



MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – April 13 , 2023 Via: ZOOM

Attending: Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors Bisaillon, Diebolt, Farquhar, Mitchell, Scott and D. Stephens, along with the CAO/Clerk D. Deforge, CBO R. McPherson, eight members of the public and one member of the press.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

093-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND DIEBOLT

That the agenda be approved as presented...carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

094-2023 MOTION: BISAILLON AND SCOTT

That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held on March 23, 2023 be approved...carried.

095-2023 MOTION: D. STEPHENS AND SCOTT

That Council reaffirms the appointment of Zachary Courtemanche for the Municipal Integrity Commissioner and that the Commissioner be instructed to complete a review/update of our current Code of Conduct and further that training on our Code of Conduct obligations be scheduled in the coming months...carried.

096-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND BISAILLON

Whereas, all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace;

Whereas, municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse;

Whereas, several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils;

Whereas, these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and lower public perceptions of local governments;

Whereas, municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of council member behaviour;

Whereas, municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct;

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of Central Manitoulin supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments;

Also be it resolved that the legislation encompass the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

- Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment,
- Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario,
- Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province,
- Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner...carried.

097-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND DIEBOLT

That Council supports the following motion by the Municipality of Chatham-Kent:

"Whereas Chatham-Kent has faced multiple double digit increases to insurance premiums over the past years;

And Whereas the costs on insurance are having a significant impact on municipal budgets in Chatham-Kent and around the Province;

Now Therefore, Council direct administration to engage with other municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and any other relevant municipal associations, to determine what tools may be available to reduce insurance costs, including cooperative purchasing of insurance, creation of a municipal reciprocal insurance provider, or legislative changes to address insurance costs to municipalities.

And administration report back to Council regarding the result of this engagement and any recommended Council resolutions to support improvements to municipal insurance in Ontario.

Further that administration be directed to forward this motion to all other municipalities in Ontario seeking support and collaboration on this issue."...carried.

098-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND SCOTT

That Council donates \$1000.00 to the Manitoulin Secondary School Robotics Team...carried.

099-2023 MOTION: FARQUHAR AND BISAILLON

That the year to date financial report for the Office and Administration Committee ending February 28, 2023 be approved...carried.

100-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND BISAILLON

That Council approves Report No. ROADS 2023-01-01,

AND FURTHER THAT the contract for the scope of work outlined in RFP 02-2023 Townline Bridge no. 10 replacement – Engineering Consulting Services for Design-Bid-Build process be awarded to EXP Services Inc. in the amount of \$139,812.50 + HST,

AND FURTHER By-Law 2023-11 being a bylaw to authorize the CAO/CLERK to enter into a contract with EXP be given its three reading and be duly passed...carried.

101-2023 MOTION: D. STEPHENS AND SCOTT

That the year-to-date financial report for the Road Committee ending March 31, 2023 be approved...carried.

102-2023 MOTION: BISAILLON AND DIEBOLT

That the RFP for the Closure of the Providence Bay Landfill be retendered ...carried.

103-2023 MOTION: D. STEPHENS AND MITCHELL

That Council accepts Report No. WWE 2023-04-01 Update on Blue Box Program Transition to Individual Producer Responsibility;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes staff to notify Circular Materials Ontario that the Municipality does not intend to contract with Circular Materials Ontario for the delivery of the curbside blue box program to eligible sources during the transition year of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes staff to enter into negotiations with Circular Materials Ontario to continue to provide depot collection of blue box materials during the transition year at the Providence Bay site...carried.

104-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND DIEBOLT

That Council accepts Report No. WWE 2023-03-01 Landfill Closure Update – Operational Changes and Fee Structure;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes staff to implement the operational changes at the landfill as of June 1, 2023, as outlined in the report;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes staff to implement a bag-tag program as required by the contract under negotiation with the Dodge Landfill;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the revised fee schedule included in the report;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the temporary suspension of acceptance of large loads (11 cu yds +) of construction and demolition material at the Providence Bay Landfill site as of June 1, 2023...carried.

105-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND BISAILLON

That Council accepts Report No. WWE 2023-02-01 Garbage at Large Events;

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to gather input data from the service groups regarding different options to manage garbage at the large multi-day events held within the municipality...carried.

106-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND SCOTT

That Council approves the year-to-date financial report ending March 31, 2023, for the Water, Waste and Education Committee as presented...carried.

107-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND BISAILLON

That Council appoints Mary-Jo Gordon as a member of the Discovery Centre Board...carried.

108-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND BISAILLON

That Council rebrands the entire Harbour Centre building as the Discovery Centre and discontinues the use of the terms "Harbour Centre" and "Interpretive Centre"...carried.

109-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND BISAILLON

That the Maintenance Department work with the Discovery Centre board to develop and cost new exterior signage on the Discovery Center building for the upcoming summer season including

1. The small signs on the stone,
2. The large signs on the siding...carried.

110-2023 MOTION: BISSAILLON AND MITCHELL

That Council accepts the quote from Dreamcatcher Fireworks for \$8,800.00, which includes the cost for a barge, for fireworks on Canada Day...carried.

111-2023 MOTION: SCOTT AND FARQUHAR

That Council accepts the Library Board Minutes dated March 03, 2023...carried.

112-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND BISAILLON

That Council accepts with regret the resignation of Betty Bardswich from the Library Board ...carried.

113-2023 MOTION: FARQUHAR AND MITCHELL

That FOMOS be allowed to replace the roof of the Old School Building when stamped drawings are submitted and approved by the Chief Building Official and a building permit has been issued...carried.

114-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND MITCHELL

That a letter of support be prepared by staff for the Friends of the Mindemoya Old School for their application to the McLean Foundation.....carried.

115-2023 MOTION: MITCHELL AND FARQUHAR

That a letter of support be prepared by staff for the Friends of the Mindemoya Old School for their application to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport, April 20th deadline, for the Inclusive Seniors Grant in the amount of \$60,000.00 to fund accessibility related renovations such as the installation of a barrier free lift, automatic door openers, and renovations to the bathroom to make it barrier free...carried.

116-2023 MOTION: BISAILLON AND MITCHELL

That a letter of support be prepared by staff for the Friends of the Mindemoya Old School for their application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation Community Investment – Capital stream, June 14th deadline, in the amount of \$150,000.00 to fund accessibility related renovations such as installation of a barrier free lift, automatic door openers, and renovations to the bathroom to make it barrier free...carried.

117-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND SCOTT

That Council accepts Report No. PROP 2023-03-01 – Recreation Infrastructure Committee Terms of Reference...carried.

118-2023 MOTION: SCOTT AND DIEBOLT

That further discussion on Report No. PROP 2023-03-01 and the revised Terms of Reference for the Recreation Infrastructure Committee be deferred to the May 9, 2023 Property Committee and that the Recreation Infrastructure Committee be requested to submit any comments regarding the report to the May 9, 2023 Property Committee ...carried.

119-2023 MOTION: SCOTT AND DIEBOLT

That Council accepts both the minutes from the April 6, 2023 Recreation Infrastructure Committee meeting and the Report prepared by the Recreation Infrastructure Committee regarding the Feasibility Study RFP...carried.

120-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND MITCHELL

That Council declares the weekend of June 16, 17 and 18, 2023 for Pearson Cup a "Community Festival" and that the Mindemoya Curling Club be permitted to hold an outside beer garden at the Lion's Club pavilion in accordance with all applicable laws, AGCO regulations and municipal policies...carried.

121-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND BISAILLON

That Council approves the year-to-date expense report for the Property Committee dated March 31, 2023 as presented...carried.

122-2023 MOTION: D STEPHENS AND MITCHELL

That any action taken at tonight's meeting which may require a by-law be so authorized by Council...carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m. on motion made by Councillor Scott

MAYOR – Richard Stephens

CAO/CLERK – Denise Deforge

I, _____, Clerk of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Thursday, April 13, 2023.

Clerk