

The open session re-convened at 8:14pm.

THIRTEEN: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council discussed matters relating to an identifiable individual and matter that fall under solicitor-client privilege in Closed Session.

FOURTEEN: CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #14

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-1358, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting be passed as circulated.

CARRIED

FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Robinson reminded the public that the next meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, May 21st.

With no further business to conduct, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:16p.m.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk