THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HEARST

Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on November 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers at the Town Hall, 925 Alexandra Street, Hearst, Ontario.

Present: Acting Mayor Conrad Morin

Councillor André Rhéaume
Councillor Daniel Lemaire
Councillor Claude Gagnon
Councillor Raymond Vermette

Staff: CAO Yves Morrissette

Clerk Janine Lecours

Absent: Mayor Roger Sigouin (Town Business)

Councillor Gérard Proulx (Illness)

1. OPENING OF MEETING

Resolution No. 374-17

Proposed by: Councillor Claude Gagnon Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that this regular meeting of Council be hereby opened at

6 p.m.

CARRIED

2. OPENING PRAYER

The Acting Mayor recites the opening prayer.

3. ADOPTION OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Resolution No. 375-17

Proposed by : Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by : Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby waives the rules of procedures to add to the agenda the execution of an agreement with Canada Infrastructure for funding under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (11. d) Finances iv)).

CARRIED

4. PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

Resolution No. 376-17

Proposed by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire Seconded by: Councillor André Rhéaume

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 77-17, being a by-law to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on October 31, 2017 and of the special meeting dated November 16, 2017, be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

6. HEARING AND PUBLIC MEETING

7. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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8. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution No. 377-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that the list of correspondence presented at the November 21, 2017 regular meeting of Council be hereby filed.

CARRIED

9. REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Resolution No. 378-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Claude Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that Council takes note of the reports and minutes of meetings of :

- Non-Profit Housing Corporation dated September 13 and October 25, 2017
- Porcupine Health Unit dated September 15, 2017
- Hearst Public Library Board dated October 25, 2017.

CARRIED

10. REPORT OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The Chief Administrative Officer briefs members of Council on the various municipal ongoing projects. The written report is appended hereto.

11. FUNCTIONS OF COUNCIL

a) Report from the Operations Working Group

i) Solid Non-Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Inspection Report

Resolution No. 379-17

Proposed by: Councillor Claude Gagnon Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that the Solid Non-Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Inspection Report for the Town of Hearst Waste Disposal Site as prepared by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, be hereby noted.

CARRIED

ii) Free parking in downtown area until December 31st, 2019

Resolution No. 380-17

Proposed by: Councillor Claude Gagnon Seconded by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 78-17, being a by-law to make an exception to Traffic By-law No. 17-81 in order to allow free parking in the downtown area on Friday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and all day on Saturdays, for a period ending on December 31st, 2019, be hereby adopted.

iii) Revision of Workplace Health and Safety Policy

Resolution No. 381-17

Proposed by: Councillor Claude Gagnon Seconded by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that the revised version of the Workplace Health and Safety policy, dated November 21, 2017, be hereby approved.

CARRIED

iv) Adoption of the Public Works Working Group Report

Resolution No. 382-17

Proposed by: Councillor Claude Gagnon Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that the report from the Public Works Working Group dated

November 14, 2017 be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

b) Report from the Planning Working Group

Nil

Report from the Parks and Recreation Working Group c)

Nil

d) Report from the Finance Working Group

Agreement with Paymentus for on-line and/or credit card or debit i) card payment option

Resolution No. 383-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 79-17, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Paymentus for the on-line and/or credit or debit card payment option for municipal invoices, be hereby adopted.

AGAINST:

Councillor Raymond Vermette

CARRIED

Agreement with FCM for the financing of the Town of Hearst Asset ii) Management Program development

Resolution No. 384-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 80-17, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for financing of the development of the Town of Hearst Asset Management Program, be hereby adopted.

iii) Agreement with The Public Sector Digest Inc. to deliver and develop Asset Management Program

Resolution No. 385-17

Proposed by : Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by : Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 81-17, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with The Public Sector Digest Inc. to deliver and develop the Town of Hearst Asset Management Program, be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

iv) Cancellation of Custom Sawmill property taxes

Resolution No. 386-17

Proposed by : Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by : Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that the cancellation of the tax arrears amounting to \$2,937.44 for the properties commonly known as Custom Sawmill, located on Gaspésie Road, under Roll Nos. 010-005-27500-000, 010-005-28000 and 010-005-28400 be hereby approved.

CARRIED

v) Cancellation of parking tickets deemed irrecoverable

Resolution No. 387-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that the list of parking tickets issued to out-of-province vehicles for the period of April 2016 to August 2017 totaling \$224.00 and deemed to be irrecoverable, be hereby cancelled.

CARRIED

vi) Donation to Diabetes Canada in the name of MichCanSka

Resolution No. 388-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby approves a donation to the Diabetes Canada in the name of MichCanSka in the amount of \$150.

CARRIED

vii) List of cheques issued from general fund

Resolution No. 389-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Claude Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that the list of cheques issued from the general fund namely cheques number 27037 to 27364 for a total of \$1,400,014.87, be hereby approved.

CARRIED

viii) Adoption of the Finance Working Group Report

Resolution No. 390-17

Proposed by : Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by : Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that the report from the Finance Working Group dated

November 16, 2017 be hereby adopted.

ix) Agreement with OMAFRA for funding of the Entrepreneurial Community Project

Resolution No. 391-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 82-17, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for funding of the Entrepreneurial Community project of the Hearst Economic Development Corporation, be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

x) Agreement with Ministry of Infrastructure for funding under Clean Water and Wastewater Fund

Resolution No. 392-17

Proposed by: Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 83-17, being a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with the Ministry of Infrastructure for funding under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund, be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

e) Report from the Policy Working Group

i) Mayor's attendance to OFIA meeting in Toronto

Resolution No. 393-17

Proposed by: Councillor Raymond Vermette Seconded by: Councillor Claude Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorized to attend the Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA) meeting in Toronto on November 22, 2017.

CARRIED

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS / DEFERRED RESOLUTIONS

Nil

14. CLOSED MEETING

Resolution No. 394-17

Proposed by: Councillor Daniel Lemaire Seconded by: Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that Council go in closed meeting to discuss the results of the CUPE union negotiations (Section 239 2) d) of the Municipal Act).

CARRIED

Resolution No. 395-17

Proposed by: Councillor Raymond Vermette Seconded by: Councillor Claude Gagnon

BE IT RESOLVED that the regular meeting of Council resume and that the confidential report of proceedings of the closed meeting be hereby acknowledged for Council's information.

i) Ratification of the Memorandum of Settlement with CUPE

Resolution No. 396-17

Proposed by : Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by : Councillor Raymond Vermette

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law No. 84-17, being a by-law to ratify the Memorandum of Settlement dated November 17, 2017 with the Canadian Union of Public Employees and its Local 1536 for renewal of the Collective Agreement and further to authorize the execution of said Collective Agreement for a period of four years commencing on January 1st, 2017 and ending on December 31st, 2020, be hereby adopted.

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 397-17

Proposed by : Councillor André Rhéaume Seconded by : Councillor Daniel Lemaire

BEIT RESOLVED that this regular meeting of Council held on November 21, 2017

be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Acting Mayor	Clerk