

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

Held in person at the Municipal Office and using Teams Web Conference System
On Wednesday, September 18, 2024

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

STAFF: Erika Kromm, Clerk-Treasurer

REGRETS: Blake Councillor Katherine Hill

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:**

No one attended the town hall segment.

(d) **Accept/Amend the Agenda:**

Res. No. 2024-09-245

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for this regular meeting of Council be accepted.

CARRIED ✓

(e) **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. HEAR DEPUTATIONS FROM AUDIENCE MEMBERS

2.1 **Council will make a presentation to the Medical Bursary recipient**

Mayor Thibert presented to 2024 Medical Bursary to Tyana Lafontaine.

3. CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- 3.1 Minutes of the Open Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 4, 2024
(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 Amended Minutes of the meeting of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority held on May 29, 2024
(Recommendation to receive the minutes)
- 3.3 Minutes of the meeting of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority held on June 27, 2024
(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 Fire Chief Regarding Departmental Activity
(Recommendation to receive the report for information)
- 3.6 Report from CEMC Regarding Annual Review of Emergency Management Program and Response Plan
(Recommendation to adopt the revised program and response plan.)
- 3.7 Correspondence from Ministry of Natural Resources, received September 11, 2024, Regarding Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program
(Recommendation to receive the correspondence for information.)

Res. No. 2024-009-246

Moved by: Councillor Cuthbertson

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

CARRIED ✓

4. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED REQUIRING DIRECTION:

- 4.1 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Emergency First Responder Attendance Policy

Members present reviewed the report.

Res. No. 2024-09-247

Moved by: Councillor Coulson

Seconded by: Councillor wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Emergency First Responder Attendance Policy appended to the report.

CARRIED ✓

4.2 Report from Fire Chief Regarding Training Exercises

Members present discussed the report. The department was directed to notify nearby residents before the training exercises begin.

Res. No. 2024-09-248

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka
Seconded by: Councillor Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Neebing Emergency Services training exercises in October and November as outlined in the report.

CARRIED ✓

4.3 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Draft Salary Administration Policy

Members present discussed the report. Administration was directed to bring forward the salary administration policy to the next meeting with some amendments related market comparisons.

4.4 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding TBDML Strategic Plan Action Items

Members present discussed the report.

Res. No. 2024-09-248

Moved by: Councillor Gardner
Seconded by: Councillor Wright

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the proposed Thunder Bay District Municipal League Strategic Plan Action Items,

AND THAT Neebing Council has identified a few key initiatives from the action items to work on and will look to the Thunder Bay District Municipal League for support.

CARRIED ✓

4.5 Report from Clerk-Treasurer Regarding Nuclear Deep Geological Repository

Members present discussed the report. Administration was directed to draft a resolution to bring forward to the next meeting that expresses Council's concerns about transportation safety, in particular around driver training, weather and possible terrorist threats.

5. BY-LAWS

5.1 By-law 2024-039 to adopt the Emergency Response Plan and Program

Res. No. 2024-009-249

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka
Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-039 to adopt the Emergency Response Plan and Program, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.2 By-law 2024-040 to amend the Fees By-law

Res. No. 2024-009-250

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka

Seconded by: Councillor Cuthbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-040 to amend the fees by-law, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.3 By-law 2024-041 to amend the Landfill By-law

Res. No. 2024-009-251

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Coulson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-041 to amend the landfill by-law, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

5.4 By-law 2024-042 to amend the Blake Hall By-law

Res. No. 2024-009-252

Moved by: Councillor Kurikka

Seconded by: Councillor Cuthbertson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-042 to amend the Blake Hall by-law, be passed.

CARRIED ✓

6. **NEW BUSINESS - ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Coulson stated that the Blake Hall 100th anniversary went well. The attendance on Friday night was a little low but Saturday had good attendance. He advised that some work needs to be done on the covered rink to close in the dormers.

Councillor Cuthbertson stated that Karen Coulson and the Recreation Committee should be recognized for all the work they did to organize the Blake Hall 100th anniversary.

Mayor Thibert was very impressed with what a small community could pull together, in reference to the Blake Hall 100th.

Councillor Kurikka advised that more monitoring was needed at the landfill sites to ensure recycling materials were placed in the correct place. Administration was directed to draft a letter to staff and to post a notice that the good neighbour sheds could be closed if compliance with the rules does not improve.

Councillor Gardner advised that a contractor was chipping wood in the ditch along Wamsley Road. Administration was directed to ensure that the contractor will clean up the ditch, fix the road and use the proper signage while work is ongoing.

7. CLOSED SESSION

7.1 Minutes of the Closed Session portion of the Regular Meeting of Council held on August 7, 2024

This item was approved as part of the consent agenda.

8. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

8.1 By-law 2024-043, to confirm the proceedings of the meeting.

Res. No. 2024-09-253

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Kurikka

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-043, 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 7:18 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL



Mark Thibert
MAYOR



Erika Kromm
CLERK-TREASURER

