

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

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021, at the Sioux Narrows Community Hall. 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. 99-21

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Steve Salvador

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

Carried

Resolution No. 100-21

Moved by Steve Salvador

Seconded by Gale Black

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the August 3rd, 2021, Council meeting.

Carried

Disclosure of Interest – None.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 101-21

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Steve Salvador

That the minutes of the July 20th, 2021, regular open council meeting be adopted as read and published.

Carried

Correspondence – None.

Disbursements

Resolution No. 102-21

Moved by Steve Salvador

Seconded by Gale Black

That the July 2021 Disbursements, having been checked and found that all accounts are in order, passes same for payment in the amount of \$392,544.52.

Carried

By-Laws

Resolution No. 103-21

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Steve Salvador

That the by-law to prescribe the form, manner and times for the provision of notice under the Municipal Act, having been read a first time, and deemed read a second and third time, passes the by-law as read.

Carried

Reports from Committees – None.

Old Business – None.

New Business

Resolution No. 104-21

Moved by Steve Salvador

Seconded by Gale Black

That Mike Gate be hired for the position of Maintenance Assistant.

Carried

Resolution No. 105-21

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Steve Salvador

That Council hereby authorizes the placement of the order for the Fort Garry 1700 gallon pumper tanker by Purchase Order (payment in 2022), as specified in proposal 31203-01.

Carried

Resolution No. 106-21

Moved by Steve Salvador

Seconded by Gale Black

WHEREAS 2021 weather conditions in the Rainy River District have included late hard frosts and drought, conditions which are exacerbated by higher than normal numbers of grasshoppers and grass-eating insects, all of which impact growing season and yield; and

WHEREAS due to the current drought conditions in the District, animal fodder is drying up and withering, or is being eaten away, to the extent that the volume of fodder available to livestock consumption is down to 25% of normal annual quantities; and

WHEREAS due to the 2021 impacts, area farmers are faced with having to sell off 50% or more of their breeding livestock; and

WHEREAS both Canadian and U.S. drought mapping clearly show the Rainy River District and the surrounding area of Northwestern Ontario to be at the same levels of drought as areas in Southern Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre has recognized regions and counties in Southern Ontario as being impacted by drought but indicates no impact for any part of Northwestern Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls hereby supports the Township of Alberton's calls to the Province of Ontario and the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to forthwith:

- 1) Designate the Rainy River District as an area impacted by drought;
- 2) Declare an agriculture state of emergency within it; and,
- 3) Implement recovery assistance program support for the agricultural sector.

FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, MPP Greg Rickford and MP Eric Melillo.

Carried

Delegations – None.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 107-21

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Steve Salvador

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

Carried

Members Present

N. Dufresne

G. Black

S. Salvador

Mayor

Clerk