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**The Corporation of the Town of Spanish  
Council Minutes  
Regular Meeting of  
Wednesday, November 1, 2023  
7:00 p.m., Council Chambers**

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

Excused: Ted Clague Councillor

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and asked for the disclosure of any pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof. None were disclosed.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-01**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for the Regular meeting of November 1, 2023 be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

**DELEGATIONS:**

Chief Blair Ramsay, Town of Spanish Volunteer Fire Department attended to update Council on Fire Department activities and discuss a proposed Junior Firefighter Program.

- Have run this in Sables-Spanish for many years and has been very successful
- 13-17 year olds – hours for school
- Try to keep them after they turn 18 – they know the basics by then
- Don't attend fire calls, but can be used afterwards
- Would need consent from the parents
- Goal is to keep the kids busy and involved
- Open house went well
- Low on call volume
- Still working on inspections
- Can contact town office or fire chief
- will come up with an application form
- all fire fighters will require a vulnerable sector check

- in good standing academically – doing well, in school, not expelled – would work with parents
- very good reception by the young people who attended the fire dept
- Chief willing to stay on for a further year

**TENDERS:**

a. Hamilton Street Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction – Two tenders were received as follows:

Denis Gratton Construction Ltd. - \$151,996.30, including HST

Beamish Construction Inc. - \$505,472.63, including HST

Both tenders were emailed to Tulloch Engineering for review. Two calculation errors were noted which changed the bids to \$163,296.30, including HST and \$455,843.03, including HST, respectively.

**RESOLUTION #23-11-02**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Whereas a total of two tenders were received for the Hamilton Street Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction;

And Whereas the tenders have been reviewed by Chris Kirby, P.Eng., Tulloch Engineering;

And Whereas Mr. Kirby recommends that the project be awarded to the low tenderer, being Dies Gratton Construction Ltd;

Therefore be it resolved that the tender be awarded to Denis Gratton Construction Ltd. and that Mr. Kirby be requested to assemble the contract packages;

And Further that a notice of the upcoming construction be distributed to the residents on Hamilton Street.

**Carried**

b. Municipal Dock Repairs – Three tender requests were sent out, with only one being returned, as follows:

Gardiner Marine Ltd. - \$285,930.96, including HST

**RESOLUTION #23-11-03**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the tender for the Municipal Dock Repairs be awarded to Gardiner Marine Ltd;

And further be it resolved that the Municipality’s share of the project, including electrical, be funded through the Canada Community-Building Fund,

**Carried**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-04**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the previous meeting of Council of October 18, 2023 be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

**INFORMATION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-05**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Amber Bown be appointed to the Spanish Recreation Advisory Committee;

And further that Ms. Bown be requested to provide a Vulnerable Sector Check should she be involved in any activity where she will be in a position of trust or authority towards a child or vulnerable person through her involvement with the Spanish Recreation Advisory Committee.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-06**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a meeting of the business community be held late January/early February 2024, with the mandate being set at that first meeting.

**And further that** the meeting be advertised in the monthly newsletter and on the Town website.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-07**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the CAO's Report of November 1, 2023 be noted as being presented.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-08**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Public Works Supervisor's Report September/October be noted as being presented.

**Carried**

## **Council Verbal Reports**

**Mayor Von Pickartz:**

**Councillor Clague:**

**Deputy Mayor Trudel:**

**Councillor Zarichney:**

**Councillor Joncas:** Pumpkin Stroll was held on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – very successful

### **RESOLUTION #23-11-09**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council Verbal Reports be accepted as presented.

**Carried**

### **RESOLUTION #23-11-10**

**MOVED BY:** Debra Joncas

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command be advised that regarding advertisement space in the annual “Military Service Recognition Book” that council would be proud to purchase a business card sized ad in the amount of \$395.00 inclusive of HST. And further that this expense form part of the 2024 Operating Budget.

**Carried**

### **RESOLUTION #23-11-11**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 576 be requested to provide more information regarding their request for assistance with purchasing an AED.

**Carried**

## **CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION**

### **RESOLUTION #23-11-12**

**MOVED BY:** Debra Joncas

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

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

- a. Meeting Notes of October 6, 2023 with EXP and MNRF, re: Landfill Expansion and correspondence received subsequently received from MNRF and EXP response
- b. Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes of October 10, 2023
- c. Spanish Health Centre Committee Minutes of October 16, 2023

- d. Mount Calvary Cemetery Board Minutes of October 24, 2023
- e. Joint Health and Safety Committee Minutes of October 25, 2023
- f. Steve Antunes – East Algoma OPP Detachment Boards Update
- g. Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) 2024 Allocation Notice
- h. North Channel Marine Tourism Council Inc – Notice of Annual Conference and AGM
- i. FONOM – Sustainable Northern Ontario Economic Development Program
- j. EV ChargeOn Program

**Carried**

**BY-LAWS –**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-13**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a by-law being a by-law to adopt new Health and Safety Policies and Procedures be read a second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and CAO, numbered by-law #2023-61 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-14**

**MOVED BY:** Debra Joncas

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a by-law being a by-law to appoint a Chief Building Official be read a first time, be considered read second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and CAO, numbered by-law #2023-58 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-15**

**MOVED BY:** Debra Joncas

**SECONDED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a by-law being a by-law to appoint an auditor be read a first time, be considered read second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and CAO, numbered by-law #2023-64 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**Carried**

**NEW BUSINESS** – Deputy Mayor Trudel will lay the Remembrance Day wreath in the Mayor's stead at the Remembrance Day ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**QUESTION PERIOD** – (on agenda items only) -

**MOTIONS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS** – NONE

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-16**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now go into closed session for the following purposes:  
Discussions under section 239 of the Municipal Act, 239(2)(b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

**Carried**

**CLOSED SESSION – TIME IN 8:26 p.m.**

**CLOSED SESSION – TIME OUT 9:14 p.m.**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-17**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now return to open Council.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-18**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the CAO be authorized to proceed as directed in closed session.

**Carried**

**CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-19**

**MOVED BY:** Debra Joncas

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THAT** a by-law being a confirmation by-law regarding a meeting of council held on the 1<sup>ST</sup> day of November, 2023 be read a first time, be considered read a second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and CAO, numbered by-law #2023-65 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #23-11-20**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for a regular meeting of council or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

The meeting adjourned 9:16 p.m.

  
Karen Von Pickartz, Mayor

  
Pam Lortie, CAO