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The Mayor declared the Regular Meeting in the W.J. Barrett Chambers opened at 6:30 p.m. Present were Mayor James Orlando, Deputy Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Councillors Jordan Bird, Darlene McColman, Randy Rankin, Ben Tetreault, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook and Clerk-Treasurer Robert MacLean. Councillor Kimberly Hamilton was absent for personal reasons.

Declaration - Closed Session:

None

Delegation:

None

Resolutions:

2017-01-01: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on December 19, 2016 be adopted.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-02: Jordan Bird - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council support the letter from the Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma Seniors Health Advisory Committee dated December 19, 2016 advocating for funding for more long term care beds in Algoma and that a copy of this letter and resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care for further consideration and action.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-03: Jordan Bird - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon approve the sale of tickets within the boundaries of the municipality for the North Shore Health Network Auxiliary raffle lottery, with the proceeds to be used for educational purposes at the North Central Region Spring Conference to support the North Shore Health Network Auxiliary Volunteer fundraising for North Shore Health Network programs and services.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-04: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon support the resolution passed by the Town of Fort Frances calling upon the Minister of Finance for the Province of Ontario to implement a new system of municipal property taxation for railroad right-of-way properties based on utilizing a per ton mile concept, and further, that the new tax system when implemented, be reviewed on a regular basis, similar to the MPAC four-year assessment cycle, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance of Ontario, the local MP and MPP, RRDMA, NOMA, AMO, FONOM and to the Town of Fort Frances.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-05: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that Council approve a 50% discount on dockage fees for the North Channel Race Week Sailing event with approximately 15 sailboats scheduled to arrive Monday, July 17, 2017 and furthermore, that the Marina Lounge be provided for free for a 30 minute meeting of the crew members.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-06: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the memo to Arena Employees be amended to read: ‘Anyone booking an ongoing ice rental must pay the regular rate whether or not they show up for that time slot, unless they cancel 48 hours in advance. An exception will only apply in the event that weather conditions prevent the renter from honouring their rental time and they are unable to provide 48 hours notice, in which case the renter will not be required to pay for the scheduled ice time.’” **CARRIED**

2017-01-07: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Lakeside Park Rates for Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Seasonal, Park Resident Pump Out, Transient Pump Out and Wood be increased by two and a half percent (2 1/2%): Daily campsites with Electricity be increased from \$33.79 to \$34.63, Daily Campsites without Electricity from \$28.42 to \$29.13, Weekly Campsites with

Electricity from \$200.70 to \$205.72, Weekly Campsites without Electricity to be increased from \$167.25 to \$171.43, Monthly Campsites with Electricity to be increased from \$752.62 to \$771.44, Monthly Campsites without Electricity to be increased from \$585.37 to \$600.00, Seasonal Campsites with Electricity to be increased from \$1,448.80 to \$1,485.02, Park Resident Pump Out to be increased from \$7.01 to \$7.19, Transient Pump Out to be increased from \$15.00 to \$15.38, Wood to be increased from \$7.00 to \$7.18. Outside Fridge will be increased from \$63.70 to \$113.00. Baseball User Fees will be increased for the Ladies Ball Teams, Mens Ball Teams, and Mixed Ball Teams from \$197.75 to \$202.69.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-08: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Marina Rates for Serviced Docks, Docks with No Services, Pump Out be increased by two and a half percent (2 1/2%): Serviced Docks Seasonal per foot to be increased from \$29.02 to \$29.75, Serviced Docks Monthly per foot to be increased from \$21.16 to \$21.69, Serviced Docks Weekly per foot to be increased from \$7.25 to \$7.43, Serviced Docks Daily per foot to be increased from \$1.69 to \$1.73, Docks with No Services Seasonal per foot to be increased from \$16.93 to \$17.35, Docks with No Services Monthly per foot to be increased from \$10.88 to \$11.15, Docks with No Services Weekly per foot to be increased from \$4.24 to \$4.35, Docks with No Services Daily per foot to be increased from \$1.21 to \$1.24, Pump Out to be increased from \$12.09 to \$12.39, Washer/Dryer per load to be increased from \$2.88 to \$5.00, Vessels at Anchor (showers) to be decreased from \$5.76 to \$5.00, Land Storage to be increased from \$115.15 to \$118.03, Monthly Winter Dockage - Serviced to be increased from \$169.50 to \$173.74, Annual Winter Dockage - No Services to be increased from \$115.15 to \$118.03 and Mezzanine Day to be increased from \$79.10 to \$81.08 and Mezzanine Meeting (up to 4 hours) to be increased from \$39.55 to \$40.54.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-09: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Marina/Arena/Parks Secretary send a letter out to local businesses inquiring if they would have an interest in offering transportation services to Marina boaters and depending on the response, that the availability of this service be posted at the Marina, along with the contact information for the participating businesses.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-10: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that Council approve the submission of an application for Canada 150 Grant funding requesting monies for Community Days 2017 events.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-11: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that Council approve the submission of an application for Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities funding for Fitness Center equipment.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-12: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable to January 16, 2017 in the amount of \$216,558.44 (2016 - \$157,116.41 and 2017 - \$59,442.03) be approved for payment, noting that for any member of Council who has declared a pecuniary interest with regard to any account, their approval is based on this account(s) being excluded from the total accounts payable.” **CARRIED**

Declaration:

Councillor Randy Rankin declared a conflict of interest relating to the Rankin Supply account and the North Shore Sentinel account.

2017-01-13: Jordan Bird - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that, as the new Medical Center at 333 River Street serves both residents from the Town of Thessalon as well as residents from the Municipality of Huron Shores and the Thessalon First Nation, a letter be sent to the Municipality of Huron Shores and to the Thessalon First Nation requesting financial support for the new Medical Center.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-14: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that Council approve the design for the walls and door as well as the requests from Suzanne Priddle-Luck for Room 122 at 333 River Street.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-15: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that Council authorize a donation to Shilo Rousseau in the amount of \$200.00 to support her while representing Canada in the 2017 Biathlon in the Czech Republic.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-16: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign, on behalf of the municipality, the Canada Summer Jobs application for nine students for 2017, subject to concurrence with the Union, with the hiring of the early positions to be in the following order: 1. Marina, 2. Park, 3. Public Works, 4. Park and 5. Public Works.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-17: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that, subject to reinstatement of the program funding, the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign, on behalf of the municipality, the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines application for nine students for 2017, subject to concurrence with the Union, with the hiring of the early positions to be in the following order: 1. Marina, 2. Park, 3. Public Works, 4. Park and 5. Public Works.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-18: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer to sign, on behalf of the municipality, the Sault College Summer Jobs for Youth application for a student(s), with the student(s) to be placed in various departments within the Town.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-19: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer to sign, on behalf of the municipality, the Summer Experience Program application for one student (Recreation).” **CARRIED**

2017-01-20: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that the advertisement for summer student jobs be placed in the March 8, 2017 edition of The North Shore Sentinel, with the closing date to be March 31, 2017, as well as the February newsletter, the job bank and the new website, in order that the Hiring Committee can conduct interviews and provide a recommendation at the April regular Council meeting.” **CARRIED**

Councillor Randy Rankin declared a Conflict of Interest regarding Resolution Number 2017-01-20 relating to summer student jobs and did not take part in the discussion or the vote.

2017-01-21: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that the resignation from the Office Assistant be accepted with regret, and further that, in light of the recent reorganization, the work that has been done by this employee be monitored prior to a decision being made regarding whether or not to re-advertise this position.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-22: Randy Rankin - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that the 1994 Ford Cube Van (Tool Truck) being referenced as (M-29), be declared surplus and advertised for sale by public tender.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-23: Randy Rankin - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that, regarding the Municipal Office, for health and safety reasons, the half door allowing access into the front office be replaced with a full lockable door, and glass be installed along the front counter, with the estimated cost to be not more than \$6,000.00 and with the monies to come from the General Government Reserve.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-24: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that, as of December 31, 2016, properties that are three years in arrears of taxes be registered for tax sale proceedings.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-25: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that the purchase price for the unopened portion of Lake Street lying south of Frances Street and extending to the southern boundary of the property legally described as Plan Indian Department Blk L, Lot 3, west side of Ontario Street, being offered for sale to the adjacent property owners, be set at \$3,000.00 per property owner, with the property owner also being responsible for all costs incurred or required to dispose of the real property as set out in Section 6 of the Sale of Real Property By-law 2060.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-26: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that the Office Assistant be authorized to attend a one-day workshop on January 30th in Sault Ste. Marie for the purpose of developing a PTSD Prevention Plan.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-27: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-28: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2159, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy and to provide for the payment of taxes and to provide for penalty and interest of 1.25 percent per month, be passed in open Council this 16th day of January, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-29: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2160, being a by-law authorizing borrowing and pledging of security, be passed in open Council this 16th day of January, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-30: Randy Rankin - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2161, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a lease agreement between Suzanne Priddle-Luck and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 16th day of January, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-31: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2162, being a by-law to amend Schedule “C” of By-law Number 1800, being a by-law to update/establish user fees and service charges, be passed in open Council this 16th day of January, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-32: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2163, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a lease agreement between the Thessalon Public Library Board and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 16th day of January, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-33: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “That this Council proceed in Closed Session in order to address labour relations or employee negotiations; and specifically, to address the compensation and benefit package, etc. for the position of Town Superintendent.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-34: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “That Council resume Open Session.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-35: Darlene McColman - Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session No. 1, the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign the contract for the position of Town Superintendent.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-36: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2164, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on January 16, 2017, be passed in open Council this 16th day of January, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-01-37: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “That this meeting be adjourned at 7:22 p.m.” **CARRIED**

Mayor

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Clerk-Treasurer