REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING #18-2022

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Office Building, Vermilion Bay, Ontario on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:55 p.m.

Attendance:

Present: Gord Griffiths, Mayor

Ron Kujansuu, Councillor (via phone)

Garry Parkes, Councillor Dennis Peterson, Councillor Ray Pilkey, Councillor

Holly Toews, Deputy Clerk

Max Nagy, Economic Development Officer Carman Brignall, Recreational Facilitator

Olivia Robinson, Machin Fire Department Administrative Assistant

Absent:

Gallery: Tony Blair, Robin Gagne, Greg Swanson, Bonnie Leutschaft, Rose Rhyner,

Norbert Bruyere

1. Call to Order:

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor G. Griffiths at 6:55 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Parkes

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council meeting of Monday, August 8, 2022,

be accepted as amended:

Add 9.6 – Redistribution of Federal Ridings - RESOLUTION CARRIED

3. Declaration of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest:

None declared.

4. Delegation(s):

None

5. Notice of Motions

6. Approval of Previous Minutes:

6.1 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 2**

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes

#17-2022 held August 22, 2022 as presented. CARRIED

7. Unfinished Business:

None

8. Committee/Officer Reports:

8.1 Fire Department Report for August 2022

RESOLUTION NUMBER 3

MOVED BY: Councillor G. Parkes SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson

THAT Machin Council accept the August 2022 Fire Department Report as presented. **CARRIED**

Report attached to original Minutes

The new first response vehicle is at the Vermilion Bay Fire Department. Will put something in the next Machin Messenger.

8.2 Finance and Administration Report for August 2022

RESOLUTION NUMBER 4

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Kujansuu

THAT Machin Council accept the July 2022 Finance and Administration Report, Budget Report/Monthly Cheque Register as presented. **CARRIED**

Report attached to original Minutes

8.3 Economic Development Report – Verbal

Max Nagy, EDO, gave Council a verbal report on the various projects he has been working on.

Cemetery Expansion – Machin has received approval from MNRF to purchase a piece of property adjacent to the Vermilion Bay North Cemetery for expansion of the Cemetery. It could still take up to 2 years for the disposition process to be completed.

CP Property – Received two proposals for Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and Record of Site Condition (RSC) which is required to rezone the property from general industrial to institutional and/or residential. One of the proposals will be chosen later during this meeting.

New Booking System - A new rental agreement has been drawn up and will be presented to Council at this meeting for approval. It will then be posted to the Municipal website and new online booking system for Woodland Arena and the Rec Centre.

8.4 Recreational Facilitator Report - Verbal

Carman Brignall, Machin's Recreational Facilitator

Kids Camp was a success and will be offered again next year with the same swimming instructor for lessons.

Yoga and Art classes are still running with turn outs of about 15 people.

Baseball will continue, attendance varies.

Roller blading also will continue and have made about \$500.00 so far.

Carman is contacting the various hockey leagues about ice time. The Eagle Lake Figure Skating Club will book ice once a week.

A new piece of gym equipment has been ordered but access to the security cameras at the Arena is needed as there was damage to one of the pieces of equipment, if there was access to the cameras we could see who caused it.

The Funny Fall Feast is coming up and has been well received.

9. New Business:

9.1 Machin Fire Chief Recommendation: Member Application Approval

RESOLUTION NUMBER 5

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Kujansuu

THAT Machin Council approve the recommendation from the Machin Volunteer Fire Department Chief to accept the application from Matthew Coke to become a member of the Machin Volunteer Fire Department pending approved medical. **CARRIED**

9.2 Policy Approval

RESOLUTION NUMBER 6

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson

THAT Machin Council approve Machin Administration Policy #2.6

Messenger Policy. CARRIED

This policy will provide a deadline date for the Machin Messenger.

9.3 Water Treatment Plant Roof Engineering Quote

RESOLUTION NUMBER 7

MOVED BY: Councillor G. Parkes SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson

THAT Machin Council accept the quote of \$13,142.00 including HST from LBE Group Inc. for the Water Treatment Plant Roof. **CARRIED**

9.4 Eagle River Recreation Centre Rental Agreement

RESOLUTION NUMBER 8

MOVED BY: Councillor G. Parkes SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council approve the Eagle River Recreation Centre Rental Agreement effective immediately. **CARRIED**

9.5 CP Property Phase 1 ESA Proposals

RESOLUTION NUMBER 9

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Kujansuu

THAT Machin Council approve of the proposal from Pinchin Ltd. for a Phase 1 ESA and Record of Site Condition filing to rezone the CP Property from General Industrial to Institutional. **CARRIED**

9.6 Redistribution of Federal Ridings

RESOLUTION NUMBER 9.1

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Parkes

Whereas the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for the Province of Ontario has proposed a new electoral map that would cut the number of federal election districts in northern Ontario from ten to nine; and

Whereas the Constitution of Canada requires that the federal elector districts be reviewed every ten years; and

Whereas the most significant change would see the two largest ridings in the far north, Kenora and Timmins-James Bay, amended and combined into one massive riding called Kiiwetinoong-Mushkegowuk, spanning from the Manitoba border to Quebec, and Kenora's current riding boundary readjusted dramatically and combined with Thunder Bay-Rainy River with further significant changes to the Thunder Bay-Superior North and Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing boundaries; and

Whereas the land mass size of the new Kenora-Thunder Bay-Rainy River riding would make it virtually ungovernable, and ultimately infringe on the democratic rights of northerners; and

Whereas our region has diverse and unique interests which are quite different from one another and deserve adequate diverse representation in Ottawa; and

Whereas the legislation would in fact support, according to the population quota to be applied by the Commission, a reduction of two, but the commission has recommended one; and

Whereas the Kenora District was deemed an "extraordinary circumstance" in 2012 during the last boundary review, and because of which it was not revised at that time; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Machin strongly opposes the proposed reduction of Northern ridings and representatives; and further

That the Municipality of Machin calls upon the Federal Electoral Boundary Commission to consider the vast land mass that already exists within our electoral boundary and refrain from extending any boundary which reduces northern ridings and representatives; and further

That further consideration be given to the uniqueness of Northwestern Ontario, especially smaller municipalities in the north and expanding this boundary provides for further imperiled and underrepresented by so few seats; and further

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Eric Melillo, MP Kenora Riding, the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario, the Kenora District Municipal Association, the Rainy-River District Municipal Association and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association.

Council is strongly opposed to the suggested changes to the Northern Ridings which reduces Northern Ontario representation in parliament.

10. Information

None

11. In Camera

None

12. By-laws:

12.1 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 10**

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council approve By-law 47-2022 – Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 011-2001, as amended, the Zoning By-law for The Corporation of the Municipality of Machin with respect to Plan M399 Lot 6 Parcel 23713 Langton Township – 68 Spruce Ave.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

12.2 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 11**

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Parkes

THAT Machin Council approve By-law 48-2022 – Being a By-law to provide for Advance Votes to be held prior to Voting Day.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

12.3 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 12**

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Kujansuu

THAT Machin Council approve By-law 49-2022 – A By-law to authorize the use of English in notices, forms and other information provided under the Municipal Elections Act.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

12.4 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 13**

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Parkes

THAT Machin Council approve By-law 50-2022 – Being a By-law that provides that the Council of a municipality may pass a By-law to submit to its electors a proposed By-law requiring their assent; and also being a By-law that provides for a question not otherwise authorized by law but within the Council's jurisdiction.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

12.5 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 14**

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Kujansuu

THAT Machin Council approve By-law 51-2022 – Being a By-law to enter into a Purchase Agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry for the purchase of lands required to expand the Vermilion Bay North Cemetery.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

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12. By-laws:

12.6 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 15**

MOVED BY: Councillor G. Parkes SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council approve By-law 52-2022 – Being a By-law of The Corporation of the Municipality of Machin To Enter into an Agreement to Appoint an Integrity Commissioner, Paul S. Heayn.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

12.7 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 16**

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council Approve By-Law 53-2022 - Being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of a Meeting.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 12th day of September, 2022. **CARRIED**

13. Adjourn:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 17

MOVED BY: Councillor R. Kujansuu

THAT Machin Council approve of adjourning @ 7:40 p.m. **CARRIED**

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MACHIN
Gord Griffiths, Mayor
Holly Toews, Deputy Clerk