

TOWN OF NIVERVILLE

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Niverville Town Council held on August 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Ballroom of the Niverville Heritage Centre. In attendance were Mayor Myron Dyck, Deputy Mayor John Funk and Councillors John Falk and Chris Wiebe.

Res#227-15 C. Wiebe – J. Falk
Agenda BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be approved subject to the following additions:
Business Arising from Minutes – Chadwick Drive Fence Concern
Seminars & Meetings – Triple R Strategic Planning Session
“Carried”

Res#228-15 J. Funk – C. Wiebe
Excused BE IT RESOLVED that Councillor Kevin Stott be excused from the meeting due to a personal commitment.
“Carried”

Mayor Myron Dyck on behalf of Town Council and Jenifer Bardardson on behalf of the Niverville Chamber of Commerce were pleased to award the Volunteer Appreciation Award for the month of August 2015 to Lily Lai. Lily, a recent graduate of NCI, was secretary on student council and was involved with SWAG (Students Working Around the Globe). She has also volunteered her time as a summer camp counsellor, a Sunday School helper, and has designed logos - most recently for Niverville’s Winterfest and Communities in Bloom. Shally Idiosolo accepted the award on behalf of Lily, who was unavailable to attend the presentation.

Res#229-15 J. Falk – J. Funk
Minutes BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular council meeting held on July 21, 2015 be accepted as presented.
“Carried”

A Variation Hearing was held at 7:05 p.m. regarding variation application V2-15, an application from Hank Neufeld to vary the front yard setback from 25 feet to 19.75 feet on Lot 30, Block 2, Plan 19105, civically known as 101 Spruce Drive. There was no opposition brought forward by the public.

Res#230-15 J. Funk – C. Wiebe
V2-15 WHEREAS variation application V2-15 was received from Hank Neufeld for permission to vary the front yard setback from 25 feet to 19.75 feet on Lot 30, Block 2, Plan 19105, civically known as 101 Spruce Drive;
AND WHEREAS the variation application was duly advertised and there were no concerns brought forward;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that variation application V2-15 to vary the front yard setback from 25 feet to 19.75 feet on Lot 30, Block 2, Plan 19105, civically known as 101 Spruce Drive be approved as presented.
“Carried”

Carolyn Turcotte, resident of 14 Chadwick Drive presented her concerns regarding her neighbor’s fence and “retaining” wall. Council recommended that her concerns be directed to legal counsel as this matter does not fall under the Town’s jurisdiction.

Res#231-15 J. Funk – J. Falk
Added Taxes BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 326 of The Municipal Act, supplementary taxes as provided by the Manitoba Assessment Services dated July 13, 2015 be hereby added to the Tax Roll.

“Carried”

Council concurred that a request from the Niverville Heritage Gardens committee for two Green Team members to assist with the maintenance of the Heritage Gardens one day every two weeks for the summer starting May 2016 be reviewed with the Operations manager during the September 8, 2015 during the Ways & Means Committee meeting.

Res#232-15 J. Funk – C. Wiebe
RFP BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Operations manager to proceed with a request for proposal (RFP) for the water and sewer lines that will connect the Town water and sewer system with the proposed washroom/change room at the Hespeler Park Splash Pad.

“Carried”

Res#233-15 C. Wiebe – J. Falk
Sand/Bags BE IT RESOLVED that the Town provide sandbags and sand free of charge for residents to pick up either before or during situations of extreme emergency localized flooding with residents to contact the Civic Office to arrange for picking up these emergency supplies.

“Carried”

Res#234-15 J. Funk – C. Wiebe
Fundraising WHEREAS a request was received from Aimee Jennings for assistance in fundraising efforts for the installation of swings in the playground currently under construction at the corner of Hampton and Claremont;
AND WHEREAS a cost estimate has been received by the Recreation Director in the amount of \$8800.00 less the cost of installation for the purchase of an appropriate swing set;
AND WHEREAS Council recognizes the value of this community project and will assist these fundraising efforts by authorizing donations to be receipted through the Town;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town will receipt donations for donated funds towards the purchase/installation of swings for the playground currently under construction at the corner of Hampton and Claremont subject to the following conditions:
a) All donations will be receipted as per current policy; and
b) Should funds collected not used be applied for the purchase and installation of the swing set by December 31, 2016, that the funds be directed to the Recreation Reserve for general community recreation uses.

“Carried”

Res#235-15 J. Falk – C. Wiebe
BL 691-10 WHEREAS Animal Control By-law 691-10 requires that no person keep or harbour any Pit Bull dog regardless of age;
AND WHEREAS By-law 691-10’s definition of “Pit Bull” lists Canadian Kennel Club breeds which the pit bull resembles but are excluded from the definition of pit bull;

AND WHEREAS clarification has been requested to ascertain how the breed will be determined with respect to authorization for a dog license within the Town; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 691-10 licensing requirements for dogs will require that a licensed veterinarian note the breed on the vaccination records that will be presented to staff when applying for a license and that the veterinarian's description of the dog will be applied (i.e. any reference to "pit bull" or "pit bull cross" or "resembling a pit bull" will disqualify the dog from being kept as a pet within the community).

"Carried"

Res#236-15 J. Falk – J. Funk

Grant – CIB BE IT RESOLVED that the Town provide an additional grant of \$200 to the Communities in Bloom committee to allow 2 committee members to attend the Communities in Bloom Awards weekend in Killarney.

"Carried"

Res#237-15 J. Falk – C. Wiebe

Advertising BE IT RESOLVED that due to the Citizen replacing the Talk of the Town as the community newspaper, that the Town authorizes an annual contract (October 2015 to September 2016) with the Citizen for one full page of advertising at an annual cost of \$4,596.48 plus GST.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the balance of the 2015 advertising grant provided to the Chamber of Commerce for publishing of the Talk of the Town in the amount of \$1800.00 be requested to be returned to the Town.

"Carried"

Res#238-15 J. Funk – C. Wiebe

Fundraising WHEREAS a request was received from Barry Piasta for assistance in fundraising efforts for agility equipment for the dog park with installation of equipment by Town staff;

AND WHEREAS a cost estimate for this project is \$1,000.00;

AND WHEREAS Council recognizing equipment will be a Town asset, hereby authorizes the Town to assist fundraising efforts by receipted project donations through the Town;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town will provide financial donations receipts received towards the purchase of agility equipment for the dog park subject to the following conditions:

- a) That donations will be receipted as per current policy;
- b) That installation by Town staff will take place at the Town's discretion; and
- c) That should monies collected for this project not be used by December 31, 2016, that the funds be placed in the Recreation Reserve and designated for future dog park upgrade.

"Carried"

Res#238-15 J. Funk – J. Falk

Authorize BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to attend the Triple R Planning Session to be held on October 22-24, 2015 in the Whiteshell Provincial Park.

"Carried"

Res#239-15 J. Funk – J. Falk

Accounts BE IT RESOLVED that cheques nos. 32542 to 32624 totalling \$496,752.48 be hereby approved for payment.

"Carried"

Res#240-15 C. Wiebe – J. Falk
Financial BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the June 30, 2015 and July 31, 2015
Financial Statements as presented.

“Carried”

Res#241-15 J. Funk – J. Falk
Cancellation WHEREAS an addressing error on a new home resulted in a resident not
receiving notification of a supplementary property tax balance owing;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the penalties accrued on Roll 45908 in the
amount of \$383.60 be hereby cancelled.

“Carried”

Res#242-15 C. Wiebe – J. Falk
Utility WHEREAS the Town’s utility bills note that outstanding charges and penalties
Procedure *may* be added to property taxes;
AND WHEREAS the Town’s current procedure of adding outstanding utility
charges and penalties to property tax accounts on a quarterly basis causes
confusion for residents;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that outstanding utility account balances will
be transferred to property tax accounts in December of each year, rather than on a
quarterly basis.

“Carried”

Council concurred that clarification on potential street closures required for the
Imagine Run be reviewed to determine if road closure is necessary.

Res#243-15 J. Funk – J. Falk
Curling Club WHEREAS the Niverville Curling Club is applying for a Sport & Recreation
Opportunities Program grant for new equipment such as brooms, sliders, hacks,
and rings;
AND WHEREAS Council is supportive of the recreational and community
benefits that are provided through the Curling Club organization;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town as owner of the Niverville
Curling Rink endorses the grant application from the Niverville Curling Club to
the Sport & Recreation Opportunities Program for curling equipment which will
enhance the facility and its use.

“Carried”

Res#244-15 J. Funk – J. Falk
Adjourn BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned. (8:05 p.m.)

Mayor

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