

The Corporation of the Town of Spanish
Council Minutes
Regular Meeting of
Wednesday, May 17, 2023
7:00 p.m., Council Chambers

Present:	Karen Von Pickartz	Mayor
	Sandra Trudel	Deputy Mayor
	Mary-Louise Zarichney	Councillor
	Debra Joncas	Councillor
	Ted Clague	Councillor
	Pam Lortie	CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Excused:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for the disclosure of any pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof. None were disclosed.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION #23-05-24

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT agenda for the regular meeting of May 17, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Carried

DELEGATIONS:

Richard Paquette, Wenrick Kennels attended regarding a proposal for services.

- Has completed his certification (by-law enforcement)
- Business model is to service Spanish and surrounding area
- Looking at getting a third vehicle
- Has hired a second in command
- By-law enforcement is a slow process
- Would like Council to consider updating the property standards by-law (on current agenda)
- Adds provisions for dealing with vacant properties
- Adds ticketing process
- Ticketing process is expensive – look at Administrative Monetary Penalties (AMPs)
- Rather than cases being prosecuted in court, they would be heard by a Committee
- Collection can be added to property taxes

- would retain Provincial Offenses Part 3
- AMP fines are non-punitive in nature
- Everyday is a new offense if not corrected
- Provincial Offenses system is much more costly of a process
- Killarney has AMP system that is run through the building department
- In 5 years, there has been only one prosecution that is still before the courts
- Part 1 or AMP system is more fruitful than going directly to Part 3
- Contract for by-law enforcement and animal control includes travel, training, etc
- Animal control – still stray cats, but not as many, injured cats have been rescued, need cooperation from someone will to trap cats
- Has addressed some problem properties, re: cats and seems to be getting better

RESOLUTION #23-05-25

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Richard Paquette be thanked for his presentation to Council.

Carried

Scott Gardiner attended to present quote for temporary dock repairs.

- Floation is failing on the docks
- Current system is a good system, good structure, but eventually steel will fail
- Pumping is working, but it is difficult to keep up
- Pier 2 & 3 are in worse shape, but the docks are all the same age and have been in the water the same amount of time.
- Permanent solution would consist of a 22” plastic insert that would fit inside the existing 24” pontoon
- Will get as much or more life out of the new system as the previous system
- Foam option is not as good – foam does become saturated eventually and does leach chemicals
- Process would include disassembling the docks and placing them on shore
- Work would take place outside the marina season
- Could budget over the next few years
- Scott has a plumber on staff, but electrical and water would have to be removed and is not included in the estimate
- Estimate for Pier 2 & 3 - \$244,000 plus taxes (\$183,500 in material, \$60,500 labour)
- **Temporary repair** will entail purchasing the permanent repair sleeves and these would then be reused for the permanent repair
- Would take 2 days for the temporary repair
- Scott to email pictures for Council to view

RESOLUTION #23-05-26

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gardiner Marine be retained to place and secure a total of 8 pontoon floats temporarily on the outside of marina dock sections which are currently leaking; **And further** be it noted that these pontoons can be reused when the piers are repaired permanently.

Carried

TENDERS: None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S):

RESOLUTION #23-05-27

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 3, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Carried

INFORMATION AND ACTION ITEMS:

Public Works Supervisor – Chad Fisher attended to discuss a proposal to purchase a Kubota Open Station Tractor.

- Multi-use machine can be used a cemetery, ballfield, sidewalks
- Can be used as a cultivator or aerator
- Would be stored at the shop
- 6-year warranty
- Doesn't require a special license
- Financing is available
- Council will advise during budget process

RESOLUTION #23-05-28

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the raising of the Pride flag downtown on Monday, May 29th in celebration of Pride Week.

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-29

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the following projects under the OCIF Formula-Based Funding:

1. Completion of Algoma/Colonization Road
2. Crab Lake Bridge
3. Hamilton Street
4. Cutler Avenue

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-30

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED Council supports road work on Crab Lake Road, including removal of bedrock and application of gravel under the 2023 NORDS allocation.

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-31

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Engineer be advised that should the deck at the complex need to be removed or compromised in order to determine its' integrity, that this work be put on hold until the Fall;

And that staff prioritize the application for funding to the NOHFC replace the deck.

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-32

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAO's report of May 17, 2023 be accepted as presented.

Carried

Mayor Von Pickartz: Has participated in several meetings regarding health care and doctor recruitment – Ministry of Health, Mike Mantha, MPP, Martin Lees, Ontario Health, attended the Standard of Care Training put on by Walkerton Clean Water and found it very informative, attended the recent Spring Market

Deputy Mayor Trudel:

Councillor Clague:

Councillor Joncas: Spring Market was a huge success

Councillor Zarichney: Attended the Standard of Care Training – very good session

RESOLUTION #23-05-33

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the verbal reports of council be accepted as presented:

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION

RESOLUTION #23-05-34

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following correspondence/information items be noted as presented:

- a. OCWA April Report
- b. May 1, 2023 – Spanish Health Centre Committee Minutes
- c. May 4, 2023 – Spanish Fire Chief Report
- d. May 4, 2023 – Emergency Management Ontario
- e. May 9, 2023 – Spanish Public Library Minutes

Carried

BY-LAWS

RESOLUTION #23-05-35

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Bylaw for the Purpose of Appointing a By-Law Enforcement Service be read a **second time**.

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-36

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Bylaw for the prescribing of standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property within the Town of Spanish, be read a **second time**.

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-37

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law to adopt an agreement for the appointment of an Agency as Pound keeper and municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the purpose of enforcing the animal control and animal licensing by-law for the Town of Spanish be read a **second time**.

Carried

NEW BUSINESS

- Have the trees along the highway checked, re: complaint received last year
- Mayor would like free lunches for seniors discussed at a budget meeting

QUESTION PERIOD – (on agenda items only) -

MOTIONS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS – None

GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION #23-05-38

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now go into closed session for the following purposes:

- Section 293(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act*, personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Building Services

Carried

CLOSED SESSION – TIME IN: 8:59 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION – TIME OUT: 9:23 p.m.

RESOLUTION #23-05-39

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we return to open session.

Carried

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLUTION 23-05-40

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to proceed as per details discussed in closed session.

Carried

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

RESOLUTION #23-05-41

MOVED BY: Debra Joncas

SECONDED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law being a confirmation by-law regarding a meeting of council held on the 17th day of May, 2023 be read a first time, be considered read a second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, numbered by-law #2023-36 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

Carried

RESOLUTION #23-05-42

MOVED BY: Mary-Louise Zarichney

SECONDED BY: Debra Joncas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 for a regular meeting of council or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

The meeting adjourned 9:26 p.m.



Karen Von Pickartz, Mayor



Pam Lortie, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer