

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

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, October 17th, 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. 123-17

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. 124-17

Moved by Phil Hudson

Seconded by Norbert Dufresne

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the October 17th, 2017, Council meeting.

Carried.

Disclosure of Interest – None.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 125-17

Moved by Norbert Dufresne

Seconded by Gale Black

That the minutes of the October 3rd, 2017, regular open Council Meeting be adopted as read and published.

Carried

Delegations –

Woody Linton from the Lake of the Woods Amateur Radio Club attended. He informed Council that the ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) radio repeater located on top of the Bell Canada Tower at Sioux Narrows was used by the club in the work they do monitoring emergency incidents. Such a system has been used to help with communication during some of the most recent large emergencies, such as the Hurricane in Puerto Rico, the BC wildfires, the California wildfires, the Boston Marathon bombing, Hurricane Katrina just to name a few. He informed Council that their club has been funding the annual cost (through membership dues) of having the repeater on the Bell Tower. However, they have recently been informed by Bell Canada that due to restructuring, the annual fees will be increasing. The annual fee will be approximately \$452.00. The club is requesting assistance of Council to cover 50% of this cost out of the Emergency Management Budget. Mayor O'Leary said he felt comfortable considering this commitment, but only for the duration of the current council. Councillor Black said she does not have a problem including it in the annual EMO budget. Councillor Dufresne said he feels the cost is minimal. Mayor O'Leary suggested that Council should fund 50% of the 2018 cost (which would be \$226.00 in 2018). A resolution will be prepared for passing at the next Council meeting.

Correspondence - none

Disbursements -none

By-Laws – none

Reports from Committees

P.Hudson – reported that the Nestor Falls Rec Committee will be putting on a Halloween Dance at the Nestor Falls Community Hall on October 28th, 2017.

N.Dufresne- reported he attended the DSSAB Governance & Accountability Review on October 12th in Dryden. Some of the topics being reviewed were Board compositions, term dates, access to financing, apportionment. He reported that most attendees were surprised and disappointed that they would not be discussing or reviewing the funding model – only accountability and transparency. Of the 13 board members in the Kenora area, 4 are from the unincorporated areas and 9 are from municipalities. Also discussions on DSSAB's ability to borrow money.

He also reported that the Pad and anchors for the LAV vehicle at Veteran's Park is completed. Woody Linton is working on logistics for the LAV delivery to the site.

He also reported that the large dozer at the NF Landfill needs battery replacement. The small dozer also needs a hydraulic hose replace. The dozer at the SN Landfill needs work done on the tracks. Mike Salvador is arranging all the work to be done immediately.

He also reported that a review of the Dirty Water Pit indicated that there were some trees that needed to be removed as well as some soil remediation. Mike will also oversee all of this work. A new steamer for culverts will be purchased before winter sets in. The new water line for the SN Rink has been installed. Mike has asked Clint Brown to do the levelling work at the NF Skating Rink. Clint has given a quote for the work. This particular work will be funded out of the donated funds. Any excess funds will be offered to the Parent Council to decide how to spend. He also reported that weather dependent Mike will also get as much work done on the septic field at the White Moose Golf Course as is possible.

J.O'Leary-reported that he also attended the DSSAB Governance & Accountability Review in Dryden, but as a Board member. He felt it was very limited in scope. Every year the Provincial Government talk about uploading. There is no transparency and there is an allowance for Boards to determine their makeup. At the moment the Board uses populations rather than dollar contributions to determine their makeup. SNNF makes up 6% of the municipal share of costs, but population is lower than most.

He reported that a committee will be formed to look at the rules and operation of White Moose Golf Course. Best practices will be the goal of the Committee. So far 4 volunteers have signed up and the first meeting will take place next week. Council will receive recommendations from the committee and it will be up to Council to act.

G.Black- reported that she will be attending the Library Board meeting on Sunday, October 22nd.

Old Business –

Resolution 126-17

Moved by Norbert Dufresne

Seconded by Phil Hudson

WHEREAS the residents of the subdivision have previously constructed docks and waterfront structures on said municipally owned Blocks A & C without authorization or approval from the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls, and;

WHEREAS public meetings were held with the residents of the Lakeview Terrace subdivision on August 9, 2017, and September 25, 2017 to discuss the process for municipal authorization of docks and structures on said Blocks of land,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls hereby directs the residents of the Lakeview Terrace subdivision to submit a proposal for the construction and maintenance of docks on said Blocks to the Township under such terms and conditions as the Township deems appropriate, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls will consider the issuance of a land use permit, or other form of tenure, if the Township deems the proposal submitted by the residents of the Lakeview Terrace subdivision to be acceptable to Council.

Carried

New Business- none

Adjournment

Resolution No. 127-17

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Phil Hudson

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

N.Dufresne

P. Hudson

Mayor

Clerk