



Minutes of Special Council Meeting

March 25, 2020

4:00 PM

Town Hall, Council Chambers

Present Via Video Conferencing:

Mayor Walter Stack
County Councillor Dan Lynch
Councillor Ted Strike
Councillor Lynn Grinstead
Councillor Tom Burnette
Councillor Chris Toner
Councillor Lisa McGee

Also Present:

Robin Paquette, CAO
Jennifer Morawiec, GMCS/Treasurer
John Steckly, GM, Operations
Lindsay Wilson, MEDO
Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Walter Stack called the Special Council meeting to order at 4:00 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called, with all Members of Council being present.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. 092-20

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

Be It Resolved That the agenda for the Special Meeting of Council dated Wednesday, March 25, 2020 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

4. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

N/A

5. Staff Reports

a) Electronic Participation – Town Clerk

Resolution No. 093-20

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Report 20-03-25-01, Electronic Participation at Council, Committee and Board Meetings, be received for information;

That By-law Number 6922-19 be amended accordingly to permit electronic participation at Council, Committee and Board meetings where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality under section 4 or 7.0.1 of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act;

Resolution CARRIED

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b) Covid-19 Response - Temporary Financial Measures – GMCS/Treasurer

Resolution No. 094-20

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council authorize the following temporary financial measures for individuals and in response to the Covid-19 crisis:

- (a) Waiving of penalty and interest for Water/Wastewater billings with due dates March 31, April 30 and May 31, 2020.
- (b) 30-day grace period with deferral of property tax second instalment date from May 29, 2020 to June 30, 2020; and
- (c) 60-day grace period with deadline extension for properties with taxes two years in arrears prior to the issuance of a tax certificate

Resolution CARRIED

c) Covid-19 Response Business Continuity Plans – GMCS/Treasurer

Resolution No. 095-20

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council authorize funding up to \$15,000 for additional IT investments for remote connectivity and business continuity purposes funded from the Capital Expenditure Reserve Fund.

Resolution CARRIED

d) Covid-19 Response Communication Strategy – MEDO

Resolution No. 096-20

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That, during the Provincially Declared State of Emergency, Council approve the COVID 19 Communication Strategy attached hereto, as well as a weekly 'Message from the Mayor' to be disseminated per the standard communication procedures and further that the CAO continue to release urgent news to the public through Press Releases.

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e) Covid-19 Response – Economic Development Update

Resolution No. 097-20

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council receives this report as information.

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6. By-laws/Resolutions

a) **By-law 7051-20, Amend By-law 6922-19 Procedure By-law**

Resolution No. 098-20

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That, By-law No. 7051-20 being a by-law to amend By-law 6922-19, being a by-law to Regulate the Proceedings of Council be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

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7. Closed Session (4:33 p.m.)

Resolution No. 099-20

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council meet in Closed Session pursuant to Section 239 (2)(b)(f) of the Municipal Act to discuss one (1) personal matter about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees; advise that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. (Part-time Employees)

Resolution CARRIED

Open Session (4:55 p.m.)

Resolution No. 100-20

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council authorizes staff to proceed as directed in Closed Session regarding part time employees.

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8. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution No. 101-20

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That By-law No. 7052-20 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Special Meeting of Council held on March 25, 2020 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

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9. Adjournment

Resolution No. 102-20

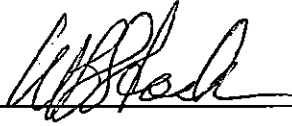
Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

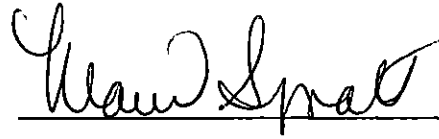
That this meeting of Council be adjourned 5:56 p.m.

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Walter Stack, Mayor



Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk