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The Mayor declared the Regular Meeting open at 6:30 p.m. Present in the W. J. Barrett Chambers were, Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Deputy Mayor Jordan Bird, Councillors Marcel Baron, Tracey Cooke, Randy Rankin, and Linda Stopes. Clerk-Treasurer Robert MacLean, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook, Administrative Secretary Lindsay MacFarlane and Asset Manager and Administrative Coordinator Julia Kluding. Julia Kluding attended the meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 6:55 p.m. Councillor Lindsay Tallon was absent.

Declaration – Julia Kluding, Asset Manager and Administrative Coordinator

Resolutions:

2022-03-01: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on February 22, 2022 be adopted.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-02: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the municipal insurance proposal from Northern Insurance covering the one-year period commencing March 16, 2022, be accepted, and that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign the proposal on behalf of the municipality.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-03: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the Marina opening date be changed to the Friday of the Victoria Day weekend and the closing date be changed to the Monday of the Thanksgiving weekend.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-04: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that Council approve the nomination of Mary Laundrie for Senior of the Year.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-05: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the Easter Egg Hunt be held on April 15, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-06: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the registration fee for baseball for 2022 be kept at \$20.00.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-07: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable to March 21, 2022 in a total amount of \$196,002.94 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.

2022-03-08: Jordan Bird– Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that Council approve the Exit Interview Policy dated March 21, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-09: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that, effective immediately, the front summary page(s) only of the agenda be placed on our website.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-10: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that any future WSIB payments be paid through online banking.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-11: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that Thessalon Volunteer Firefighters be reimbursed the fee to renew their DZ licence.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-12: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that Council approve a Deeming By-law Application fee of \$250.00 plus all associated costs, including but not limited to legal fees.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-13: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes: “WHEREAS municipal governments’ infrastructure is critical to our collective economic health; and

WHEREAS stable, predictable and formula-based infrastructure funding allows municipal governments to plan and schedule investments in infrastructure; and

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments have asset management policy which set out a municipality’s longer-term capital plan which reflects the infrastructure priorities of these asset management plans;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Thessalon adopts the Asset Management Policy as per O. Reg. 588/17 as presented and that the policy dated April 15, 2019 is hereby rescinded.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-14: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that the Asset Management Plan dated March 21, 2022 be adopted and that the plan dated October, 2018 is hereby rescinded.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-15: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes: “WHEREAS the Town of Thessalon is undertaking programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; and

WHEREAS these programs and activities conserve natural resources, save energy and money, and promote sustainable land use and transportation planning in the community; and

WHEREAS municipalities are leading by example by adopting innovative sustainability programs, including working with community residents, business groups and others; and

WHEREAS the Town of Thessalon wishes to be involved in activities, share its experiences with other communities, and be recognized for its accomplishments; and

WHEREAS working on the initiatives is an opportunity for the Town of Thessalon to be recognized for its efforts to promote sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Thessalon agrees to work on the initiatives listed in the Climate Change Mitigation Strategy.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-16: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that Council authorize the submission of an application for a Seniors Can! grant from Help Age Canada under the program objective ‘Innovative Programming’ with emphasis on social outings.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-17: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that Council hereby authorizes the use of a third party for the procurement of goods and services for the Town of Thessalon.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-18: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that an application be submitted through the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 182 for four Intrinsically Safe Radios, with the estimated cost per radio being approximately \$3,000.00.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-19: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that Council approve in principle, the proposal from Northern Rural Net to erect a tower at 81 Peachey Street to give students access to high-speed internet for online learning, with the possibility of extending high speed internet and phone services to others later, should Northern Rural Net be unsuccessful in making alternate arrangements in moving forward with this initiative.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-20: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that Council approve the tender from Algoma Ag Centre for gas at the Marina in the amount of \$1.4919 per litre plus HST for a total amount of \$1.6858 per litre, subject to the usual market fluctuations.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-21: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-22: Linda Stopes – Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2473, being a by-law to amend By-law Number 2023, being a by-law to establish a Municipal Economic Development Committee, be passed in open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-23: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2474, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an agreement and related documents between Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon regarding the use by heavy equipment on the abandoned CPR Spur and the lagoon road to enable access onto Peachey Street, be passed in open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-24: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2475, being a by-law to amend the User Fees and Service Charges of Schedule ‘F’ of By-law Number 1800, be passed in open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-25: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “That Council proceed in Closed Session in order to address personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and specifically, a recommendation following a Pay Equity wage comparison review as well as a recommendation regarding appointments to the Municipal Economic Development, and Community Events and Activities Committees; and a labour relations or employee negotiations matter, and specifically, a recommendation related to the Collective Agreement.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-26: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “That Council resume Open Session.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-27: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 1, Council accept the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee following the Pay Equity wage comparison review.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-28: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 2, Council accept the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee regarding the appointments to the Municipal Economic Development, and Community Events and Activities Committees.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-29: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 3, Council accept the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee regarding Schedule ‘A’ of the Collective Agreement.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-30: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2476, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on March 21, 2022, be passed in open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-31: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes: “That this meeting be adjourned at 7:55 p.m.” **CARRIED**

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Mayor

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