

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Held using GoToMeeting Web Conference System

On Wednesday November 3, 2021

**PRESENT:** Mayor Erwin Butikofer  
Pardee Councillor Curtis Coulson  
Blake Councillor Mark Thibert  
Scoble Councillor Brian Kurikka  
Councillor at Large Gordon Cuthbertson  
Crooks Councillor Brian Wright  
Pearson Councillor Gary Gardner

Erika Kromm, Clerk-Treasurer  
Laura Jones, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

**1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:**

- (a) Call to Order: Mayor Butikofer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- (b) Attendance: Attendance was recorded.
- (c) Accept/Amend the Agenda:

Res. No. 2021-11-265

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson  
Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THAT the agenda for this regular meeting of Council be approved as presented.

**CARRIED ✓**

- (d) Declarations of Interest:

No declarations of pecuniary interests under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act were brought forward.

**2. HEAR DEPUTATIONS FROM AUDIENCE MEMBERS**

No Deputation Requests have been received for this Meeting.

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

- 3.1 Minutes of the Open Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 20, 2021  
(Recommendation to approve the minutes for both the open session (Item 3.1) and the Closed Session (Item 7.1), with any error corrections, as required.)
- 3.2 Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on October 27, 2021  
(Recommendation to approve the minutes with any error corrections, as required.)
- 3.3 Minutes of the meeting of the Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration held on September 16, 2021  
(Recommendation to receive the minutes)
- 3.4 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Administrative Activity  
(Recommendation to receive the report for information)
- 3.5 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Sale of Surplus Assets  
(Recommendation to receive the report for information)
- 3.6 Correspondence from Ministry of Finance, received October 21, 2021, Regarding OMPF Allocation  
(Recommendation to receive for information.)
- 3.7 Information Correspondence List  
(Recommendation to receive the correspondence for information)

#### Res. No. 2021-11-266

Moved by: Councillor Wright  
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the recommendations from Administration with respect to all of the items on the consent agenda portion of this evening's meeting, being Items 3.1, through 3.7, and item 7.1 the Closed Session Minutes from October 20, 2021

**CARRIED ✓**

It was noted that the upcoming COW meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2021 at 5 PM.

### **4. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED REQUIRING DIRECTION:**

- 4.1 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Council Composition  
Members present discussed the report. The Clerk-Treasurer provided an overview of the new survey responses that had been received since the previous meeting. A recorded vote was requested for when a motion was brought forward to pass the by-law to change ward boundaries and council composition.
- 4.2 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Future Council Meetings  
Members present discussed the report. On consensus, Council determined that they would start in person meetings in January at the regular Council chambers unless there are changes with the pandemic.

4.3 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Tax Arrears Notices

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2021-11-267

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to mail out the arrears notice appended to the report.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.4 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Expanded Plastics Recycling

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2021-11-268

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes Administration to apply to the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority to expand the blue box program to include number 3 to 7 plastics and glass.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.5 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Parking Lot Plowing

Members present discussed the report. Administration was directed to bring forward additional information at a future meeting regarding liability and the workload of the roads crew.

4.6 Correspondence from Great Lakes Waterfront Trail, received October 18, 2021, Regarding Support for the Phase II Expansion Project

Members present reviewed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2021-11-269

Moved by: Councillor Thibert

Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

WHEREAS expanding the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail would support the goals of Neebing's Strategic Plan by promoting tourism and recreational amenities; while encouraging healthy and active lifestyles.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Municipality of Neebing supports the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail and Trans Canada Trail expansion project and directs Administration to submit the letter of support.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.7 Correspondence from Municipality of Leamington, received October 8, 2021, Regarding Long Term Care Homes

Members present reviewed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2021-11-270

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Municipality of Neebing supports the resolution passed by the Municipality of Leamington regarding Long Term Care Homes.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.8 Correspondence from Ontario Good Roads Association, received October 14, 2021, Regarding Call for Nominations

Members present reviewed the correspondence. No resolution was passed.

4.9 Correspondence from Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, received September 23, 2021, Regarding Black Ash Protection

Members present reviewed the correspondence. There was discussion regarding control of the emerald ash borer. On consensus, Council supported the easing of black ash protection.

**5. BY-LAWS**

5.1 By-law 2021-043 to Change Council Composition and Ward Boundaries

Res. No. 2021-11-272

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 043 to change council composition and ward boundaries, be passed.

**CARRIED ✓**

A recorded vote was performed:

Blake Councillor Mark Thibert - YES  
Scoble Councillor Brian Kurikka - YES  
Councillor at Large Gordon Cuthbertson - YES  
Crooks Councillor Brian Wright - YES  
Pearson Councillor Gary Gardner - NO  
Pardee Councillor Curtis Coulson - NO  
Mayor Erwin Butikofer- YES

**6. NEW BUSINESS - ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Coulson provided an update on a recent repair performed on the bridge on Cloud Lake Road.

Two recent losses were acknowledged: the loss of a daughter of one of our constituents; and the loss of the husband of Oliver Paipoonge Mayor Kloosterhuis. Sympathy cards were sent to both families by the Mayor.

**7. CLOSED SESSION**

No items on the agenda required entering into closed session.

**7.1 Minutes of the Closed Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 6, 2021**

This item was approved as part of the consent agenda

**8. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

**8.1 By-law 2021-044 To Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting**

Res. No. 2021-11-273

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2021-044, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting, be passed as presented.

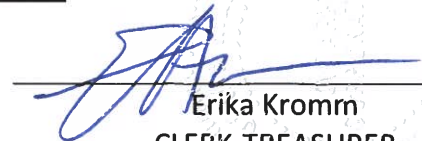
**CARRIED ✓**

**9. ADJOURN THE MEETING:**

There being no further business to attend to, Mayor Butikofer adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

  
Erwin Butikofer  
MAYOR

  
Erika Kromm  
CLERK-TREASURER