

MEETING NO. 1

OF THE

COUNCIL

OF THE

TOWN OF MARATHON

Held in Council Chambers, Town Hall and Live Streamed on Facebook Live on Monday, January 9, 2023.

Present: R. Dumas - Mayor (attended virtually, not Chair)
 R. Lake - Acting Mayor
 Z. Souckey - Councillor
 T. Wheeler - Councillor
 K. Skworchinski - Student Councillor
 O. Zelek - Student Councillor
 D. Skworchinski - CAO/Clerk

Also
 Present: A. Gauthier - Corporate Resources Manager
 E. Grigg - Emergency Services Manager/Fire Chief
 L. Lees - Deputy Clerk
 M. Paris - Works, Operations, Facilities & Parks Manager
 T. Souckey - Acting Community Services Manager
 C. Verbo - Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer

Absent: G. Vallance - Councillor
 E. Grigg - Emergency Services Manager/Fire Chief

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1. The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

2. **ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Acting Mayor Lake asked members for any additions or deletions to the Agenda and hearing none proceeded with the meeting.

MOTION #001/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the Agenda for the Monday, January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Acting Mayor Lake asked members for any disclosure of interest and hearing none proceeded with the meeting.

4. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, December 12, 2022, were presented.

MOTION #002/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, December 12, 2022, as circulated.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATION:**

- a) David Giuliano was in attendance to present a proposal to members with regard to opportunities related to sustainability and an emergency carbon neutral economy.

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) No items were received.

7. **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

- a) No items were received.

8. **STUDENT COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

- a) Student Councillors provided verbal updates on the initiatives happening at the Marathon High School.

9. **C.A.O. REPORTS:**

- a) Verbal Update on 2023 Budget and Strategic Planning.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, provided a verbal update on the 2023 Budget and 2023 – 2026 Strategic Planning processes.

10. **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:**

- a) Report on Seniors Citizens Club Lease Agreement.

Tessa Souckey, Acting Community Services Manager, reviewed the report in its entirety. Ms. Souckey recommended that the town enter into a three-year lease renewal with the Marathon Seniors Citizens Club and that the appropriate by-law be presented later in the meeting.

MOTION #003/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Seniors Citizens Club Lease Agreement;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting approving a lease agreement between the Town of Marathon and the Marathon Senior Citizen Club.

CARRIED

- b) Report on 2022 Tax Adjustments.

Chuck Verbo, Finance & Administration Manager, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that \$99,250.18 as detailed in the report be written off in 2022.

MOTION #004/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2022 Tax Adjustments;

AND FURTHER THAT the amount of \$99,250.18 (as detailed in the report) be written off in 2022.

CARRIED

c) Report on 2023 Interim Tax Levy.

Chuck Verbo, Finance & Administration Manager, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting authorizing Administration to issue the 2023 interim tax levy.

MOTION #005/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2023 Interim Tax Levy;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting authorizing Administration to issue the 2023 interim tax levy.

CARRIED

d) Report on 2023 Water and Sewer Billing.

Chuck Verbo, Finance & Administration Manager, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting approving the collection of the 2023 water and sewer charges.

MOTION #006/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2023 Water and Sewer Billing;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting to provide for the billing and collection of the 2023 water and sewer charges.

CARRIED

11. **CHEQUE RUN:**

12. **REPORT OF APPOINTED MEMBERS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:**

a) No items were received.

13. **BY-LAWS:**

a) By-Law No. 2040, a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Marathon and the Senior Citizens Club, was presented.

MOTION #007/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2040, a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Marathon and the Senior Citizens Club, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 9th day of January, 2023.

CARRIED

b) By-Law No. 2041, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy for the year 2023, was presented.

MOTION #008/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2041, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy for the year 2023, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 9th day of January, 2023.

CARRIED

- c) By-Law No. 2042, a by-law to establish water rates and to provide for the billing and collection of these charges for the year 2023, was presented.

MOTION #009/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2042, a by-law to establish water rates and to provide for the billing and collection of these charges for the year 2023, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 9th day of January, 2023.

CARRIED

14. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) A request was received from the City of Stratford seeking support of their resolution pertaining to Via Rail service.

MOTION #010/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from the City of Stratford pertaining to Via Rail service;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to the individuals listed on the originating resolution.

CARRIED

- b) A request was received from the City of Kingston seeking support of their resolution pertaining to the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act.

MOTION #011/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from the City of Kingston pertaining to the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to the individuals listed on the originating resolution.

CARRIED

- c) A request was received from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming seeking support of their resolution pertaining to CN Railway Contribution Requirements under the Draining Act and Impacts on Municipal Drain Infrastructure in Ontario.

MOTION #012/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
Seconded by: Z. Souckey
Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming pertaining to CN Railway Contribution Requirements under the Draining Act and Impacts on Municipal Drain Infrastructure in Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to the individuals listed on the originating resolution.

CARRIED

15. **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL INFORMATION:**

- a) No items were received.

16. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

17. **ADJOURN:**

MOTION #013/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
Seconded by: T. Wheeler
Resolved: THAT we do now adjourn at the hour of 4:59 p.m.

CARRIED

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Acting Mayor

(SEAL)

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Clerk