

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

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, May 16th, 2017, 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. 56-17

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. 57-17

Moved by Norbert Dufresne

Seconded by Suzanne Bouvier

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the May 16th, 2017, Council meeting.

Carried

Disclosure of Interest – None.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 58-17

Moved by Suzanne Bouvier

Seconded by Gale Black

That the minutes of the May 2nd, 2017, regular open Council meeting be adopted as read and published.

Carried

Correspondence – None.

Disbursements – None.

By-Laws

Resolution No. 59-17

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Norbert Dufresne

That the By-law to temporarily amend the Township of Sioux Narrow – Nestor Falls' Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 279, as amended, 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. 60-17

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Suzanne Bouvier

That the By-law to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls to enter into a 1,000 Officers Partnership Program Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, having been read a first time, and deemed read a second and third time, passes the by-law as read.

Carried

Mayor O'Leary indicated that this may be the last year for this grant program which subsidizes the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police's Community Safety Officer position. Discussion ensued regarding the changes to the 1,000 Officers grant framework.

Reports from Committees

S. Bouvier – Fire Rescue Services – reported that there was a brush fire callout last week, just south of Nestor Falls. The fire was contained. MNR also attended. Our two pumper trucks were tested last week. The new SCBA (breathing apparatuses) have been received and work very well. The Sioux Narrows Recreation Committee's Spring Barbeque, held May 13th, 2017, was a great success. Everyone was very pleased with the interior renovations to the Community Hall. The Committee received many generous donations.

J. O'Leary – gave report of the Kenora Chief's Advisory meeting that he attended May 8th, 2017, regarding the Kenora area health care initiative. He also attended a Kenora Area Health Care Working Group meeting May 12th, 2017, regarding same. Stated that there appears to be some debate over who is leading the cause and what direction to take. He feels that there is a need for both groups to get together to determine a collaborative approach. Reported that the Police Services Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 23rd, 2017, is rescheduled to Tuesday, May 30th, 2017. Discussion ensued regarding the Kenora District Services Board's housing and homelessness initiatives.

Old Business – None.

New Business – None.

Delegations

L. Helliar – complimented the Township on the new sign at the Falls in Nestor Falls. Looks wonderful and is easy to read. Asked if something could be done about the brush near the Musky Bay Hill lookout. He understands that this is not municipal, but he spoke with MTO and didn't get any result. Perhaps if the Township could try speaking with MTO, we would get a better response. It's a beautiful lookout, but it is getting harder to see with the brush. J. O'Leary indicated that we can send a letter, but is unsure that we would be received any more favourably by MTO.

T. McCleary – introduced herself. She and her husband own Arrowhead Camp. She feels that the community should have a by-law regarding dogs running at large, licensing and a requirement for rabies/vaccinations. Discussion ensued regarding incidents of both strays and neighbourhood dogs entering her property and appearing threatening. Council indicated that they are sympathetic. They recounted past by-laws, that were rescinded, as we don't have an enforcement officer to respond to calls, despite attempts to recruit one, nor do we have a containment facility to hold animals. As well, those owners who would comply with a by-law

Delegations (cont)

are not those same owners with trouble animals. If a dog enters a property, is threatening and one's personal safety feels at risk, the OPP can be called. The OPP don't handle general stray or wandering dog calls, but personal safety threats are valid calls. As well, for strays, there is an agency in Kenora that residents can call, It's a Dog's Life, that the Township donates to every year, who will assist with and pick up, if necessary, stray and homeless dogs.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 61-17

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Norbert Dufresne

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

Carried

Members Present

J. O'Leary

G. Black

P. Hudson

S. Bouvier

N. Dufresne

Mayor

Clerk