

MEETING NO. 13

OF THE

COUNCIL

OF THE

TOWN OF MARATHON

Held in Council Chambers, Town Hall and Streamed on Facebook Live on Monday, August 28, 2023.

Present: R. Dumas - Mayor
 Z. Souckey - Councillor
 G. Vallance - Councillor
 T. Wheeler - Councillor
 D. Skworchinski - CAO/Clerk

Also Present: A. Gauthier - Corporate Resources Manager
 S. Goodchild - Communications Manager/Deputy Clerk
 L. Lees - Deputy Clerk
 M. Paris - Works, Operations, Facilities & Parks Manager
 T. Souckey - Community Services Manager
 C. Verbo - Administration & Finance Manager/Treasurer

Absent R. Lake - Councillor

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1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

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

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

MOTION #134/23: Moved by: Z. Souckey
 Seconded by: G. Vallance
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby accepts the Agenda for the Monday, August 28, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council as circulated.

CARRIED

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

4. Minutes Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, June 26, 2023, the Special Meetings of Council held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, and Tuesday, August 15, 2023, and Closed Meetings of Council held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 and Monday, July 24, 2023, were presented.

MOTION #135/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, June 26, 2023, the Special Meetings of Council held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, and Tuesday, August 15, 2023, and Closed Meetings of Council held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 and Monday, July 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) No items were received.

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

- a) Verbal Report on Domestic Fowl Status Review.

Daryl Skworchinski, CAO/Clerk, provided a verbal update that domestic fowl pilot project is still under review. This report was for Councils information only.

10. **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:**

- a) No items were received.

11. **CHEQUE RUN:**

A motion to approve the cheque registers for June and July 2023, were presented.

MOTION #136/23: Moved by:

Seconded by:

Resolved: THAT the following (June & July, 2023) cheque runs be approved for payment:

June

Accounts Payable: \$1,597,631.02

Payroll: \$ 234,613.71

July

Accounts Payable: \$1,022,964.02

Payroll: \$ 201,740.58

CARRIED

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

- a) Mayor Dumas, Councillor Wheeler, and Daryl Skworchinski each provided an update on their attendance at the AMO conference. Highlights included meetings with ministers regarding the Active Living Centre project, LNG project, tiny homes development, housing, and climate change.

13. **BY-LAWS:**

- a) By-Law No. 2060 Being a by law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Wilderness Helicopters for a bare land lease at the Marathon Municipal Airport, was presented.

MOTION #137/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: T. Wheeler
 Resolved: THAT By-Law No. 2060 Being a by law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Wilderness Helicopters for a bare land lease at the Marathon Municipal Airport, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 28^h day of August, 2023.

CARRIED

14. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) A request from the Franco-Ontario regarding the raising of the Franco-Ontario flag and requesting September 25th be declared Franco-Ontarian Day in and for the Town of Marathon, was presented.

MOTION #138/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
 Seconded by: Z. Souckey
 Resolved: Whereas by the virtue of the Franco-Ontarian Day Act, which was legislated on April 26, 2010, it is declared that September 25th of each year be recognized as Franco-Ontarian Day throughout the province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS September 25th is the anniversary of the first raising of the Franco-Ontarian flag and it represents over 400 years of French presence in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS there are more than 745 000 Francophones in Ontario, the largest Francophone community outside of Quebec;

AND WHEREAS Franco-Ontarian Day has become an annual occasion to celebrate the Francophone Community:

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, that I, Rick Dumas, by the virtue of the power vested in me as the Mayor of the Town of Marathon, do hereby proclaim September 25th as Franco-Ontarian Day and join the Francophone Community in celebrating its exceptional contribution to Ontario's growth and prosperity.

CARRIED

- b) A request has been received from the Northern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) seeking support of their resolution pertaining to "Housing Resolution". was presented.

MOTION #139/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
 Seconded by: G. Vallance
 Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from Northern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) pertaining to "Housing Resolution";

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

CARRIED

- c) A request has been received from the Town of Fort Erie seeking support of their resolution pertaining to "Controls on AirBnb, VRBO and others which affect Municipal Rentals", was presented.

MOTION #140/23: Moved by: T. Wheeler
Seconded by: G. Vallance
Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from the Town of Fort Erie pertaining to “Controls on AirBnb, VRBO and others which affect Municipal Rentals”.

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

CARRIED

- d) A request has been received from the Township of Emo seeking support of their resolution pertaining to “Black Ash Tree Classification”, was presented.

MOTION #141/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
Seconded by: Z. Souckey
Resolved: THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution received from the Township of Emo pertaining to “Black Ash Tree Classification”.

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

CARRIED

15. **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL INFORMATION:**

- a) No items were received.

16. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

17. **ADJOURN:**

MOTION #142/23: Moved by: G. Vallance
Seconded by: T. Wheeler
Resolved: THAT we do now adjourn at the hour of 4:28 p.m.

CARRIED

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Mayor

(SEAL)

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Clerk