

**THE CORPORATION OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF SIOUX NARROWS - NESTOR FALLS**

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, April 16th, 2019, in the Nestor Falls Council Chambers. A quorum of Council was present and this was a duly authorized meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls.

Resolution No. 45-19

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Phil Hudson

That the Mayor now calls this meeting to order to deal with matters pertaining to general.

Carried

Resolution No. 46-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Phil Hudson

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the April 16th, 2019, Council meeting.

Carried

Disclosure of Interest – Mayor Dufresne declared a conflict of interest with the fire department section of the municipal budget due to a family member being a member of the department.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 47-19

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Gale Black

That the minutes of the April 2nd, 2019, regular open Council Meeting be adopted as read and published.

Carried

Correspondence – None.

Disbursements – None.

By-Laws

Resolution No. 48-19

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Andrew Nisly

That the by-law to set tax ratios for municipal purposes for the year 2019, having been read a first time, and deemed read a second and third time, passes the by-law as read.

Carried

By-Laws (cont.)

Resolution No. 49-19

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Phil Hudson

That the by-law to adopt the estimates of all sums required during the year and to set and levy the rates of taxation and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2019, having been read a first time, and deemed read a second and third time, passes the by-law as read.

Carried

Mayor Dufresne reported that the 2019 budget has a 2% increase.

Reports from Committees

G. Black – reported that there will be an All Nations Health Care Committee meeting on April 18th, in Kenora. Also, the first Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls Community Safety & Well-Being Planning Committee had their first meeting April 3rd. Councillor Black asked W. Kabel, CAO, to give a brief explanation. W. Kabel described that legislative amendments to the current *Police Services Act* now mandate municipalities to prepare and adopt a plan. The revisions to the Act came into force January 1, 2019. Under the Act, Community Safety and Well-Being Plans are required to be adopted no later than two years from Jan. 1, 2019. The Act outlines requirements for an advisory committee, composition, consultation, establishing priority risks, etc. Our committee is comprised of W. Kabel and G. Black from the Township, H. Chant from the Northwestern Health Unit, K. Rustige and R. Bernie from the Ontario Provincial Police, K. Tittlemier of the Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls Police Services Board and C. Linton, Teacher. The committee will be doing public consultation starting this summer to find out what the community's concerns are regarding safety and wellness.

P. Hudson – stated that there will be an Emergency Management Community Control Group meeting in Nestor Falls, April 17th, 2019.

N. Dufresne – reported that in addition to the Emergency Management meeting that he will also be attending a Kenora District Services Board meeting April 18th, 2019, and he will be attending the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association Annual General Meeting next week.

Old Business – None.

New Business

Resolution No. 50-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Gale Black

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls hereby accept the 2018 Audited Financial Statements, as presented by MNP.

Carried

Discussed that we have an exception regarding landfill closure and post closure costs, as the new Public Account Standards requires estimated costs to be included. As we haven't yet had an estimate prepared, it is noted as an exception in our statements. As well, we had a surplus in 2018 that we have put into reserves.

Delegations

J. Swenson – asked if council has made a decision about their request for the township to sell fishing licenses out of the information centres. Mayor Dufresne indicated that council has not and that they are also waiting for more information about the general framework from Council Rydberg who is currently away.

J. O’Leary – asked for an update on capital items in the 2019 budget. Mayor Dufresne indicated that some accessibility and health and safety changes are included in the budget for the Municipal office. As well as our regular road program. General discussion ensued.

J. O’Leary – indicated that he will report back to council on a regular basis, as he is our Board representative for the Northwestern Health Unit. He noted that the dates of his upcoming meetings are April 25th, 30th and May 1st.

J. Swenson – asked if the municipality is budgeting funds towards the Station 2 Fire Boat that the Fire Rescue Service is fundraising for. Mayor Dufresne indicated that the Township has budgeted funds towards the Fire Department Capital Account, and while the boat is not specified, it doesn’t mean that funds cannot be dedicated toward this initiative. There are number of large capital items on the list for acquisition/replacement in the near future, including pumpers/trucks.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 51-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Phil Hudson

That the business of the meeting having been dealt with, a motion for adjournment is so made.

Carried

Members Present

N. Dufresne

G. Black

P. Hudson

A. Nisly

Mayor

Clerk