



THE VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 24, 2017

The regular meeting of The Burk's Falls Council was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at the Municipal Office at 6:00pm.

Present: Reeve Cathy Still, Councillors, Lewis Hodgson, Jarvis Osborne Rex Smith, Lisa Morrison. Staff: Nicky Kunkel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

None Declared.

Resolution 2017-01 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls adopt the minutes of the Council meeting of December 20, 2016 as circulated. Carried.

DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL:

None this session.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

1. The Administrative Assistant's report on Hawker and Peddlers Bylaw was received and Council asked for a By-law to be presented at the next regular Council meeting.
2. The Clerk presented her report on winter sand. Council instructed that a sign be installed to indicate rules and a letter be sent to any known sand contractors to remind them the sand is strictly for residents who want one bucket full of sand at a time.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Discussion on the Municipality of Bluewater regarding Bill 7: amendments to Residential Tenancies Act: Council supported the concerns regarding property standards enforcement through a resolution.
2. Discussion regarding residential water issues: Council reviewed the letter received and the Public Works Foreman's report and instructed that a letter be sent to the property owner regarding the water leak.
3. Discussion regarding Minutes from the January 6th, 2017 Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee meeting: Council indicated that they are happy to receive a donation or other contribution from another municipality for the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre medical operations since the facility is a regional facility but they are not interested in any agreements for shared services.
4. Discussion regarding the letter from Almaguin Adult Learning Centre requesting contribution: Council is continuing to press for an Alternative School in Burk's Falls in partnership with the Centre. Council has approved a reduced rent for the potential school and this will be considered the contribution.
5. Discussion regarding Community Bus Service: Council discussed the bus service outside of the new taxi service in the Village but feel they are two separate resources and will continue with the bus service. However, bus drivers are needed for the service.

RESOLUTIONS:

2017-02 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby supports the Municipality of Bluewater regarding Bill7; amendments to the Residential Tenancies Act. Carried.

2017-03 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne That By-law No. 1-2017 being a By-law to authorize temporary borrowing for the year 2017 be read a first, second and third time and passed this 24th day of January 2017. Carried.



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2017-04 Moved by Rex Smith - Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That By-law No. 2-2017 being a By-law to set the interim tax levy and interest and penalty be read a first, second and third time and passed this 24th day of January 2017. Carried

2017-05 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
That By-law No. 3-2017 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council from July 27th to December 31st, 2016 be read a first, second and third time and passed this 24th day of January 2017. Carried.

2017-06 Moved by Rex Smith - Seconded by Lewis Hodgson
That the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$636,011.26 as presented up to and including January 24, 2017 hereby be approved for payment. Carried.

2017-07 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls donate \$200.00 to the Pancake Breakfast (March) and Ham Diner (April) community events. Carried.

2017-08 Moved by Rex Smith - Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That the following municipal officials be authorized to attend the FONOM Annual Conference being held in North Bay, May 10 to 12, 2017:

1. Lisa Morrison
2. Nicky Kunkel
3. Cathy Still Carried.

Councillor's Report

Councillor Smith updated Council on the Joint Building Committee budget for 2017 including that rent and administration fees will not be decreased as first reported and that the Department's staff may receive a 2% rate per hour increase.

Councillor Morrison attended Winterfest, the Historical Society and the Library Board meetings this month.

Councillor Osborne attended the preliminary meeting for the Accommodation Economic Impact study as well as the Tri Council meeting. He also reported on an individual's water bill that was much higher than usual and who wanted to have it reduced. Council did not favour a reduction as the water was used and processed.

Councillor Hodgson attended the Economic Development meeting and the necessary performance reviews. He also informed Council that he is working on being part of the Canada 150 - National Film Day for the theatre where a free Canadian movie will be play in April of 2017.

Reeve Still attended several meetings this month at the Family Health Team, performance reviews, Accommodations study, and the Regional Fire Service Committee. She reported that the RFSC is investigating the option of a Regional Fire Prevention Officer much like the Regional Training Officer.

2017-09 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
Council for the Village of Burk's Falls enters into a closed meeting at 18:50, pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2)(b) if the matter is related to personal information regarding an identifiable individual and to discuss litigation or potential litigation and advice subject to solicitor-client privilege s.239(2)(e)(f).
Carried.

2017-10 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby reconvenes to regular, open session at 20:30 pm. Carried.

2017-11 Moved by Rex Smith - Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby adjourns and agrees to meet again on February 21, 2017. Carried.


Cathy Still

Reeve


Nicky Kunkel

Clerk