

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan was held at the Magnetawan Community Centre on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Council members present: Mayor Sam Dunnett; Councillors Tim Brunton, Jack Crossman, Charlie Gray, and John Hetherington.

Staff in attendance: Clerk-Administrator (C-A), Andrew Farnsworth; Public Works Superintendent (PWS), Bruce Hill; Chief Building Official (CBO), Brian Horsman; Community Development Officer Intern, Courtney Rizzo.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the Municipal website and at the Municipal Office.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION 2016-309

Moved by Councillor Hetherington; Seconded by Councillor Crossman:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts the agenda for this regular Council meeting of Wednesday, October 12, 2016. (Carried)

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None disclosed.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2016-310

Moved by Councillor Gray; Seconded by Councillor Hetherington:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts the minutes of the regular Council meeting of Wednesday, September 27, 2016, and the special Council meeting of Monday, October 3, 2016. (Carried)

5. PUBLIC MEETING PURSUANT TO THE PLANNING ACT

None.

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1. Abundant Solar: request for municipal support resolution

Rob Hitchcock from Abundant Solar discussed a FIT 5 solar project in Magnetawan and sought Council support. Council provided a support resolution at the end of the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2016-320

Moved by Councillor Hetherington; Seconded by Councillor Gray:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan supports the Abundant Solar application to the IESO for a Non-Rooftop Solar PV Project on PIN 52082-0029 as detailed in the attached IESO documents. (Carried)

6.2. Courtney Rizzo, Willy Hollett: presentation of Business Retention and Expansion Report

Willy Hollett, on behalf of the Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce, discussed with Council the Business Retention and Expansion Report and the next steps for partner municipalities. Courtney Rizzo provided Council with a list of highlights from the report that are relevant for Magnetawan

7. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND OFFICIALS

7.1. Public Works Department

7.1.1. Ahmic Lake/Nipissing Roads construction follow up – correspondence from Duncor

RESOLUTION 2016-311

Moved by Councillor Brunton; Seconded by Councillor Gray:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the Treasurer to release the cheque for 2016 road construction to Duncor. (Carried)

7.1.2. Report on grader tires invoice

The PWS left the meeting

7.2. Fire Department

7.2.1. Fire Chief monthly report: no report received

7.2.2. Correspondence from Burk’s Falls re. Regional Fire Services Committee

Council directed the C-A inform the member municipalities of the RFSC that Magnetawan will wait for the outcome of the Burk’s Falls/Armour/Ryerson shared services negotiations prior to participating in further discussions at the regional level. Council will continue to honour the automatic aid agreement.

7.3. Property Standards Officer: discussion of Building Code Act and Committee procedure

Council directed the C-A to call a meeting of the Property Standards Committee in order to discuss common committee procedure with the Property Standards Officer.

7.4. Economic Development

7.4.1. Intern Report – October 2016

7.4.2. Blue Sky Net – Request for broadband resolution

RESOLUTION 2016-312

Moved by Councillor Crossman; Seconded by Councillor Hetherington:

WHEREAS access to affordable and reliable broadband networks is an important part of everyday life; AND WHEREAS communities outside urban centres face challenges in accessing internet service levels comparable to those in cities due to factors such as remote location and challenging terrain; AND WHEREAS numerous Broadband projects were delayed in 2015 and then cancelled by FedNor in 2016 in favour of waiting for the national Connecting Canadians Broadband funding criteria to be announced; AND WHEREAS many of the cancelled Broadband projects already had committed NOHFC and Internet Service Provider partner funding, and although backbone and institutional connectivity is crucial for a modern digital economy, the last mile opportunity that existed in these projects that have been cancelled is equally as important; AND WHEREAS FedNor’s mandate is to support regional collaboration that will enhance Community economic development, business growth, competitiveness and innovation, and FedNor has developed a strong network of Broadband advocates and local Northern Ontario intelligence; AND WHEREAS access to Broadband is key to economic, education, social and health development; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan requests that the Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development reviews the decision that no longer permits FedNor to fund Broadband initiatives, and that the Broadband projects that have been cancelled all across Northern Ontario, be reinstated and reviewed for potential funding; AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development; Aime Dimatteo, Director General of FEDNor; and Susan Church, Executive Director of Blue Sky Economic Growth Corporation. (Carried)

7.5. Clerk-Administrator’s Report

7.5.1. Orange Valley Road Bridge #8 funding update

7.5.2. AMO Community School Alliance – Membership renewal

RESOLUTION 2016-313

Moved by Councillor Gray; Seconded by Councillor Brunton:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the Clerk-Administrator to renew Magnetawan’s membership in the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Community School Alliance for 2017 in the amount of \$282.50 inclusive of HST. (Carried)

7.5.3. Planning Workshop Report

7.6. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

RESOLUTION 2016-314

Moved by Councillor Hetherington; Seconded by Councillor Gray:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan accepts the following Board and Committee minutes: September 21, 2016 meeting of the Central Almaguin Planning Board; September 30, 2016 meeting of the Magnetawan Community Centre Board; October 3, 2016 meeting of the Joint Economic Development Committee. (Carried)

8. BY-LAWS

8.1. *RESOLUTION 2016-315*

Moved by Councillor Brunton; Seconded by Councillor Crossman:

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts **By-law 2016-37**, being a By-law to enter into a Contribution Agreement with the Province of Ontario for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Formula Component for 2017. (Carried)*

8.2. *RESOLUTION 2016-316*

Moved by Councillor Hetherington; Seconded by Councillor Crossman:

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts **By-law 2016-38**, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at the regular meeting of September 27, 2016 and the special meeting of October 3, 2016. (Carried)*

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. O.P.P.: 2017 Billing statement

9.2. Town of Kearney: Invitation to participate in emergency management exercise

9.3. City of Belleville: resolution re. reduction in Certified Crop Advisors

9.4. The Clerk-Administrator directed Council to the Correspondence Folder, to be viewed at leisure.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

11. ADDENDUM

None.

12. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR PAYMENT APPROVAL

RESOLUTION 2016-317

Moved by Councillor Brunton; Seconded by Councillor Gray:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves for payment the Accounts Payable and Payroll for the period September 16 to September 30, 2016 in the amount of \$487,615.07 (Carried)

13. CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION 2016-318

Moved by Councillor Hetherington; Seconded by Councillor Crossman:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan moves to a closed session at 3:10 P.M., pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, as the subject matter being considered is: (a) litigation or potential litigation (being to discuss potential litigation); (b) acquisition or disposition of land (being to discuss the acquisition of land); and (c) labour relations or employee negotiations (being to discuss employee performance). (Carried)

RESOLUTION 2016-319

Moved by Councillor Gray; Seconded by Councillor Crossman:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan returns to open session at 4:10 P.M. (Carried)

Council directed the C-A and the Deputy Mayor to undertake such matters as discussed in the Closed Session

14. QUESTION PERIOD FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

15. NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 1:00 P.M., Magnetawan Community Centre.

16. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 2016-321

Moved by Councillor Brunton; Seconded by Councillor Hetherington:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adjourns this meeting at 4:11 P.M. (Carried)

Sam Dunnett, Mayor

Date

Andrew Farnsworth, Clerk-Administrator

Date