

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Held in person at the Municipal Office and using GoToMeeting Web Conference System  
On Wednesday, May 17, 2023

**PRESENT:** Mayor Mark Thibert  
Pearson Councillor Gary Gardner  
Blake Councillor Katherine Hill  
Councillor at Large Gordon Cuthbertson  
Crook Councillor Brian Wright  
Scoble Councillor Brian Kurikka

**REGRETS:** Pardee Councillor Curtis Coulson

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

**1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:**

- (a) Call to Order: Mayor Thibert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and provided a land acknowledgement.
- (b) Attendance: Attendance was recorded.
- (c) Town Hall Segment:  
There were no members of the public to speak during this portion of the meeting.
- (d) Accept/Amend the Agenda:

Res. No. 2023-05-118

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson  
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for this regular meeting of Council be amended by adding:

- a) As Item 4.7, correspondence relating to East Oliver Lake; and
- b) As Item 7.2, a report regarding personnel matters.

**CARRIED ✓**

- (e) Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

**2. HEAR DEPUTATIONS FROM AUDIENCE MEMBERS**

**2.1 BDO will address Council regarding 2022 Financial Statements**

Kristen Spithoff presented the financial statements and responded to questions.

Res. No. 2023-05-119

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor Thibert

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accept the financial statements and authorize the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer to sign them.

CARRIED ✓

2.2 Susan Hacquoil will address Council regarding a Waterline on Road Allowance

Susan Hacquoil presented a request for Council to reconsider a request to remove a waterline and well from unopened municipal road allowance. Council will consider the request at a later Council meeting.

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

3.1 Minutes of the Public Meeting held on April 26, 2023

(Recommendation to approve the minutes, with any error corrections, as required.)

3.2 Minutes of the Open Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 3, 2023

(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.)

3.3 Minutes of the meeting of the Cemetery Board held on May 1, 2023

(Recommendation to receive the minutes)

3.4 Minutes of the meeting of the Neebing Recreation Committee held on May 8, 2023

(Recommendation to receive the minutes)

3.5 Voucher Report for the previous month

(Recommendation to approve the vouchers.)

3.6 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Administrative Activity

(Recommendation to receive the report for information)

3.7 Report from Working Roads Foreman Regarding Departmental Activity in the preceding month

(Recommendation to receive the report for information)

3.8 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Departmental Activity in the preceding month

(Recommendation to receive the report for information)

3.9 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Exclusion of Certain Liabilities from the 2023 Budget

(Recommendation to receive the report for information.)

3.10 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Format of Tax Sales

(Recommendation to receive the report for information.)

3.11 Correspondence from Thunder Bay District Social Services Board, received May 4, Regarding 2022 Levy Surplus Disposition

(Recommendation to receive the correspondence for information.)

Res. No. 2023-05-120

Moved by: Councillor Wright  
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

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 3.11 and the Closed Session (Item 7.1), with any error corrections, as required.)

**CARRIED ✓**

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

**4.1 Verbal Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Recommendations from Committee of the Whole**

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2023-05-121

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson  
Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

WHEREAS Council considers that approval of the application brought by Randy McAllister, the owner, to sever one parcels from property on Klages Road for the purposes of creating one new lot represents good planning;

AND WHEREAS Council considers that the proposed locations for the severed and retained lots will not result in negative impacts to any nearby residential property owners;

AND WHEREAS Council recognizes that the approval of the application will not result in any additional service requirements from the Municipality,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, a public meeting having been held with respect to the application by Randy McAllister, the owner, relative to property with municipal address of 243 Klages Road, legally described as Concession 4, Part Lot 3, Parts 1 and 4 on Reference Plan 55R11068, Parcel 26629 in the geographic Scoble Township and the District of Thunder Bay; the consent requested in Application B05-2023, as submitted, be approved, subject to the following conditions:

1. A survey is finalized and registered;
2. A driveway entrance for the severed parcel is approved by the Working Roads Foreman;
3. Satisfactory approval from the Thunder Bay District Health Unit relating to adequacy of the severed lot for septic services is obtained;
4. If it is not already in Municipal Ownership, that portion of Klages Road that is adjacent to the Severed Lot is transferred to the Municipality, free of encumbrances, and at no cost to the Municipality; and
5. Conveyance of the lot and road allowance must occur within twenty-four (24) months of the date that this decision becomes final and binding.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.2 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Trailer By-law

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2023-05-122

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to proceed with enforcement of the trailer by-law, as discussed;

AND THAT Council directs Administration to bring forward an amendment to the by-law to include park model in the definition of trailer.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.3 Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Regarding 2023 Budget

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2023-05-123

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to make the amendments to the 2023 budget, as outlined in the report.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.4 Correspondence from Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, received May 11, 2023, Regarding AMO Delegation Requests

Members present reviewed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2023-05-124

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Hill

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to submit the following requests for delegations at the AMO Conference:

- Ministry of Long-Term Care regarding a senior's development
- Ministry of Transportation regarding snowmobile crossing at Pigeon River; and
- Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding the Pigeon River Provincial Park.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.5 Correspondence from Courageous K9, received March 1, 2023, Regarding Sponsorship Renewal

Members present reviewed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2023-05-124

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to renew the Sponsorship with Courageous K9 for 2023.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.6 Correspondence from Food Cycle Science, received May 10, 2023, Regarding Letter of Support to Impact Canada

Members present reviewed the correspondence.

Res. No. 2023-05-125

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka

Seconded by: Councillor Hill

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports Food Cycle Science's Stage 3 application for the Food Waste Reduction Challenge;

AND THAT Council directs Administration to send the letter of support appended to the correspondence.

**CARRIED ✓**

4.7 Correspondence from Kristen Kabernick, received May 15, 2023, Regarding East Oliver Lake

Members present reviewed the correspondence. This item was referred to the Roads Committee for review. No resolution was passed.

**5. BY-LAWS**

5.1 By-law 2023-022 to Set Tax Ratios

Res. No. 2023-05-226

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2023-022 to set tax ratios, be passed as presented.

**CARRIED ✓**

5.2 By-law 2023-023 to Set Tax Rates

Res. No. 2023-05-227

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2023-023 to set tax rates, be passed as presented.

**CARRIED ✓**

5.3 By-law 2023-024 to Adopt the 2023 Budget

Res. No. 2023-05-228

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka  
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2023-024 to adopt the 2023 budget, be passed as presented.

CARRIED ✓

**6. NEW BUSINESS - ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Cuthbertson advised that Neebing Fire Rescue Association will not be holding the tailgate sale this year. He feels this is a good event for the community and suggested that Council run a tailgate sale. Councillor Cuthbertson volunteered to help and Councillor Hill advised that she will talk to the Neebing Recreation Committee about the idea.

Councillor Wright inquired about a meeting date with the LRCA regarding the clean up of Cloud Lake Boat Launch.

Councillor Wright advised that he had attended the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration of Catherine Manelick.

Councillor Hill advised that the Mother's Day Tea was a big success.

Mayor Thibert advised that he will be losing his office partner and would like to give her a letter on behalf of Council thanking her for her service.

The Clerk-Treasurer introduced the new Economic Development Officer Intern to Council.

The Clerk-Treasurer advised that there was a Neebing clothing sample available for review and that the new Economic Development Officer Intern was working on finding other swag items. There was some discussion about a Neebing flag. Administration was directed to find a second flagpole for the municipal office.

The Clerk-Treasurer advised that there will be a Senior Elected Officials Emergency Management Workshop on June 14<sup>th</sup> in Conmee. Individual Councillors will advise if they can attend.

The Clerk-Treasurer advised that the local Parks Superintendent is available for a meeting regarding the Pigeon River Provincial Park. Mayor Thibert, Councillor Cuthbertson and Councillor Kurikka advised that they will participate in the meeting.

**7. CLOSED SESSION**

Res. No. 2023-05-229

Moved by: Councillor Hill  
Seconded by: Councillor Cuthbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 7:49 p.m. Council will enter closed session under those paragraphs of Subsection 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 for which the meeting was closed, to consider item 7.1 (minutes of the Closed session of the prior Council meeting); and

Under paragraph 239(2)(b) to consider item 7.2, involving personal matters about identifiable individuals.

**CARRIED ✓**

During Closed session the following resolution was passed.

Res. No. 2023-05-230

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 8:10 p.m., Council rise from closed session and report in open session.

**CARRIED ✓**

**7.1 Minutes of the Closed Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 3, 2023**

This item was approved as part of the consent agenda.

**7.2 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Personnel Matters**

Res. No. 2023-05-231

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, with respect to Item 7.2 on this evening's Closed Session Agenda, Council authorizes Administration to proceed as directed in Closed Session.

**CARRIED ✓**

**8. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

**8.1 By-law 2023-025, to confirm the proceedings of the meeting**

Res. No. 2023-05-232

Moved by: Councillor Gardner

Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2023-025, 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 Thibert adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.



Mark Thibert  
MAYOR

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL



Erika Kromm  
CLERK-TREASURER