

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack was held and hosted by way of a Zoom Conference call from the Council Chambers on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Dave Ham
Councillor Dave McDowell
Councillor Rob Maguire
Councillor Christianna Jones
Councillor Hugh Moggy – 5:15 pm

Staff: Alton Hobbs, CAO/Deputy Clerk
Deb MacDonald, Treasurer
Freda Bond, Tax and Utilities Manager
Jackie White, PEC
Ron Cooper, Public Works Superintendent
Shelba Millette, EDO

PRESS Tom Sasvari: Expositor

OPENING:

#013-02-2022 D. McDowell – C. Jones

THAT the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack be opened for business at 5:05 pm, with a quorum of members present virtually, with Mayor Ham presiding in the Chair.

CARRIED

AGENDA:

#014-02-2022 C. Jones - R. Maguire

THAT we confirm the attendance of the Members of Council electronically (on Zoom) and adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

NONE

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NONE

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

#015-02-2022 C. Jones - D. McDowell

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the January 4, 2022 be accepted.

CARRIED

#016-02-2022 C. Jones – D. McDowell

THAT the Minutes of the Assiginack 150 Committee Meeting of December 9, 2021 be accepted.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

#017-02-2022 R. Maguire – C. Jones

THAT we thank John Cannard of JL Richards for attending this meeting to review his report regarding the updated costing of the Waterfront Study.

CARRIED

Mr. Cannard reviewed the major points of his report and pointed out that there is insufficient space for adequate parking for current recreational uses and a 50+ slip marina.

Council members asked questions regarding federal and provincial approvals, environmental assessments, timing and infrastructure such as breakwalls.

Council members also asked about potential impacts on the municipal water intake, and the development of a seasonal road along Bay Street.

Mr. Cannard responded that his original mandate was to update the costs contained in the original 2001 study. Many of the issues raised by Council would have to be costed out in addition to his original estimates.

REPORTS:

Councillor McDowell asked if the Community Emergency Management Coordinator had rescheduled his waterfront site visit and was told that due to the current Covid related Emergency orders, he had not.

Councillor McDowell also asked if the Steamship Society had anything to report to Council, and the Mayor reported that Covid had impacted their work as well but was optimistic that an announcement would be made in the near future.

ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS:

#018-02-2022 D. McDowell - H. Moggy

THAT Council authorizes the following Accounts for Payment:

General: \$436,544.48;

AND THAT the Mayor and administration be authorized to complete cheques #31575 through #31609 and #31617 through #31640 as described in the attached cheque register report.

CARRIED

#019-02-2022 C. Jones - R. Maguire

THAT Council authorizes the following Accounts for Payment:

Payroll: \$21,196.17;

AND THAT the Mayor and administration be authorized to complete cheques #31610 through #31616 as described in the attached cheque register report.

CARRIED

PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Jones reported that the Committee had experienced an unaudited loss of approximately \$18,000.00 and that member municipalities might be called upon to provide funding assistance.

#020-02-2022 R. Maguire – D. McDowell

THAT we confirm with MPAC the assessment write down on Roll # 5111 000 011 037 0000 pursuant to the attached application under Section 357 of the Assessment Act.

CARRIED

#021-02-2022 D. McDowell - C. Jones

WHEREAS the following tenders were received for a) Parks Maintenance and Garbage Collection for three years: Windows Unlimited: \$ 75,312.80 exclusive of taxes

And

b) Grass Cutting Various Locations: Windows Unlimited: \$ 37,500.00 exclusive of taxes

NOW THEREFORE THAT the tenders of Windows Unlimited be accepted.

TABLED

INFORMATION ITEMS:

#022-02-2022 H. Moggy – C. Jones

THAT we acknowledge receipt of the following correspondence items:

- a) MNDM: NORDS Program Guidelines
- b) CPAC: November 2021 Statistics

CARRIED

BY-LAWS:

#023-02-2022 R. Maguire - C. Jones

THAT By-law #22-02, being a by-law to Authorize an Agreement Extension with the Animal Control Officer for a further two year term be given first, second, third and final reading and enacted in Open Council.

CARRIED

#024-02-2022 H. Moggy – D. McDowell

THAT By-law #22-03, being a by-law to authorize an employment agreement with a By-law Enforcement Officer be given first, second, third and final readings and enacted in Open Council.

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

NONE

CLOSING:

#025-02-2022 C. Jones - R. Maguire

THAT we adjourn until the next regular meeting or call of the Chair.

CARRIED

David Ham, MAYOR

Alton Hobbs, CAO/DEPUTY CLERK

6:15 pm

These Minutes have been circulated but are not considered Official until approved by Council.