



Town of Petawawa
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes
March 4, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Gary Serviss
Deputy Mayor Theresa Sabourin
Councillor James Carmody
Councillor Lisa Coutu
Councillor Karen Donovan
Councillor Adam Driscoll
Councillor Murray Rutz

Also Present:

Scott Randolph, CAO
Colin Howard, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
Chris Mantha, Director of Public Works
Mary McCaw, Director of Community Services
Dawn Recoskie, Public Works and Fire Services Coordinator
Stephan Neufeld, Detachment Commander, UOV OPP Detachment
Carmen Gould, Regional Development Advisor, Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport
Chico Traclet
Dan Whitman
Gary Taylor
Brent Daechsel
Jack Lapierre
Jason Charet
Chad Oekle
Colton Kyle
Emma Butler, myFM

Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

The land acknowledgement was read.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Mayor Serviss asked those in attendance to stand for a moment of silent reflection.

Approval of Agenda

Resolution #1

Moved by Murray Rutz

Seconded by Adam Driscoll

That the agenda for the March 4, 2024 regular meeting of Council be adopted.

Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Approval of Minutes

1. Council Meeting (February 20, 2024)

Resolution #2

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Karen Donovan

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held February 20, 2024 be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

Presentations

There were no presentations.

By-laws

There were no by-laws.

Correspondence

1. Letter of Support Town of Arnprior, Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (MHSRC)

Resolution #3

Moved by James Carmody

Seconded by Murray Rutz

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa supports the resolution received from the Town of Arnprior and their support for the Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (MHSRC) Hoarding Program and its benefits to all residents within the County of Renfrew.

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa encourages the Pembroke Regional Hospital to continue to fund well into the future this valuable program.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Pembroke Regional Hospital, all local municipalities, and the County of Renfrew in support of the MHSRC Hoarding Program.

Carried

2. Letter from Algonquins of Pikwakanagan – Opportunity to Expand and Enhance the Approach to Land Acknowledgements

Resolution #4

Moved by Karen Donovan

Seconded by Adam Driscoll

That the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa acknowledges the 2015 Truth and Reconciliation Commissions 94 Calls for Action and approves expanding the use of the Land Acknowledgement at our regular meetings to include rotating these calls as part of the enhanced Land Acknowledgement.

Carried

Minutes

1. Council-In-Committee Meeting (February 26, 2024)

Resolution #5

Moved by Murray Rutz

Seconded by Lisa Coutu

That the minutes of the Council-In-Committee meeting held on February 26, 2024, be accepted by Council, and that resolutions from that Committee become resolutions of Council.

Carried

2. Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting (November 23, 2023)

Councillor Karen Donovan provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Resolution #6

Moved by Karen Donovan

Seconded by Theresa Sabourin

That the minutes of the Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on November 23, 2023, be adopted as information.

Carried

3. Petawawa Public Library Board Meetings (December 18,2023 and January 22, 2024)

Councillor James Carmody provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Public Library Board.

Resolution #7

Moved by Lisa Coutu

Seconded by James Carmody

That the minutes of the Petawawa Public Library Board meetings held on December 18, 2023 and January 22, 2024, be adopted as information.

Carried

4. Petawawa Business Advisory Network Meeting (January 16, 2024)

Councillor Murray Rutz provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Business Advisory Network.

Resolution #8

Moved by Murray Rutz

Seconded by Karen Donovan

That the minutes of the Petawawa Business Advisory Network meeting held on January 16, 2024, be adopted as information.

Carried

5. Petawawa Police Services Board Meeting (January 23, 2024)

Councillor James Carmody provided an overview of the recent activities of the Petawawa Police Services Board.

Resolution #9

Moved by James Carmody

Seconded by Lisa Coutu

That the minutes of the Petawawa Police Services Board meeting held on January 23, 2024, be adopted as information.

Carried

Staff Reports

1. PW-03-2024 – Off-Road Vehicle By-law 1597/23 – Phase 1 Review

Chris Mantha, Director of Public Works, provided an overview of the report.

Resolution #10

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Murray Rutz

That Council directs staff to complete a field review of the Town's road network in Phase 2 to establish a baseline for comparative purposes and to identify and

mitigate any hazards and also schedule an open house or a resident survey through general mail by the end of April.

Carried

Councillor Reports

Deputy Mayor Sabourin reported she attended a Petawawa Housing Corporation meeting on February 22, 2024, the Petawawa Legion public speaking contest on February 24, 2024, the Grand Opening of Thai Valley restaurant on March 1, 2024, and participated in the Staff Appreciation Day on March 1, 2024,

Councillor James Carmody reported he Chaired a Petawawa Police Services Board meeting on February 21, 2024 and a Petawawa Public Library Board meeting on February 26, 2024. Councillor Carmody also reported he attended a County of Renfrew Short-Term Accommodations meeting arranged by the Township of Laurentian Valley in February and he also took part in the Staff Appreciation Day and he attended the Grand Opening of Thai Valley.

Councillor Lisa Coutu reported she attended a Petawawa Public Library meeting on February 26, 2024, the Staff Appreciation Day on March 1, 2024, and she participated in Cultural Awareness training on March 4, 2024.

Councillor Adam Driscoll reported he attended a kick-off meeting for the upcoming Water and Dirt Festival on February 15, 2024 and later the same day attended a Pembroke and Area Airport meeting.

Councillor Karen Donovan reported she attended a Petawawa Housing Corporation meeting on February 22, 2024, a Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting on February 22, 2024, and she represented the Town for the Coldest Night of the Year walking event on February 24, 2024. Councillor Donovan also reported she attended an open house Chamber of Commerce meeting on February 26, 2024, the Staff Appreciation Day on March 1, 2024 and the Grand Opening of Thai Valley restaurant.

Councillor Murray Rutz reported he attended the Staff Appreciation Day on March 1, 2024, and took part in various events on the final weekend of Cabin Fever.

Mayor Gary Serviss thanks Councillor Donovan, Councillor Carmody and Councillor Coutu for attending various meetings and events while he was away in February. Mayor Serviss reported he participated in Cabin Fever events such as the Petawawa Presbyterian Church breakfast, the OSPCA Polar Bear Plunge and on March 1, 2024 the Adult Trivia Night as well as the announcement of the 2024 Petawawa Sports and Entertainment Hall of Fame inductees. Mayor Serviss also reported he attended the Staff Appreciation Day on March 1, 2024 and the Grand Opening of Thai Valley restaurant. Mayor Serviss delivered his summarized monthly County Council report highlighting recent staffing changing and the approval of Murphy Road reconstruction.

Closed Meeting

Resolution #11

Moved by Adam Driscoll

Seconded by Murray Rutz

That the meeting be closed pursuant to Section 239 (2) (k) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, to discuss a position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board regarding the Senior Active Living Centre.

Carried

Council went into closed session at 7:52 p.m.

Council reconvened to open session at 9:31 p.m.

Business Arising From Closed Session

A closed meeting was held. Council provided direction to staff regarding the continued funding of the Silver Threads Senior Centre. There is nothing further to report at this time.

Confirming By-law

Resolution #12

Moved by Theresa Sabourin

Seconded by Lisa Coutu

That By-law 1637/24 be read a first, second and third time and passed.

Carried

Adjournment

Resolution #13

Moved by Adam Driscoll

Seconded by Karen Donovan

That the meeting adjourn to the call of the Deputy Mayor.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Signature of the Mayor (Original Signed)

Signature of the Clerk (Original Signed)