

**Town of Norman Wells
Minutes
Regular Council Meeting #21-01
Tuesday, January 5, 2021, 7:00pm
Council Chambers
Call in 1-866-969-8429 ID: 5040455**

Present: Frank Pope Mayor
Alexis Peachey Deputy Mayor
Pascal Audet Councillor- telephone
Jean-Paul Bernard Councillor
Jim Boyle Councillor- telephone
Trevor Smith Councillor
David Wever Councillor

Staff: Cathy Clarke Senior Administrative Officer
Misty Rayner Finance Contractor- telephone
Kayla Turner Governance and Community Engagement Manager

Guests: Chris Chivers Telephone

1. Call to Order 7:00PM

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Smith item 7.

3. Review and Adoption of Agenda

Resolution

'Be it resolved that the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting, dated January 5th, 2021 is hereby adopted.'

Motion: No. 21-01-01
Moved by: Councillor Wever
Seconded by: Councillor Peachey

Motion Carried Unanimously

4. Delegation

None

5. Committee Reports

- a) Town Planning Committee
i. Draft Minutes

- Mayor Pope extended his sincere thanks to the Committee for their continued hard work.
- Councillor Wever noted the Committee has started work on the Zoning By-Law and will continue with this at their meeting this coming Thursday, January 7, 2021.
- Council will hold a lunch meeting to review the work that the committee has already done on the Zoning By-Law and will work off the questions provided by the Development Officer. Council will come to the meeting prepared with notes and suggested changes or additions to the Zoning By-Law.

6. Minutes

- a) Regular Meeting of Council #20-29 Draft Minutes

Resolution

Adopted with the correction of guest name, Karel Meulenbroek.

'Be it resolved that the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, dated December 15th, 2020 are hereby adopted.'

Motion: No. 21-01-02
Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Bernard

Motion Carried Unanimously

Councillor Smith left at 7:06PM

7. Old Business

a) Negotiated Contracts Policy- Housing Corporation

Resolution

- See attached administrative report.
- As stated previously in former meetings, Council would like to keep competition inside the Sahtu region and requests that bidding be held within the region. This will be included in a letter which will be sent to the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation, MLA Chinna and Premier Cochrane.

'Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Norman Wells, as per the Government of the Northwest Territories Negotiated Contracts Policy, 11.26, 2 (h), which requires that negotiation outside of the competitive bidding process be supported by the elected leader of the body responsible for the delivery of public municipal services in the community or communities in which the proposed contract would be carried out, not support the negotiation of a contract to build three Housing Corporation Houses for the RCMP outside of the competitive contracting process.'

Motion: No. 21-01-03
Moved by: Councillor Wever
Seconded by: Councillor Peachey

Motion Carried Unanimously

Councillor Smith joined Council in chambers at 7:09PM

8. New Business

a) Contribution Agreement Amendment- Community Public Infrastructure Funding

Resolution

- This is a standard funding amendment. Funding was received 6 months earlier because of Covid-19, funds are normally received late.

'Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby approves the Contribution Agreement Amendment as attached.'

Motion: No. 21-01-04
Moved by: Councillor Peachey
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

Motion Carried Unanimously

b) Approval of Application of Gas Tax Funds

Resolution

- The purchase of the backhoe was initially intended to be purchased under CPI Funds. Application of Gas Tax Funds will be applied retroactively.

'Be it resolved that Council for the Town of Norman Wells approve the application of Gas Tax Funds to the payment of \$157,300.00 for the Backhoe which was purchased in 2019 and \$142,842 for the 2020 purchase of a Dump Truck previously applied to Community Public Infrastructure (CPI) funds.'

Motion: No. 21-01-05
Moved by: Councillor Wever
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

Motion Carried Unanimously

9. Council Forum

Councillor Audet: None

Councillor Boyle: None

Councillor Bernard:

- Questioned how the Town moves forward with an appreciation plaque for Rick Meyers or anyone who is of significance who the Town would like to recognize.
- Acronyms in reports should be spelled out in full before being shortened.
- Fuel cost variation- why does the cost fluctuate. Staff can write a letter to S.R.P Petroleum asking for a response that can be shared with the community. Councillor Peachey did not respond to any questions as she declared a conflict of interest.

Councillor Smith: asked if the side streets in Town will be cleared of snow. The SAO responded that as per the snow removal policy, the whole Town will not be cleared. The Town will wing the side roads and clear Mountain Avens.

Councillor Peachey: None

Councillor Wever:

- inquired about the status of hiring a Finance Manager. The SAO noted that applications closed on December 28, 2020 and the interview process has started.
- Update on the house that had the eviction notice overturned: we do not know personal information about the situation, however, there have been some changes to the living arrangements. The notes from the meeting with Minister Chinna have been sent to her office, however, there has been no response.

Mayor Pope:

- Regarding the NWTAC Resolution, should council be taking anything forward? Councillor Wever suggested the Land Fill and MACA owned land.
- The Jackfish Lake road will be cleared of snow and open during the winter season.
- A request for proposal will be going out for the leasing of equipment for town work, is Council in favor of this? Council was all in favor however, Councillor Audet declared a conflict of interest.

10. Correspondence to Council

None

11. Correspondence from Council

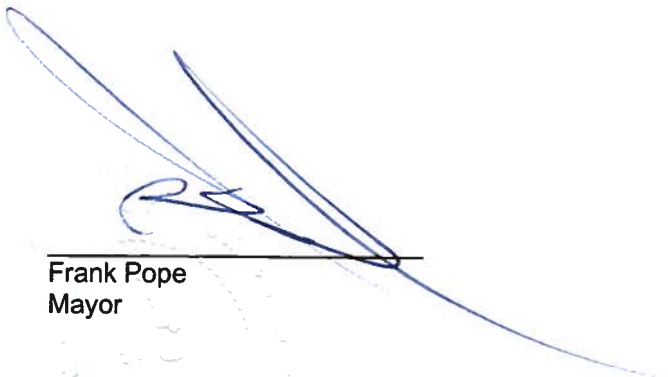
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12. In Camera

None

13. Adjourn

7:25PM moved by: Councillor Smith seconded by: Councillor Peachey



Frank Pope
Mayor



Cathy Clarke
Senior Administrative Officer