

Operations Standing Committee
Monday, September 18, 2017 – 3:00 p.m.

Minutes

Present:

Mayor Rennie Harper
Councillor Geoff Stewart
Director of Parks & Recreation Chelsea Corrigan
Program Coordinator Mike Hidlebaugh
Director of Works & Utilities Blaine Crowley
Assistant to the CAO Michele Sorensen

Regrets:

Barry Elliott, CAO
Jeff Hrynkiw, Development Officer/Land Planning Advisor

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: No conflicts were declared at this time.

Approval of Agenda: Harper: THAT the Agenda be approved as amended. Carried

Minutes: Harper: THAT the Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Standing Committee held June 19, 2017 be approved as presented. Carried

Harper: THAT the Minutes of the Works & Utilities Standing Committee held Tuesday, June 20, 2017 be approved as presented. Carried

Parks & Recreation

a) Evergreen Centre Corporation

- i. *Minutes:* Harper: THAT the Minutes of the Nipawin Evergreen Centre Corporation meeting held January 19, 2017 be approved as presented. Carried

b) Family Resource Planning Meeting

A Family Resource Centre Community Input Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 21st. This facilitated discussion is the result of one of the priorities identified at the Nipawin Early Childhood Forum held earlier this year. KidsFirst has taken on a large role in this initiative. Mayor Harper will attend on behalf of Council.

Public Works & Utilities

a) Airport

i. Inter-Municipal Agreement

Discussion was held regarding a draft Inter-Municipal Agreement between the Town of Nipawin and the R.M. of Nipawin, who have agreed to enter into a joint partnership to identify concerns arising at the Airport. Currently the Town owns and operates the Airport, and the R.M. issues building permits for hangars, etc.

The Director of Works & Utilities advised the Committee that the Town leases the land for hangar lots and the hangars are privately-owned.

HARPER: THAT the Airport Inter-Municipal Agreement be tabled. CARRIED

b) *Building Department*

i. *BMO Barrier Free Access Ramp*

Harper: THAT the BMO Barrier Free Access Ramp be tabled. CARRIED

c) *Landfill*

i. *Perennial Ryegrass Screenings*

The Director of Works & Utilities received a request to dispose of approximately 60 metric tonnes (approximately 24 tandem truck loads) of perennial ryegrass screenings at the landfill and expressed concerns such as overheating in the landfill pit.

Although BARWA is in the process of taking over the landfill, the current Permit to Operate the Landfill is still in the name of the Town of Nipawin and there is nothing in the Permit that speaks to accepting or rejecting this type of material. The Committee agreed that this request should be brought to the attention of the BARWA Board.

The Department discussed the possibility of accepting the screenings for compost, however it is a lot of material and could contain a lot of weeds, which is not the best material for compost.

Recommendation: (Harper): THAT Council decline the request from PickSeed to accept Perennial Ryegrass Screenings at the Nipawin Region Landfill. CARRIED

d) *Street Lighting*

Director of Parks & Recreation advised the Committee that Administration have been investigating LED streetlights as there are a number of very dark streets in Town and also as a cost-saving method.

Harper: THAT the Street Lighting be tabled. CARRIED

Other:

a) *Idling Needlessly & Carbon Footprint Request*

The Committee received a request that Nipawin implement a "No idling community".

Recommendation: (Harper) THAT Administration gather further information regarding implementing a "No Idling Community" policy. CARRIED

b) *Traffic Studies*

Earlier this year the Town conducted a study to determine average speed in various areas of the Town. An In-Motion study utilized the results of the study to determine

how busy the Town's active transportation routes are and where they could be redirected in order to create safer routes.

The Committee discussed the traffic lights at the corner of Nipawin Road East and 2nd Avenue East and considered the possibility of moving the lights to 4th Street East and Nipawin Road East.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 16, 2017

Adjourn: (Harper) THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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Councillor Ismael Aliguyon, Chair

Barry Elliott, CAO