

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

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, February 19th, 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. 20-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Gale Black

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

Carried

Resolution No. 21-19

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Phil Hudson

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the February 19th, 2019, Council meeting.

Carried

Disclosure of Interest – None.

Delegations – None.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 22-19

Moved by Andrew Nisly

Seconded by Matt Rydberg

That the minutes of the February 5th, 2019, regular open Council Meeting be adopted as read and published.

Carried

Correspondence – None.

Disbursements – None.

By-Laws – None.

Reports from Committees

P. Hudson – Fire Rescue Services Report – the Chief is currently reviewing, with assistance from the Ontario Fire Marshall's Office, our Fire Department Establishing by-law and auto/mutual aid by-laws, to update them as required. The Operating Guidelines are also being reviewed and any gaps are being filled before final implementation. He is looking into having a Display Fireworks course to certify more department members. Our Action Training Online System is up and running. Currently eleven of our members are signed on and working through Fire Fighter I. One of our members has already completed this module and the related quizzes. Lesson plans for training nights with practical skill assessments are in progress. The Department hosted the Spaghetti Dinner during the Sioux Narrows Winter Carnival on Saturday, February 16th, 2019. They raised \$1,175 for the Station 2 Fire Boat Fund. They held a live burn training session on Monday, February 18th, 2019. Fourteen department personnel were in attendance. It was a valuable learning experience. They are purchasing two thermal imaging units for their breathing apparatuses. They are currently on special at a significant savings, but he did budget for these.

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Discussion ensued regarding what the thermal imaging devices do. The Chief indicated that they take the guess work out of finding hot spots and make the process safer. They are also identified in our standard operating procedures.

M. Rydberg – reported that he doesn't have a formal report for the Sioux Narrows Recreation Committee's Winter Carnival, February 15th-16th, 2019, but it was a fun and well-attended event.

G. Black – reported that the next All Nations Hospital committee meeting will be tomorrow, February 20th, 2019, in Kenora. The itinerary includes a follow-up to their visioning session as well as a regular meeting.

N. Dufresne – reported that he attended the Sioux Narrows Winter Carnival's spaghetti dinner. There was a good turnout and it was a nice event. Gave report of the most recent Police Services Board meeting that was earlier today, February 19th, 2019. The OPP presented the last quarter of 2018 statistical report. In summary, crime was down over all in Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls. Legislative amendments to the current Police Services Act now mandate municipalities to prepare and adopt Community Safety and Well-Being Plans. The revisions to the Act came into force January 1, 2019. Under the Act, Plans are required to be adopted no later than two years from then. The Act outlines requirements for an advisory committee, consultation and establishing priority risks. The Board and Municipality have already begun working on the plan. The Board also discussed policing costs, which are an ongoing concern. The exact costs for the 2019 contract are not yet available to us. Gave report of the most recent Kenora District Services Board meeting he attended, at which the 2019 budget was passed. Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls' KDSB levy will increase 0.35%. He also attended a Kenora District Municipal Association executive meeting. Reported that Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls Corporate Strategic Planning is well underway. Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding, a provincial general assistance grant to municipalities, remains stable in 2019 despite indications that it could be drastically reduced in the future. General discussion ensued regarding policing, the grant program for the Community Safety Officer position, the Community Safety Officer position, general policing costs, fire department mutual aid and general fire department services.

Old Business – None.

New Business – None.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 23-19

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Matt Rydberg

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