Regular Meeting of City Council

Minutes



May 18, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Electronic Participation via Zoom

Members Present: Mayor Al McDonald, Councillor Tanya Vrebosch, Councillor Brousseau, Councillor Mayne, Councillor Bill Vrebosch, Councillor King, Councillor Robertson, Councillor Bain, Councillor Mendicino, Councillor Tignanelli, Councillor Maroosis

1. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

- 1.1 Councillor T. Vrebosch Community Safety and Well-Being Update "as my employer are the ones that were asked to create the report."
- 1.2 Councillor Maroosis Request for Tender 2021-17, Wallace Road Sewage Pumping Station, Sanitary Sewer and Forcemain "as my son-in-law is an employee of Kenalex and although they did not receive this contract they are listed as one of the bidders."
- 1.3 Mayor Al McDonald Summary of Open and Active Capital Projects as at December 31, 2020 "as I own land in the area of one of the Capital Projects on Cedar Heights."
- 1.4 Councillor T. Vrebosch Rent Arrears "as this is a core business of my employer."

2. Public Presentations

3. Public Meeting Minutes

Res. # 2021-204

Moved by Councillor Mendicino Seconded by Councillor Tignanelli

That the minutes for the public meetings held on:

- Tuesday, May 4, 2021

be adopted as presented.

Carried

4. Motion for Reconsideration

5. Committee Reports

5.1 General Government Committee Report No. 2021-07

Res. # 2021-205

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That General Government Committee Report No. 2021-07 relating to:

- 2021 Tax Policy Review

be adopted as presented.

General Government Committee Report No. 2021-07

May 18, 2021

To The Council Of The Corporation Of The City Of North Bay

Your Worship and Councillors: The General Government Committee presents Report No. 2021-07 and recommends:

"That Council adopts the 2021 Tax Policy as follows:

1. Tax Ratios:

<u>Tax Class</u>	<u>Ratio</u>	<u>Tax Class</u>	<u>Ratio</u>
New Multi- Residential	1.0000	Pipeline	1.1656
Multi-Residential	1.9900	Farmland	0.1500
Commercial	1.8800	Managed Forest	0.2500
Industrial	1.4000		

2. Tax Reductions for Mandated Subclasses of Vacant Land (Commercial/Industrial):

Pursuant to Section 313.(1.3) of the Municipal Act the Tax Ratios By-Law will include the required recital in accordance with Subsection 313(1.3) of the Municipal Act when no tax rate reductions are applied to the vacant or excess land subclasses prescribed under paragraphs 2 or 3 of Subsection 8(1) of the Assessment Act."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Carried

6. Correspondence

6.1 Accessible Parking By-Law

Res. # 2021-206 Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch That Council authorize:

- 1. the enactment of By-Law No. 2021-49, being a by-law to establish a system of Accessible Parking and to regulate Accessible Parking On-Street and Off-Street; and
- an application for approval of Set Fines and Short Form Wordings for offences contrary to the Accessible Parking By-Law No. 2021-49, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-52 dated April 27, 2021 from Ron Melnyk.

Carried

6.2 Election Sign By-Law

Res. # 2021-207

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That Council receive and refer Report to Council CORP 2021-38 re Election Sign By-Law dated May 3, 2021 from Jenn Montreuil to the General Government Committee.

Carried

6.3 Request for Proposal 2021-12, Parking Enforcement and Security Services

Res. # 2021-208

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That City Council approve the award of a contract to Neptune Security Services Inc. based on the unit rates specified in their bid for Request for Proposal 2021-12, for the provision of parking enforcement and security services for a term of five (5) years.

Carried

6.4 Request for Proposal 2021-30, Used Dozer

Res. # 2021-209 Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That City Council approve the award of a contract to Liebherr-Canada Ltd. in the amount of \$274,999.00 (plus HST), for the provision of a user dozer.

6.5 Request for Proposal 2021-31, Landfill Compactor

Res. # 2021-210(a)

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That City Council approve the award of a contract to Toromont CAT in the amount of \$959,500.00 (plus HST), for the supply and delivery of a 2019 Demo Class Caterpillar 826K landfill compactor, plus a maintenance and repair contract based on the rates specified in their proposal.

Carried

Res. # 2021-210(b)

Moved by Councillor King Seconded by Councillor Tignanelli

That Report to Council from Mary-Ann Kotylak and John Ouellette dated May 7, 2021 re Request for Proposal 2021-31, Landfill Compactor be referred to Committee.

Lost

6.6 Method of Vote: 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections

Res. # 2021-211

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That Council receive and refer Report to Council CORP 2021-54 re: Method of Vote: 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections dated May 6, 2021 from Karen McIsaac to the General Government Committee.

Carried

6.7 2020 Treasurer's Statement on Development Charges

Res. # 2021-212 Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the 2020 Treasurer's Statement on Development Charges be received by Council for information purposes and that a copy be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing upon request.

Carried

6.8 Request for Tender 2021-17, Wallace Road Sewage Pumping Station, Sanitary Sewer and Forcemain

Councillor Maroosis declared a conflict on this item "as my sonin-law is an employee of Kenalex and although they did not receive this contract they are listed as one of the bidders."

Res. # 2021-213 Moved by Councillor Mayne

Seconded by Councillor King

That City Council:

- 1. approve the award of a contract to Canor Construction Inc. in the amount of \$2,663,525.85 (plus HST), for the construction of the Wallace Road sewage pumping station, sanitary sewer and forcemain; and
- 2. approve an increase in J.L. Richards & Associates Limited engineering fee for work completed during tendering and engineering fees for construction assistance by \$85,000.00 (plus HST).

Carried

6.9 Request for Quote 2021-44, Lake Heights Road Storm Sewer Pipe

Res. # 2021-214

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That:

- City Council approve the award of a contract to M Con Products Inc. in the amount of \$84,401.94 (plus HST), for the provision of storm sewer pipe required for the Lake Heights Road Project; and
- Council authorize the transfer of funds to the project, as outlined in Report to Council CORP 2021-50 dated May 7, 2021 from Mary-Ann Kotylak and Scott Taggart.

Carried

6.10 2020 Water and Wastewater Year-End Financial Report

Res. # 2021-215

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That:

- the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to complete the 2020 reserve transfers, as outlined in Appendix "A" attached to Report to Council CORP 2021-33 dated April 27, 2021 from Laura Boissonneault; and
- 2. the City of North Bay's 2020 Year-End Water and Wastewater Financial Report be received and filed.

6.11 Amendment to the On-Street Parking By-Law No. 2014-37, Main Street West - West Link Bicycle Lanes

Res. # 2021-216

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That Council authorize an amendment to By-Law No. 2014-37, the On-Street Parking By-Law, to update Schedule 4 (No Parking-Any Time) and Schedule 6 (Maximum Parking Times), as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-55 dated May 6, 2021 from Adam Lacombe and Ron Melnyk.

Carried

6.12 Request for Tender 2021-33, Capital Asphalt Resurfacing 2021

Res. # 2021-217

Moved by Councillor Mayne Seconded by Councillor King

That:

- 1. City Council approve the award of a contract to Pioneer Construction Inc. in the amount of \$3,272,084.96 (plus HST), for the 2021 Asphalt Resurfacing Program; and
- Council authorize the transfer of funds to the project, as outlined in Report to Council CORP 2021-47 dated May 7, 2021 from Mary-Ann Kotylak and Reid Porter.

Carried

6.13 Community Safety and Well-Being Update

Councillor T. Vrebosch declared a conflict on this item "as my employer are the ones that were asked to create the report."

Res. # 2021-218

Moved by Councillor Brousseau Seconded by Councillor Robertson

That City Council refer Report to Council CSBU 2021-25 dated May 4, 2021 from Ian Kilgour re "Community Safety and Well-Being Plan – City of North Bay (Plan Interim Update Report)" to the Community Services Committee.

Carried

6.14 Capital Variance as at December 31, 2020

Res. # 2021-219 Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch That Council:

- receive the Capital Variance report as at December 31, 2020, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-27 dated April 30, 2021 from Monique Seguin-Russell; and
- 2. authorize the reserve transfers and budget adjustments, as detailed in Report to Council CORP 2021-27, inclusive of Appendix "A", "B" and "C".

Carried

6.15 2020 General Year-End Financial Report

Res. # 2021-220

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That:

- the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to complete the 2020 reserve transfers, as outlined in Appendix "A" attached to Report to Council CORP 2021-32 dated April 27, 2021 from Laura Boissonneault; and
- 2. the City of North Bay's 2020 Year-End General Variance report be received and filed.

Carried

6.16 Summary of Open and Active Capital Projects as at December 31, 2020

Mayor Al McDonald declared a conflict on this item "as I own land in the area of one of the Capital Projects on Cedar Heights."

Res. # 2021-221

Moved by Councillor B. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor Bain

That Council receive the Summary of Open and Active Capital Projects, as at December 31, 2020, as set out in Report to Council CORP 2021-28 dated April 30, 2021 from the Chief Financial Officer.

Carried

7. By-Laws for Consideration

Res. # 2021-222

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2021-23 to provide for the levy and collection of special charges in respect of certain Business Improvement Areas.

Res. # 2021-223

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the following by-law be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2021-23 to provide for the levy and collection of special charges in respect of certain Business Improvement Areas.

Carried

Res. # 2021-224

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2021-49 to establish a system of Accessible Parking and to regulate Accessible Parking On-Street and Off-Street.

Carried

Res. # 2021-225

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the following by-law be read the third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2021-49 to establish a system of Accessible Parking and to regulate Accessible Parking On-Street and Off-Street.

Carried

Res. # 2021-226

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the following by-laws be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2021-50 to set 2021 tax ratios for prescribed property classes.

By-Law No. 2021-51 to set 2021 tax rates and to levy taxes for the year 2021.

Carried

Res. # 2021-227

Moved by Councillor T. Vrebosch Seconded by Councillor B. Vrebosch

That the following by-laws be read a third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2021-50 to set 2021 tax ratios for prescribed property classes.

By-Law No. 2021-51 to set 2021 tax rates and to levy taxes for the year 2021.

8. Motions

8.1 Rent Arrears

Councillor T. Vrebosch declared a conflict on this item "as this is a core business of my employer."

Res. # 2021-228

Moved by Councillor Maroosis Seconded by Councillor King

Whereas the Near North Landlords Association (NNLA) surveyed its members and found that 11.7%, or 492 people, of its member's housing stock are facing eviction due to rent arrears; when this modest percentage is applied across the total number of units in all the private rental housing stock across Nipissing District, it is estimated that 600 units are in arrears with the possibility that up to 1100 people are at imminent risk of eviction;

And Whereas the NNLA has formed a partnership to find a solution to address the rent arrears issue, a proposed program for qualifying tenants was developed; this would include a negotiated repayment plan that would see the landlord forgive 1/3 of the arrears, the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) to fund 1/3, and the final 1/3 would be paid by the tenant; program eligibility will also include ongoing monitoring of the landlord and tenant relationship to ensure housing is retained;

And Whereas the DNSSAB would use Federal and/or Provincial Funding Programs to finance their share.

Therefore Be it Resolved that the Council of the City of North Bay lobby the Federal and Provincial Governments to finance this program to avert an additional major homelessness crisis.

And Further that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Anthony Rota MP Nipissing-Temiskaming; the Honourable Marc G. Serré, MP Nickel Belt; the Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development; the Honourable Victor Fedeli, MPP Nipissing; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; all Municipalities in the District of Nipissing; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, and the District of Nipissing Homelessness and Housing Partnership.

Carried

9. In-Camera Correspondence

10. Giving Notice (Notice of Motion)

11. Confirmatory By-Law

Res. # 2021-229

Moved by Councillor Brousseau Seconded by Councillor Robertson

That the following by-law be read a first and second time:

By-Law No. 2021-48 to confirm proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 18, 2021.

Carried

Res. # 2021-230

Moved by Councillor Brousseau Seconded by Councillor Robertson

That the following by-law be read and third time and passed:

By-Law No. 2021-48 to confirm proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 18, 2021.

Carried

12. Adjournment

Res. # 2021-231

Moved by Councillor Mendicino Seconded by Councillor Maroosis

That this Regular Meeting of Council do now adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Carried

Mayor Allan McDonald

City Clerk Karen McIsaac