

**Town of Norman Wells
Minutes
Regular Council Meeting #20-02
Tuesday, January 21st, 2020, 7:00pm
Council Chambers, Town of Norman Wells**

Present: Frank Pope Mayor
Alexis Peachey Deputy Mayor
Jean-Paul Bernard Councillor
Jim Boyle Councillor
Pascal Audet Councillor
Trevor Smith Councillor

Regrets: David Wever Councillor (Council Business)

Staff: Alex Millette Recreation Manager
Cathy Clarke Senior Administrative Officer
Hugo Pabke Utilities Manager
Jennifer Waterhouse Governance & Community Engagement Manager
Johannie Lapierre Development Officer
Misty Rayner Finance Manager
Randy Sinasac Fire Chief
Shawn Donahue Public Works Manager

Delegation: None

Guests: Denis Bibeau
Chris Chivers
Cindy Collier
Donald Fillmore NWT Housing Corporation
Dwayne Semple NWT Housing Corporation
Harold Harris
Nathan Watson
Norma Wall
Wayne Kakfwi

1. **Call to Order** 6:59PM

2. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Councillor Smith declared a conflict of interest with item 8a – Marten Avenue Project due to employment with NWT Housing. Accepted by Mayor Pope.

3. **Review and Adoption of Agenda**

'Be it resolved that the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting, dated January 21st, 2020 is hereby adopted.'

Motion: No. 20-02-01
Moved by: Councillor Peachey
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

Motion Carried

4. **Delegation**

a) RCMP – Cpl. Tim MacDonald Policing Report
Report submitted by Cpl. MacDonald.

5. **Departmental Reports** Second meeting of each month

a) Town Manager – Attached

b) Finance – Attached

c) Fire Department - Attached

The Fire Chief informed Council that the 2222 number has been cancelled. This will address the nuisance calls that were being made to the Fire line. A new line has been set up for 911 access.

d) Governance & Community Engagement – Attached

Beginning work on by-laws. Currently looking at Business license and Taxi license by-laws.

e) Lands – Attached

The RFP for the Community Plan was issued on January 16th.

A lease agreement has been signed with GNWT for space to place a gazebo lakeside at the new Territorial Quarry site. ITI has agreed to pay the annual lease payments. Details for the site will worked on once a timeline has been set up for the gazebo move in the spring.

f) Public Works – Attached

Councillor Audet inquired if the Fire Lane between the Northern and the old MACA building could be plowed. The Public Works Manager will check to see if Town Property and address it. Inquiry as to who the bulletin board outside the old MACA building belongs to. Council believes it belongs to MACA.

g) Recreation - Attached

The Recreation Manager recognized the hard work of the recreation staff over the holidays. Currently conducting interviews to fill the vacancy for the Recreation Coordinator position.

h) Utilities - Attached

There were several freeze ups over the holidays which is common at this time of year. The Utilities Manager informed Council that one of the underdrain filters at the Water Treatment Facility is out of service. The manager is looking at options and has requested quotes for the repair. The manager will bring this to Council as soon as they are received. Mayor Pope directed the Manager to bring to the next CoW meeting or contact the SAO if action is required before the next Regular Council Meeting.

6. Committee Reports

a) Recreation Committee - none

b) Economic Development Committee - none

c) Town Planning and Land Use Committee – Attached

7. Minutes

a) Regular Meeting of Council #20-01

Resolution

'Be it resolved that the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, dated January 7, 2020 are hereby adopted as amended.'

Motion: No. 20-02-02
Moved by: Councillor Audet
Seconded by: Councillor Boyle

Motion Carried

b) Regular Meeting of Council #20-01

Resolution

'Be it resolved that the Minutes for the Committee of the Whole Meeting, dated January 15, 2020 are hereby adopted as amended.'

Motion: No. 20-02-03
Moved by: Councillor Peachey
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

Motion Carried

8. Old Business

Councillor Smith left Council Chambers at 7:15PM

a) Marten Avenue Project

'Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby authorizes Administration to conclude the presented agreement for sale (as attached) of the future lots (as attached) for the following price once the land is subdivided and surveyed:

Lot A: \$23,560
Lot B: \$24,240
Lot C: \$24,160.'

Motion: No. 20-02-04
Moved by: Councillor Audet
Seconded by: Councillor Peachey

Motion Carried

Councillor Smith returned to Council Chambers at 7:17PM

9. New Business

a) Denis Bibeau Project – Extension

'Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby approves the variance of a six-month extension to start the development on the lot.'

Motion: No. 20-02-05
Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Peachey

Motion Carried

b) Denis Bibeau Project – Variance

Council Requested that the Development Officer provide a brief summary of the variance request. The Town Planning Committee recommends approval on condition that the height complies with NAV Canada regulations. It was confirmed that it is the applicants' responsibility to obtain the approval from NAV Canada.

Discussion around the use of Seacans for the foundation. This does not violate current property standards and zoning by-laws. The Town Manager recommended consideration of this topic as part of the Community Plan.

'Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby approves a variance of 1.6m for the height of the proposed house on the condition that it complies with NAV Canada regulations.'

Motion: No. 20-02-06
Moved by: Councillor Peachey
Seconded by: Councillor Audet

Motion Carried

c) Municipal Lease Agreement
No discussion

'Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby authorizes Administration to apply the enforcement process permitted under the Commercial Tenancies Act in order to terminate the lease agreement and recover the rental fees.'

Motion: No. 20-02-07
Moved by: Councillor Peachey
Seconded by: Councillor Boyle

Motion Carried

d) Community Plan Project Lead
No discussion

'Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Norman Wells appoints Councillor Wever to be the Council Liaison on the Community Plan Project.'

Motion: No. 20-02-08
Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Peachey

Motion Carried

10. Council Forum

Councillor Bernard – Directed a question to Public Works about plowing of the Woodland Avenue trail to the school. Public Works try to plow the trail once per week. The Bobcat is out of service waiting for new tracks. Once they are replaced the trail will be plowed.

Councillor Audet – Inquired whether the road to Jackfish Lake is being maintained this winter. The Town Manager stated that it is being cleared as far as the gun range. Council directed Administration to look at the road and see if it can be cleared all the way up to Jackfish.

Councillor Boyle – Nothing

Councillor Peachey – Nothing

Councillor Smith – Inquired on behalf of the Curling Club whether there was an update on the LED light switch. The Town Manager will follow up on it.

Mayor Pope – Directed Administration to arrange a meeting with the President of Canadian North to discuss pricing and scheduling. Directed Administration to arrange a meeting with Imperial Oil to get an update on their operations and to discuss their vacant houses. The Mayor stated that there is a

housing crisis in the community and Council would like to know what their plans are related to their vacant houses. The Public Works Manager indicated that at the last meeting with IORL that they indicated they would get back to the Town about the houses but there has been no response. Last Sunday Sahtu MLA, Minister Chinna, hosted an Open House at the Legion. Minister Chinna indicated that she will be visiting Council and bringing Health Minister. Council requested that Minister Chinna be asked to bring all Cabinet.

Mayor Pope requested that Council submit their three priorities to the Town Manager by the end of the week.

11. Correspondence to Council

a) Request for Comments on SLWB Item - Prohibition Creek Access Road Geotechnical Assessment
Council unanimously agreed they would like construction to move ahead immediately. They have no concerns with the project.

12. Correspondence from Council

- None

13. In Camera

'Be it resolved the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby go in camera the time being 7:45PM.'

Motion: No. 20-02-09
Moved by: Councillor Boyle
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

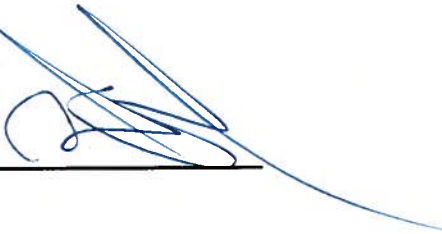
Motion Carried

'Be it resolved the Council of the Town of Norman Wells hereby leave in camera the time being 8:15PM.'

Motion: No. 20-02-10
Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Peachey

Motion Carried

14. Adjourn 8:16PM



Frank Pope
Mayor



Cathy Clarke
Senior Administrative Officer