

MEETING NO. 9

OF THE

COUNCIL

OF THE

TOWN OF MARATHON

Held in Council Chambers, Town Hall and Streamed on Facebook Live on Monday, May 8, 2023

Present:	R. Dumas	-	Mayor
	R. Lake	-	Councillor
	Z. Souckey	-	Councillor
	G. Vallance	-	Councillor
	T. Wheeler	-	Councillor
	K. Skworchinski	-	Student Councillor
	O. Zelek	-	Student Councillor
	D. Skworchinski	-	CAO/Clerk

Also
Present:

A. Gauthier	-	Corporate Resources Manager
L. Lees	-	Deputy Clerk (Virtually)
M. Paris	-	Works, Operations, Facilities & Parks Manager
T. Souckey	-	Acting Community Services Manager
C. Verbo	-	Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer

Absent: S. Goodchild - Communications Manager/Deputy Clerk

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1. The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

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

Mayor Dumas asked members for any additions or deletions to the Agenda and the following item was added:

16. Announcements: Councillor Vallance will provide information regarding the upcoming Chamber of Commerce Business Awards.

MOTION #076/23: Moved by: R. Lake
Seconded by: G. Vallance
Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the Agenda for
the Monday, May 8, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council as amended.

CARRIED

3. Mayor Dumas 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, April 24, 2023, were presented.

MOTION #077/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 24, 2023, as circulated.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATION:**

- a) No items were received.

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) No items were received.

7. **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

- a) No items were received.

8. **STUDENT COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

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

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

- a) Report on 2023 – 2026 Corporate Strategic Plan.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Skworchinski recommended that the 2023 – 2026 Corporate Strategic Plan be accepted as presented.

MOTION #078/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2023 – 2026 Corporate Strategic Plan;

AND FURTHER THAT Council adopts the 2023 – 2026 Corporate Strategic Plan as presented.

CARRIED

- b) Report on Appointment of Acting Fire Chief.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Skworchinski recommended that the appropriate by-law be adopted appointing an Acting Fire Chief.

MOTION #079/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on Appointment of Acting Fire Chief;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting appointing an Acting Emergency Services Manager/Fire Chief.

CARRIED

c) Report on New Fees and Charges – 2023.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Skworchinski recommended that the appropriate by-laws be adopted amending the Town's fees and charges and the Town's traffic and parking by-law.

MOTION #080/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on New Fees and Charges – 2023;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law(s) be adopted amending the changes as described in the report.

CARRIED

10. **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

a) Report on Investment Policy – Annual Treasurer's Report.

Chuck Verbo, Finance and Administration Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo noted that the report was being presented for members information purposes only.

b) Report on 2023 Tax Ratios.

Chuck Verbo, Finance and Administration Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that the appropriate by-law be adopted accepting the 2023 Tax Ratios, confirm Property Classes and to set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Sub-classes for the 2023 taxation year.

MOTION #081/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2023 Tax Ratios;

AND FURTHER THAT the appropriate by-law be adopted later in the meeting establishing the tax ratios, confirming property classes and setting the tax rate reductions for prescribed property sub-class for 2023.

CARRIED

c) Report on 2023 Budget – Excluded Expenses.

Chuck Verbo, Finance and Administration Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the report in its entirety. Mr. Verbo recommended that Council accepts the exclusion of amortization, post-employment benefits expenses and landfill closure expenses from the 2023 budget process.

MOTION #082/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: G. Vallance
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the attached report and recommendation on 2023 Budget – Excluded Expenses;

AND FURTHER THAT Council accepts the exclusion of amortization, post-employment benefit expenses and landfill closure expenses from the 2023 budget process.

CARRIED

11. **CHEQUE RUN:**

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

- a) Members provided verbal highlights of their attendance at the recently held NOMA Conference.

13. **BY-LAWS:**

- a) By-Law No. 2051, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 2038, being a by-law to authorize the establishment of Fees and Charges for the Town of Marathon for the year ending December 31, 2023, was presented.

MOTION #083/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2051, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 2038, being a by-law to authorize the establishment of Fees and Charges for the Town of Marathon for the year ending December 31, 2023, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of May, 2023.

CARRIED

- b) By-Law No. 2052, a By-Law to set Tax Ratios, confirm Property Classes and to set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Sub-classes for the Town of Marathon for the 2023 taxation year, was presented.

MOTION #084/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2052, a By-Law to set Tax Ratios, confirm Property Classes and to set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Sub-classes for the Town of Marathon for the 2023 taxation year, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of May, 2023.

CARRIED

- c) By-Law No. 2053, being a by-law to repeal By-Law No. 1985, being a by-law to appoint an Emergency Services Manager/Fire Chief, for The Corporation of the Town of Marathon, was presented.

MOTION #085/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: R. Lake
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2053, being a by-law to repeal By-Law No. 1985, being a by-law to appoint an Emergency Services Manager/Fire Chief, for The Corporation of the Town of Marathon, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of May, 2023.

CARRIED

- d) By-Law No. 2054, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 1885, being a by-law to consolidate, repeal and replace the by-laws that regulate traffic and parking on highways, in parking lots, on municipal and private property within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Marathon, was presented.

MOTION #086/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2054, being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 1885, being a by-law to consolidate, repeal and replace the by-laws that regulate traffic and parking on highways, in parking lots, on municipal and private property within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Marathon, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of May, 2023.

CARRIED

14. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) A request was received from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities seeking support of their resolution pertaining to bail reform.

MOTION #087/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: G. Vallance
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the resolution received from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities pertaining to bail reform;

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

CARRIED

- b) A request was received from the Town of Bracebridge seeking support of their resolution pertaining to School Bus Stop Arm Cameras.

MOTION #088/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the resolution received from the Town of Bracebridge pertaining to School Bus Stop Arm Cameras;

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

CARRIED

- c) A request was received from the Municipality of Shuniah seeking support of their resolution pertaining to Enbridge Charges. Members agreed to table this item.
- d) A request was received from the Region of Waterloo seeking support of their resolution pertaining to Privacy of Candidate Donors.

MOTION #089/23: Moved by: R. Lake
 Seconded by: G. Vallance
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the resolution received from the Region of Waterloo pertaining to Privacy of Candidate Donors;

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

CARRIED

15. **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL INFORMATION:**

- a) No items were received.

16. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Councillor Vallance provided information regarding the upcoming Chamber of Commerce Business Awards.

Mayor Dumas provided information about derelict and inoperable vehicles and the upcoming enforcement blitz.

Pitch-In Day is May 13, 2023 and Administration highlighted the process for the day.

17. **ADJOURN:**

<u>MOTION #090/23:</u>	Moved by:	R. Lake
	Seconded by:	T. Wheeler
	Resolved:	THAT we do now adjourn at the hour of
	5:14 p.m.	

CARRIED

(SEAL)

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Mayor

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Clerk