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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 Kimberly Hamilton, Darlene McColman, Randy Rankin, Ben Tetreault, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook and Clerk-Treasurer Robert MacLean. Councillor Jordan Bird was absent due to illness.

Declaration - Closed Session:

None

Delegation:

None

Resolutions:

2017-02-01: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on January 16, 2017 be adopted.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-02: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that a letter be sent to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce expressing grave concern regarding the planned closure of the Thessalon Branch effective August 24, 2017 and the relocation to the Wellington and Churchill Banking Centre, and asking that this decision be reconsidered and reversed, and that a copy of the letter from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce be sent to Carol Hughes, M.P., Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, Michael Mantha, M.P.P., Algoma-Manitoulin and further, that a petition be placed on the front counter of the Municipal Office for signing by persons wishing to show their opposition to the proposed closure.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-03: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that a response be sent by the Town Superintendent to the letter from the Church of the Redeemer further to the request for a ditch to be dug along the lot line of the church and the Town’s right of way.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-04: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that a member of Council be authorized to attend a meeting of the Central Algoma Rural Health Care Steering Committee on February 23, 2017 at which time the NELHIN representatives will give a presentation on the Rural Hub project.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-05: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that Council approve the appointment of Margi Turner to the Thessalon Public Library Board and that Resolution 2016-19-21 be amended to reflect that Linda McLeod was inadvertently included as a member of the board for 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-06: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council approve the attendance of a member of Council at the Algoma District Municipal Association meeting to be held in Richards Landing on April 22, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-07: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, since the Town plans to be represented at the Algoma District Municipal Association meeting on April 22, 2017, a letter be sent to Algoma Public Health advising that Council no longer feels it necessary to have a delegation from Algoma Public Health attend a Council meeting in the near future.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-08: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon support Resolution #16-384 from the Township of McKellar concerning funding for Fire Department Infrastructure, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, Norm Miller, MPP, Michael Mantha, MPP and to the Township of McKellar.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-09: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon support the resolution passed by the Township of Montague requesting that the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport and the Southern Ontario Library Service maintain funding for libraries for internet connectivity, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, the Southern Ontario Library Service, the Premier of Ontario, MP Carol Hughes, Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, Michael Mantha, MPP, Algoma-Manitoulin, and to the Township of Montague.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-10: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon authorize the sale of tickets within the municipality for the Algoma Family Services Foundation Great Escape Dream Draw, with the proceeds being used to provide much needed funding to Algoma Family Services for children’s mental health programs and services throughout the District of Algoma.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-11: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that the Health and Safety - Mission Statement for the Town of Thessalon dated January 1, 2017 be approved.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-12: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council approve the North Shore Health Network Foundation Ontario 150 Community Celebration Paddle to the Pig event to be held at Peace Park on July 29, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-13: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council approve the use of the Arena for a free skate and free hockey program during the March Break, with the free skate to be from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and with Pre-school, Junior and Intermediate Hockey to take place from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., with the dates to be March 13th - 17th, 2017 inclusive, and with the cost to be invoiced to the Healthy Kids Community Challenge.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-14: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council approve the Thessalon Men’s, Mixed and Minor Baseball Leagues being run under the Thessalon Community Events and Activities Committee, with Terry Seabrook and Kurt Rankin to be recognized as volunteers for the Men’s League, and with Terry Seabrook to be recognized as a volunteer for the Mixed League.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-15: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that the children’s paint classes that were to be held on January 4, 2017 be rescheduled to March 14, 2017 at the Upper Deck.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-16: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council approve the installation of plexiglass over the Lakeside Park notice board located outside the office door.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-17: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that Schedule B of the User Fees and Service Charges By-law Number 1800 be further amended to add an advertising fee of \$300 plus HST per year for signage on the rink boards and walls.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-18: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Wi-Fi be activated at the Arena for one year, at the Marina for six months (May to October) and at the Park for six months (May to October) at an annual cost of \$2,528.75.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-19: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, if required, up to four Marina/Arena/Parks summer students obtain their Pleasure Craft Operators Card online at a cost of approximately \$50 each plus HST.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-20: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that all Marina/Arena/Parks summer students be trained for a Fuel Handling course to be provided by the Working Superintendent, Casey Lawrence.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-21: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, if required, up to four Marina/Arena/Parks summer students take the one day training for the VHF Radio course with the cost to be announced and furthermore, that travel expenses and meal allowance be reimbursed if the course is out of town.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-22: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, if required, up to four Marina/Arena/Parks summer students be trained in a Student Marina Training course being offered by the North Channel Marine Tourism Council with the cost to be announced and furthermore, that travel expenses be reimbursed for one day.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-23: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable to February 21, 2017 in the amount of \$254,568.65 (2016 - \$48.00 and 2017 - \$254,520.65) 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.

2017-02-24: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that Council authorize paying Pitney Works invoices online for postage downloads, ink purchases, etc., due to the short turn-around time from the receipt of the invoice and the due date, and further, payment is hereby authorized for any future invoices where payment online would be more cost effective.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-25: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that the owner of the advertisement billboard be notified of the tax amounts generated as a result of the change in assessment from exempt to commercial on the Town-owned property adjacent to Highway 17 East, with the owner to be invoiced for the 2014, 2015 and 2016 tax amounts, and further, that the billboard owner enter into an agreement with the Town for each affected property to cover the cost of future generated tax bills, administration, etc., with the agreement to have an annual fee of \$150.00.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-26: Bill Rosenberg - Ben Tetreault: “Be it resolved that the Water Treatment Plant charges and interest on the exempt property described as Plan Indian Dept. Blk. P Lot 4 totaling \$1,563.80, be written off.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-27: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that the properties described as File No. 15-06, File-No. 15-07 and File No. 15-08 be vested with the Town and that any outstanding amounts being written off.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-28: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that the property described as File No. 15-03 not be vested with the Town and that any outstanding amounts not be written off, and that the most advantageous option with regard to this property be researched.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-29: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that Council accept the percentage allocation for the Town Superintendent’s hours of work, and if work is done in a department that has not been included in the allocation, the actual hours will first be charged to that department, with the remaining hours to be apportioned in accordance with the above-mentioned percentage allocation.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-30: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that the temporary Part-time Arena/Full-time Park position end effective March 31, 2017, with the employee to be notified accordingly.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-31: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that the process of hiring an employee for the Union position of Arena/Park Labourer 2 be commenced.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-32: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that, due to recent changes in staffing:

- the Town hire eight (8) summer students
- up to four (4) students, if required, be trained to work at the Marina
- documentation be provided with regard to any requirement for Marina staff to have the Pleasure Craft Operator card.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-33: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that Council approve the cleaning of the remaining bunker gear that was not completed in 2016 in an estimated amount of \$1,200.00, with the monies for this expenditure to be included in the 2017 Fire Department budget.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-34: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that Council authorize up to two members of the Volunteer Fire Department to attend a First Aid/CPR training session on February 25, 2017 at a cost of \$110.00 per person.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-35: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that Council approve the quotation from GBS Home Renovations for the modifications to the Municipal Office front counter area in the amount of \$6,100.00 plus HST, with the bid to be adjusted to reflect a lower-priced door.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-36: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that the tender from Gary Fluke for the 1994 Ford Cube Van in the amount of \$811.00 plus HST, be accepted.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-37: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that the Town Superintendent be authorized to attend East Algoma Road Superintendents’ meetings and any other area meetings that he feels would be of benefit to the municipality.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-38: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that Council approve the Concussion Policy dated February 21, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-39: Ben Tetreault - Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that Council accept the offer to execute a campaign for the Government of Ontario regarding the placement of two rinkboards at the Thessalon Memorial Community Arena, with the Town to receive revenue of \$300.00 for each rinkboard, to be displayed starting February 13, 2017 and running for a six week period, and that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign the agreement and any related documents.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-40: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council approve Minutes of Settlement File No. 2017-01MOS.” **CARRIED**

Mayor Orlando declared a Conflict of Interest regarding Resolution Number 2017-02-40 relating to Minutes of Settlement File No. 2017-01MOS, and turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor Rosenberg for the discussion and the taking of the vote.

2017-02-41: Kimberly Hamilton - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that Council authorize one person to attend the next Economic Development Initiative meeting on March 8, 2017 in Iron Bridge.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-42: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-43: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2165, being a by-law to amend Schedule “E” of By-law Number 1800, being a by-law to update/establish user fees and service charges (for the Park) be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-44: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2166, being a by-law to amend Schedule “D” of By-law Number 1800, being a by-law to update/establish user fees and service charges (for the Marina) be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-45: Darlene McColman - Kimberly Hamilton: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2167, being a by-law to adopt a hiring policy and procedures for the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-46: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2168, being a by-law to amend Section 5(c) of By-law 1933, being a by-law to impose and collect water service rates for water services through the Town of Thessalon Water Distribution System, be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-47: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2169, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$133,269.93 towards the cost of the LAS - LED Streetlight/Building Retrofit Project, be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-48: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2170, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principal amount of \$1,500,000.00 towards the cost of the Medical Centre Complex Project, be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-49: Bill Rosenberg - Darlene McColman: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2171, being a by-law to adopt a policy for procurement of goods and services for the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-50: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2172, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on February 21, 2017, be passed in open Council this 21st day of February, 2017.” **CARRIED**

2017-02-51: Randy Rankin - Bill Rosenberg: “That this meeting be adjourned at 7:58 p.m.” **CARRIED**

Mayor

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Clerk-Treasurer