

The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee

Regular Meeting 22-2023

September 19th, 2023
Time: 6:00 pm
Town Council Chambers

Councillors Present: Wayne Taipale – Mayor
Diane Ryder – Councillor
Sheldon Ross – Councillor
Carman Tozer – Councillor

Councillors Absent: Theresa Chavez – Deputy Mayor

Staff Present: Shelley Petten – A/CAO
Chantal Rheault – Deputy Clerk
Trevor Keefe – Public Works Manager
Rene Fougere – Recreation Manager

Public Present: Tiffany Cecchetto (Teams Meeting)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Resolution No. 2023-160

*Moved by: Carman Tozer
Seconded by: Sheldon Ross*

BE IT RESOLVED that this Regular Meeting come to order at 6:00 p.m.

(Carried)

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 2023-161

*Moved by: Sheldon Ross
Seconded by: Diane Ryder*

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be accepted as amended.

(Carried)

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

4. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Resolution No. 2023-162

*Moved by: Sheldon Ross
Seconded by: Carman Tozer*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee approve the audited financial statements for the year end of December 31, 2022.

(Carried)

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 2023-163

*Moved by: Sheldon Ross
Seconded by: Carman Tozer*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting #20-2023 of September 5th, 2023, as presented.

(Carried)

6. REPORTS AND MEMO

- a. Status of the Recreation Department – Rene Fougere*
- b. ICIP Bay Road Project Update – Trevor Keefe*

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

8. PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9. MOTIONS

Resolution No. 2023-164

*Moved by: Sheldon Ross
Seconded by: Diane Ryder*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee approves Northland Group of Companies LTD to repair the number two compressor at an estimated cost of \$33,154.20 including taxes.

(Carried)

Resolution No. 2023-165

*Moved by: Carman Tozer
Seconded by: Diane Ryder*

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee recognized the urgent need for physicians in Northern Ontario as it is experiencing a shortage of trained physicians and specialist physicians

WHEREAS life expectancy of Northern residents is more than two years lower than the Ontario average, and mental health and addictions are at a four-times higher rate

WHEREAS one in eight Northern residents does not have access to a family doctor, and many must travel long distances to access healthcare services representing the failure of healthcare in Northern Ontario

WHEREAS communities in Northern Ontario require access to equitable health care, especially underserved rural, Indigenous, and Francophone communities

WHEREAS in April of 2022, the Government announced an unprecedented medical expansion for NOSM University's medical programs

AND WHEREAS the current base funding rates for the Northern School of Medicine University (NOSM) have not been increased sufficiently to accommodate growth and expansion

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee requests the Provincial Government grant NOSM University's request for a permanent increase in annual base funding by \$4.0 million before the end of this fiscal year so it can continue to deliver on the mandate that the Conservative Government initially established in response to the needs of Northern municipalities.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Health and Deputy Premier Sylvia Jones, Minister of Colleges and Universities Jill Dunlop, MPPs Greg Rickford, Vic Fedeli, George Pirie, Ross Romano, Kevin Holland, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Northern Ontario School of Medicine University, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association and the leaders of the opposition parties of Ontario.

(Carried)

10. READING OF BY-LAWS

Resolution No. 2023-166

*Moved by: Sheldon Ross
Seconded by: Diane Ryder*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee approves By-Law No. 14-2023 Being a By-Law to adopt Amendment No.6 to the Official Plan and The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee being read a first and second time; be deemed to be read a third time and finally passed.

(Carried)

Resolution No. 2023-167

**Moved by: Carman Tozer
Seconded by: Sheldon Ross**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee approves By-Law No. 15-2023 Being a By-Law to amend zoning By-Law No. 37-07, as amended and The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee being read a first and second time; be deemed to be read a third time and finally passed.

(Carried)

11. NEW BUSINESS

12. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES/DISCUSSION

- a. Discussion items – Councillor Diane Ryder
- Complaint Letter – Airport
 - Invite to OPP Commissioner regarding drug issue in Moosonee
 - Bridges – Health and Safety Concern
 - AMO Conference Report from Attendees
 - Update to the Firehall Drawings
 - Letter MCEA dated August 2, 2023 update

13. CLOSED SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2023-168


**Moved by: Carman Tozer
Seconded by: Sheldon Ross**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

(Carried)



MAYOR – Wayne Taipale



DEPUTY CLERK – Chantal Rheault