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The Mayor declared the Regular Meeting open at 6:31 p.m. Present in the W. J. Barrett Chambers were Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Deputy Mayor Jordan Bird Councillors Marcel Baron, Tracey Cooke, Kevin King, Randy Rankin and Lindsay Tallon, Clerk-Treasurer Debbie Rydall, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook.

**Declaration – Closed Session:** None

**Delegation –** Chris Kirby, Project Manager, Tulloch – Updated Council Regarding the Rehabilitation of Huron Street.

**Resolutions:**

**2023-02-01: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on February 21, 2023 be adopted.”

**CARRIED**

**2023-02-02: Randy Rankin – Jordan Bird:** Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon supports the resolution passed by the Town of Petrolia requesting that school boards become responsible for conducting their own trustee elections or at minimum municipalities be compensated by the school boards for overseeing such trustee elections and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Steven Lecce, Minister of Education, Michael Mantha, MPP Algoma-Manitoulin and to the Town of Petrolia.”

**CARRIED**

**2023-02-03: Jordan Bird – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that Council approves payment of the 2023 HNCEA membership with the monies to be included in the 2023 budget and further that, a HNCEA Economic Development Officer be invited to an upcoming committee meeting.”

**CARRIED**

**2023-02-04: Jordan Bird – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that Council authorizes that a written response be sent to Twin Rivers farm regarding future collaboration and further that, the farm be included on the Town website directory.”

**CARRIED**

**2023-02-05: Jordan Bird – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that Council accepts the quotation from Kapptive Studios in the amount of \$475.00 plus HST to rebuild and update the Community and Business Directory on the town website, with the monies to be included in the 2023 budget.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-06: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that Council authorize that an Instagram page be established with connection to the Town of Thessalon’s Facebook book page.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-07: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that Council approves the recommendation that the Municipal Economic Development Committee (to be renamed the Thessalon Economic Development and Tourism Committee) hold an open house for Thessalon businesses and local to Thessalon business owners/representatives for an open discussion in March, 2023 and that this meeting be advertised via social media and the North Shore Sentinel.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-08: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that Council approves the Thessalon promotional summaries be updated and sent to the Algoma Country guide, the Huron North Regional Tourism guide and the Explore Local pamphlet, etc. and further, to share with local business owners the contact information for each guide and/or pamphlet to ensure opportunity to have their up-to-date information also included.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-09: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that Council authorizes a tender be completed for a local artist(s) to paint murals on the two newly constructed washrooms at Lakeside Park Beach and Peace Park.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-10: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that Council authorizes the Alzheimer’s Support Group to hold their meetings in the W.J. Barrett Chambers the first Wednesday of the month, beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at no cost, as per the User Fees and Charges by-law.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-11: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that Council approves the Algoma University holding a Caregiver Research Focus Group at the Thessalon Memorial Arena on February 21<sup>st</sup> from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., at no cost, being held in conjunction with the Seniors’ social.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-12: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon:** "Be it resolved that Council approves the 2023 membership to the North Channel Marine Tourism Council in the amount of \$600.00 plus HST with the monies to be included in the 2023 budget."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-13: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon:** "Be it resolved that Council authorizes that a new sound system for the Thessalon Memorial Arena be considered in the 2023 budget."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-14: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council authorizes the purchase of gas detectors in an estimated amount of \$7,200.00, with the monies to cover this expenditure to come from the Recreation Plus (Fire Department) Reserve."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-15: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council approves the registration of the Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection course for the Fire Services Committee on March 21, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-16: Lindsay Tallon – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council approves the use of the Arena Lobby for crafts and board games in the March Break during the public hockey time with a cost of \$2.00 per participant."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-17: Lindsay Tallon – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council approves a youth paint session to be held on March 15, 2023 starting at 4:00 p.m. with a cost of \$15.00 including HST for each participant."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-18: Lindsay Tallon – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council authorizes that a banner, being donated by Laird Signs, recognizing Shilo Rousseau's international accomplishments, be displayed throughout the Town."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-19: Lindsay Tallon – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council approves a \$500.00 donation to Shilo Rousseau to recognize her international accomplishments."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-20: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council advertise its interest in leasing the Town owned property located in the Municipality of Huron Shores with the legal description of THESSALON PLAN H792 LOT 41 PT."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-21: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council authorizes that the Municipality of Huron Shores be contacted with a proposal to annex the Town owned property located in the Municipality of Huron Shores with the legal description THESSALON PLAN H793 LOT 62 RCP into the Corporation of The Town of Thessalon."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-22: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable for February 21, 2023 in a total amount of \$398,060.04 (2022 – \$163,244.48 and 2023 - \$234,815.56) 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."

Declaration: Councillor Randy Rankin declared a conflict of interest relating to the Rankin Supply account.

Declaration: Deputy Mayor Jordan Bird declared a conflict of interest relating to the Jordan Bird account.

Declaration: Mayor Bill Rosenberg declared a conflict of interest relating to the Bill Rosenberg and Jeannine Rosenberg account.  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-23: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** "Be it resolved that Council authorize the substitution of Friday, June 30, 2023 for Canada Day, Friday, September 29, 2023 for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Friday, November 10, 2023 for Remembrance Day."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-24: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** "Be it resolved that Council approves the change of the closing date for the summer student advertisement from April 7, 2023 to April 6, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-25: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** "Be it resolved that Council approves the revised Organization Flow Chart."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-26: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council, in order to allow for the restorative care to become established and viable, offers a \$200.00 monthly rent amount plus utilities for Unit #122 in the Thessalon Medical Centre for a specified time frame."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-27: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that Council approves the purchase of the Code Two Exchange Pro program regarding consistent email signatures, with the cost of this expenditure to be included in the 2023 budget.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-28: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** “Be it resolved that Council award the Coastal Trail, Floating Walkway tender to Richardson Docks Corporation in the amount of \$197,400.00 plus HST.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-29: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** “Be it resolved that Council approve the submission of an application through the Rural Economic Development program in the amount of \$10,000.00 with our share being \$7,000.00 for street pole banners, banner hardware and Christmas lights.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-30: Randy Rankin – Jordan Bird:** “Be it resolved that Council authorize the purchase of a floor cleaning unit in an estimated amount of \$8,500 with the funds to cover this expenditure to be included in the 2023 budget.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-31: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that Council authorize the purchase of a new treadmill in an estimated amount of up to \$12,000 with the funds to cover this expenditure to be included in the 2023 budget.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-32: Randy Rankin – Jordan Bird:** “Be it resolved that Council authorize the purchase and installation of a new furnace at the Thessalon Memorial Arena in an estimated amount of \$3,900 with the funds to cover this expenditure to be included in the 2023 budget.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-33: Tracey Cooke – Jordan Bird:** “Be it resolved that Council authorizes Susan Brisson to participate in assisting to facilitate the 12-week Seniors’ YMCA swim, gym and social spring program, being offered through the Trefry Centre.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-34: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that Council approves the deferral of the Kids “Learn to Ski” program until the 2023/2024 season.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-35: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council approves the Activities Facilitator to assist with the Thessalon Public School's lunch hour ski program being offered twice a week."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-36: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council authorize the submission of an application through the Trans Canada Trail Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the purchase of two bike racks."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-37: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-38: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2529, 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-39: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2530, being a by-law to appoint Lottery Licencing Officers for the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-40: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2531, being a by-law to establish regulations for the Fire Department within the Municipality of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-41: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2532, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon to authorize the borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the principal amount of \$281,339.94 towards the cost of the 2022 new plow truck, be passed in open Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-42: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2533, being a by-law to amend the User Fees and Service Charges of Schedule 'G' of By-law Number 1800, to include a rate of \$15.00 including HST for youth paint classes and a rate of \$25.00 including HST for adult paint classes, be passed in open Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023."  
**CARRIED**

**2023-02-43: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2534, being a by-law to amend the name of the Municipal Economic Development Committee to the Thessalon Economic Development and Tourism Committee, be passed in open Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-44: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** “That Council proceed in Closed Session:

That Council proceed in Closed Session in order to address personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and specifically, 1) applications to fill vacancies on the Planning Committee, the Committee of Adjustment and the Property Standards Committee; and the Municipal Economic Development Committee (to be renamed the Thessalon Economic Development and Tourism Committee); and 2) being a recommendation regarding the probationary period for Employee Number 028, and 3) being an update regarding municipal staffing. **CARRIED**

**2023-02-45: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** “That Council resume Open Session.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-46: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 1 i), Council accept the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee regarding the appointment to the Planning, Committee of Adjustment and the Property Standards Committee.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-47: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon:** “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 1 ii), Council accept the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee regarding the appointment of a member to the Municipal Economic Development Committee (to be renamed the Thessalon Economic Development and Tourism Committee.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-48: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2535, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on February 21, 2023, be passed in open Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023.” **CARRIED**

**2023-02-49: Kevin King – Randy Rankin:** "That this meeting be adjourned at 8:36 p.m." **CARRIED**

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