

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

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, April 2nd, 2019, in the Sioux Narrows 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. 39-19

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Matt Rydberg

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

Carried

Resolution No. 40-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Matt Rydberg

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the April 2nd, 2019, Council meeting.

Carried

Disclosure of Interest – None.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 41-19

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Phil Hudson

That the minutes of the March 19th, 2019, regular open Council Meeting be adopted as read and published.

Carried

Correspondence – None.

Disbursements

Resolution No. 42-19

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Andrew Nisly

That the March 2019 Disbursements, having been checked and found that all accounts are in order, passes same for payment in the amount of \$547,819.18.

Carried

By-Laws – None.

Reports from Committees

M. Rydberg – reported that the next Sioux Narrows Recreation Committee meeting will be April 3rd, 2019.

Reports from Committees (cont.)

N. Dufresne – reported that he and our CAO, W. Kabel, attended a Mayors and Municipal Officials meeting with our Member of Parliament, B. Nault, and the Federal Minister of Infrastructure, F. Champagne, in Kenora, March 29th, 2019. It was a roundtable discussion regarding the infrastructure needs of Kenora District municipalities, as well as the various funding programs that are currently available and possible in the future. The general sentiment is that many of the needs in the Kenora District do not meet the rigid eligibility requirements of the available funding programs. The Minister thanked us for our feedback and accepted any written presentations that were provided by the municipalities. We did provide him with a written proposal of our priority projects. Immediately afterward, we were invited to meet with our Member of Provincial Parliament, G. Rickford, who discussed the provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, S. Clark's, recent announcement to small and rural municipalities in Ontario of a one-time payment in 2019 to assist municipalities in their efforts to become more efficient and reduce expenditure growth in the future.

Old Business – None.

New Business

Resolution No. 43-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Gale Black

Whereas Zone 9, as defined by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, comprises a large geographical area; and

Whereas it is difficult for one person to effectively represent all of the municipalities in Zone 9 given its size;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls hereby requests that Zone 9 be divided into two different geographical zones; one for Northwestern Ontario and one for Northeastern Ontario; and

Further, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and Zone 9 Municipalities.

Carried

Delegations

J. Swenson & T. Gill – discussed difficulties with the new fishing license vendor procedures and that there is currently only one place in Sioux Narrows, aside from some of the camps, where people can buy fishing licenses [The Trading Post]. They feel that the Sportfishing Centre would be a great place. Discussion ensued regarding the process under the new regulations, as well as the challenges. Council thanked them for their ideas.

J. Swenson – asked why that the floating artist-in-residence studio couldn't be installed at the Pioneer Park property instead of the Government Dock Bay. Clarification was provided; it makes more sense to have it located in the hub of the community, close to the services of downtown, as well as the convenience of the municipal supports available at our Sportfishing Centre, which has washrooms, telephone and internet service. As well, the idea is also to foster relationships with the local arts community in Sioux Narrows and in the central, downtown location is a better way to do this. Further, it will not interfere with any future plans to expand docking in the bay.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 44-19

Moved by Matt Rydberg

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

M. Rydberg

Mayor

Clerk