

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING NO. 18  
July 4, 2017

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT

JUSTIN BROWN - MAYOR  
STACY BAUER – COUNCILOR  
CHRIS IRVIN – COUNCILOR  
BRENDA LEACH - COUNCILOR  
BRIAN LUND - COUNCILOR

PUBLIC  
  
Eric Little

ADMINISTRATION

CAM LOCKWOOD – CAO  
TERRI CLOSE – Municipal Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Brown.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION 017-18-115**

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Leach  
that:

Council adopt the agenda as presented:

- CARRIED –

**DECLARATION OF  
CONFLICT**

There were no conflicts of interest expressed.

**MINUTES**

**MOTION 017-18-116**

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

The minutes be adopted from the Regular Council meeting of June 20th as  
presented.

- CARRIED –

**REPORTS**

Administration provided an update on the Garden Bros. circus which is planned to be held in Watson Lake Thanksgiving day. There has been support from the community to attend this event. Council expressed concerns with the cost to hold the event as it will require extra staff to work the stat holiday. The rental for the venue will not cover the extra costs. Council suggested that more discussion is necessary to be held with the Circus event coordinator to request the additional costs to cover the expenses.

**DELEGATION**

Mr. Eric Little provided Council with information regarding a solar project that is being proposed for Watson Lake by Dynamic Microgrids. The project which has been supported by ATCO Electric will provide renewable power and storage facilities to reduce the cost of electricity. Dynamic is requesting access to lease a 6 acre parcel of Town owned property for this project. Council discussed the site that is being proposed as it is currently being held in reserve for Town requirements. Council agreed that the property can be utilized by both parties, and the rental of the property will generate revenue to the Town.

Council is open to discussion on a lease and Mr. Little agreed to liaise with the CAO and provide more information prior to a decision.

**PUBLIC  
HEARING**

**MOTION 017-18-117**

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Leach  
that:

The Public Hearing for By-Law 017-04, being a By-Law to amend the Official Community Plan 10-11 be open.

-CARRIED-

No written or verbal submissions were presented.

**MOTION 017-18-118**

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Leach  
that:

The Public Hearing be closed.

-CARRIED-

**ACCOUNTS  
PAYABLE**

**MOTION 017-18-119**

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

The payroll cheques #58221 through #58259 in the amount of \$51,484.93 and the Open Payables in the amount of \$42,030.51 be paid.

-CARRIED –

**BY-LAWS**

**MOTION 017-18-120**

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Leach  
that:

By-Law 17-04, being a By-Law to amend the Official Community Plan 10-11 be introduced for Second Reading.

-CARRIED –

**NEW & UNFINISHED**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
OFFICER POSITION**

Council was in receipt of a draft contract prepared by YG Regional Economic Development for discussion on hiring a Community Development Officer for the Town of Watson Lake to research and apply for various funding. Council agreed to support the position and the contract as presented.

**MOTION 017-18-121**

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

The Town proceed with the contract and the posting of the Community Development Officer position.

-CARRIED-

Council discussed a letter from Daylu Dena Council regarding a one-time capital contribution of \$6,000 and annual contribution of \$15,200 for acceptance of waste from Lower Post as well as the community of Good Hope Lake.

MOTION 017-18-122

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

Council agree to the request from Daylu Dena Council and Administration will update their Solid Waste permit accordingly.

-CARRIED-

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
INQUIRIES**

Administration provided Council with tentative dates scheduled for the first stage of the Departmental operational reviews that the Town committed to as part of the last negotiations.

Administration discussed the requirement to hire additional staff for the Public Works Department. Positions for an Equipment Operator and Water Treatment Operator are needed as the department is short staffed in these areas. Council will have to consider increases to cost of services in order to offset the cost of hiring the additional staff.

**IN-CAMERA**

MOTION 017-18-123

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

Council go In-Camera.

-CARRIED-

MOTION 017-18-124

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

Council revert to an open meeting.

-CARRIED-

MOTION 017-18-125

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

The Council meetings of July 18<sup>th</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup> be postponed to August 15<sup>th</sup>.

-CARRIED-

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 017-18-126

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Bauer  
that:

There being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 9.00 pm.

- CARRIED -

