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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, Kevin King, Randy Rankin and Lindsay Tallon, Clerk-Treasurer Debbie Rydall, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook.

Declaration – Closed Session: None

Delegation – Jordan Dermo, CIMCO. Review of Net Zero Feasibility Study Proposal.

Resolutions:

2023-03-01: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: “Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on February 21, 2023 be adopted.”

CARRIED

2023-03-02: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon supports the resolution passed by the Municipality of Trent Lakes requesting the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to make the following changes to the municipal oath of office; I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III and that I will faithfully observe the laws of Canada including the Constitution, which recognizes and affirms the Aboriginal and treaty rights of First Nations, Inuit and Metis people, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honorable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Michael Mantha, MPP Algoma-Manitoulin and to the Municipality of Trent Lakes.”

CARRIED

2023-03-03: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: “WHEREAS the homelessness crisis is taking a devastating toll on families and communities, undermining a healthy and prosperous Ontario;
WHEREAS the homelessness crisis is the result of the underinvestment and poor policy choices of successive provincial governments;
WHEREAS homelessness requires a range of housing, social service and health solutions from government;
WHEREAS homelessness is felt most at the level of local government and the residents that they serve;
WHEREAS municipalities and District Social Administration Boards are doing their part, but do not have the resources, capacity or tools to address this complex challenge; and,
WHEREAS leadership and urgent action is needed from the provincial government on an emergency basis to develop, resource, and implement a comprehensive plan to prevent, reduce and ultimately end homelessness in Ontario.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Thessalon calls on the Provincial Government to urgently:

- a. Acknowledge that homelessness in Ontario is a social, economic, and health crisis;
- b. Commit to ending homelessness in Ontario;
- c. Work with AMO and a broad range of community, health, Indigenous and economic partners to develop, resource, and implement an action plan to achieve this goal.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; and the Minister of Health, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).”

CARRIED

2023-03-04: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that the municipal insurance proposal from Northern Insurance covering the one-year period commencing March 16, 2023, be accepted, and that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign the proposal and related documents on behalf of the municipality.”

CARRIED

2023-03-05: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that Council authorizes that, with the collaboration of the Marina/Arena/Park Committee, the Economic Development and Tourism Committee and the Town Superintendent, a tender be completed for a potential food truck to be operational at the Thessalon Marina during its operating season." **CARRIED**

2023-03-06: Marcel Baron - Jordan Bird: "Be it resolved that Council authorizes that a response be sent to the Thessalon Minor Hockey Association regarding their request to open the Thessalon Memorial Arena at the beginning of October for the 2023/2024 season, informing them that, although not definite, the earliest the Thessalon Memorial Arena can be open for a season is after Thanksgiving due to staff shortages and securing a date to schedule the ice painting." **CARRIED**

2023-03-07: Kevin King - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that Council approves the updated Fire Department ranks for the current firefighters provided by the Fire Services Committee." **CARRIED**

2023-03-08: Marcel Baron - Jordan Bird: "Be it resolved that Council approves that a letter be sent to the Municipality of Huron Shores requesting monetary support for our recreation programs and special events." **CARRIED**

2023-03-09: Tracey Cooke - Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that Council approve the sale of raffle tickets for a quilt within the Town of Thessalon on behalf of the North Shore Health Network Auxiliary, with the proceeds going towards the purchase of medical equipment for the North Shore Health Network." **CARRIED**

2023-03-10: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that the letter from D. Brent Rankin with regard to residential tax rates for the 2023 calendar year, be taken under advisement by the Finance Committee." **CARRIED**

2023-03-11: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: "Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable for March 20, 2023 in a total amount of \$343,585.74 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 and North Shore Sentinel Accounts.

2023-03-12: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that Council authorize that the hiring process begin for a temporary seasonal Harbour Master position with a start date of the middle of May and an end date of up to October 10, 2023 with a rate between \$17.00 and \$19.00 per hour, subject to concurrence with the Union." **CARRIED**

2023-03-13: Lindsay Tallon - Tracey Cooke: "Be it resolved that Council authorize the purchase and installation of a new furnace at the Water Treatment Plant in an estimated amount of \$5,400 plus HST with the funds to cover this expenditure to be included in the 2023 budget." **CARRIED**

2023-03-14: Kevin King - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that Council approves the tender in the amount of \$11,636.40 plus HST from JSC Construction for the Fire Hall roof repairs." **CARRIED**

2023-03-15: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that Council approves the revised Standby Policy dated March 20, 2023." **CARRIED**

2023-03-16: Lindsay Tallon - Tracey Cooke: "Be it resolved that Council approves that consideration be given to installing additional street lighting on Genelle Street East and Lighthouse Point in the 2023 budget." **CARRIED**

2023-03-17: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: "Be it resolved that Council approves that an application through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) be completed by CIMCO for a net zero feasibility study on Town owned buildings as agreed upon."

Declaration: Councillor Tracey Cooke declared a conflict of interest regarding this request. **CARRIED**

2023-03-18: Kevin King - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that Council authorizes that a payment of 50% of the Coastal Trail Floating Walkway project cost be issued and that the balance be paid when the project is 100% complete." **CARRIED**

2023-03-19: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: "Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports." **CARRIED**

2023-03-20: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2536, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an agreement and related documents between the Trans Canada Trail and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, and the execution of all documents, for Project 104777 (Thessalon Marina Boardwalk), be passed in open Council this 20th day of March, 2023." **CARRIED**

2023-03-21: Kevin King - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2537, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a lease agreement between the Thessalon Library Board and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 20th day of March, 2023." **CARRIED**

2023-03-22: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2538, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an agreement and related documents between Clean-4-U, being owned and operated by Dorianne Goodmurphy and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 20th day of March, 2023." **CARRIED**

2023-03-23: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2539, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a lease agreement between Dr. Thomas Detert and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon for space in the Thessalon Medical Centre, be passed in open Council this 20th day of March, 2023." **CARRIED**

2023-03-24: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2541, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a lease agreement between the Huron Shores Family Health Team and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon for space in the Thessalon Medical Centre, be passed in open Council this 20th day of March, 2023." **CARRIED**

2023-03-25: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: "That Council proceed in Closed Session:

- 1) in order to address personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and specifically, 1) i) a recommendation regarding the probationary period for Employee Number 028, ii) a recommendation regarding an application to fill vacancies on the Thessalon Community Events and Activities Committee and iii) a recommendation regarding applications to serve on the Thessalon Volunteer Fire Department
- 2) in order to address information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them and specifically, Thessalon Medical Centre leasing options."

CARRIED

2023-03-26: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: "That Council resume Open Session."

CARRIED

2023-03-27: 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 probationary period for Employee Number 028."

CARRIED

2023-03-28: 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 to the Thessalon Community Events and Activities Committee."

CARRIED

2023-03-29: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: "Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 2, Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and the Municipal Buildings, Property and Equipment Committee regarding the Thessalon Medical Centre leasing options."

CARRIED

2023-03-27: 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 probationary period for Employee Number 028.” **CARRIED**

2023-03-28: 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 to the Thessalon Community Events and Activities Committee.” **CARRIED**

2023-03-29: Jordan Bird - Marcel Baron: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 2, Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and the Municipal Buildings, Property and Equipment Committee regarding the Thessalon Medical Centre leasing options.” **CARRIED**

2023-03-30: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2542, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on March 20, 2023, be passed in open Council this 20th day of March, 2023.” **CARRIED**

2023-03-31: Randy Rankin - Kevin King: “That this meeting be adjourned at 8:26 p.m.” **CARRIED**

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Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer