

**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF ESPANOLA**

**Council Chambers
Municipal Building**

**March 8, 2011
7:30 pm**

His Worship Mayor Mike Lehoux presiding.

Present: Councillor, Fairbairn, Howard, McMaster, McMillan, Meikleham
Staff: P. Roque, Deputy Clerk, T. Denault-Roque, Recording Secretary

Absent: J. MacKenzie, Clerk Treasurer/Administrator - Vacation
J. Beer – Work Commitment

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

None

Delegations/Petitions

Mr. Richard Ellis of the Espanola Citizen Group introduced the executive members of this new committee.

He explained the group's mandate which is to attend council meetings and observe proceedings, assist council in endeavours which are beneficial to the residents, encourage commitment to council transparency and fiscal responsibility, inform resident on decisions made by council, provide an avenue for resident who have concerns that should be brought to council and support implementation of campaign pledges.

Mayor Lehoux thanked Mr. Ellis for his presentation.

Public Hearings

None

PART 1
CONSENT AGENT

CA-005-11 T. Howard – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F3 contained in Part 1, Consent Agenda be adopted.

Carried

Items A1-A2

Minutes

11-063 T. Howard - S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: The following minutes of Council are hereby accepted; Regular Meeting of Council of February 22, 2011; Special Meeting of Council of February 22, 2011.

Carried

Items B1-B2
Board and Committee
Reports

11-064 T. Howard – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: The following Board and Committee reports are hereby received; Corporate Services Committee Meeting of March 1, 2011; Community Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting of February 17, 2011

Carried

Matters arising from the “In Camera Session”

No session held

Business Arising from Board and Committee

Corporate Services Committee Meeting of March 1, 2011

Item D1
Request for Donation

11-065 T. Howard – M. McMaster

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended By The Corporate Services Committee That: The 2011 Budget include a \$3,500 donation to the Royal Canadian Legion to offset their cost to host the July 1st parade.

Carried

Item D2
Request for Donation

11-066 J. McMillan – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended By The Corporate Services Committee That: The 2011 Budget includes a \$3,800 donation to the Espanola High School 60th Reunion Wine & Cheese and Special Events Insurance for the July 2nd car show.

Carried

Item D3
Software/Hardware
Support

11-067 J. McMillan – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended By The Corporate Services Committee That: The agreement with Computers Now be renewed for an additional year and a bylaw be prepared to adopt this agreement.

Carried

A brief discussion ensued. It was explained that the technician is on site one day a week, and is accessible by phone if an issue arises that needs immediate attention.

Item D4
Investment Attraction
Marketing Program
Funding Application

11-068 J. McMillan – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by 1) The Town of Espanola apply to FedNor for 50% funding assistance with an investment attraction marketing program.

2) That Council allocate funds in the municipal budget for the remaining 50% of costs for the investment attraction marketing program.

Carried

Councillor McMillan commented that this resolution is subject to the 2011 budget and only to allow the Department to apply for funding.

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item E1
Confirmatory Bylaw

11-069 M. McMaster – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2337/11 be now read a first time and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of procedure be considered as having been read a second and third time and finally passed in open council. Being a confirmatory bylaw of Council.

Carried

Item E2
Agreement with
M.S.D.S.B.

11-070 M. McMaster – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2339/11 be now read a first time and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of procedure be considered as having been read a second and third time and finally passed in open council. Being a bylaw to respond to cardiac arrest jointly with the local E.M.S.

Carried

Item E3
Letter of Agreement

11-071 R. Fairbairn – J. McMillan

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2340/11 be now read a first time and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of procedure be considered as having been read a second and third time and finally passed in open council. Being a bylaw between the Town of Espanola and CUPE local 4360 to amend bylaw 2280/10.

Carried

Reports
Item F1 –F3

11-072 J. McMillan – R. Fairbairn

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received: POA Department Departmental Report for February 2011; Employee Requisition Form; Economic Development Departmental Report for February 2011

Carried

PART II
REGULAR AGENDA
Bylaws and Resolutions

Item G1
Notice of Motion

A notice of motion was presented at the Regular Meeting of Council on February 22, 2011 that an exemption to the Barber Street pavement moratorium be made to allow for the sewer and water hook up required for the New Sacred Heart school.

A discussion ensued. Mayor Lehoux has concerns that disrupting the pavement on Barber Street would decrease its life expectancy, creating another expense for the tax payer. Councillor Meikleham is concerned that this issue is time sensitive and needs to be addressed immediately. Council agreed that in order to make an informed decision they will refer this item to the next Community Services Committee Meeting of March 15th for more information from the Manager of Public Works.

Item G2
Deeming Bylaw

11-073 R. Fairbairn – J. McMillan

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2338/11 be now read a first time and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of procedure be considered as having been a second and third time and finally passed in open council. Being a deeming bylaw for a lot consolidation.

Carried

Item G3
2011 Census

11-074 J. McMillan – R. Fairbairn

Be It Resolved That: WHEREAS: Statistics Canada will conduct the Census of Population on Tuesday, May 10, 2011; and
WHEREAS: the Town of Espanola supports the census because census information is important for our community and is vital for planning services such as schools, daycare, police services and fire protection; and
WHEREAS: the Statistics Act requires that personal information provided on census questionnaires will be kept strictly confidential; and
THEREFORE: The Town of Espanola does hereby declare the week of May 9th to 13th as CENSUS WEEK in Espanola and call upon all residents to complete and return their census questionnaires on line at www.census2011.gc.ca or by mail, by Tuesday, May 10, 2011.

Carried

Item G4
Easter Seals

11-075 R. Fairbairn – J. McMillan

Be It Resolved That: WHEREAS: For the past 89 years Easter Seals Ontario has been helping children, youth and young adults with physical disabilities. WHEREAS: Easter Seals helps families of kids with physical disabilities with financial assistance to purchase necessary equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, ramps, lifts, and communication aids.

WHEREAS: Easter Seals provides recreational experiences at Easter Seals' fully accessible camps, and funding for participation in other recreational programs, such as day camps, swimming and art classes.

WHEREAS: Easter Seals relies on the generosity of donors, sponsors and volunteers.

WHEREAS: March is Easter Seals Month is a fundraising and awareness campaign for kids with physical disabilities, During March, communities across the province fundraise and create awareness through events such as

the Easter Seals Telethon and Snowaramas, and programs such as Paper Eggs.

NOW THEREFORE: The Town of Espanola does hereby proclaim the month of March 2011 as Easter Seals Month and encourage everyone to support Easter Seals during its fundraising and awareness campaign.

Carried

Correspondence For Information Only

H1 Annual Compliance Report Espanola Fire Department

Information

This information was previously circulated to Council. If required a copy of the information is available at the Municipal Office.

- Letter re: OSUM Conference & Trade Show
- Letter re: Easter Seals
- Memo from Mayor Lehoux
- Letter re: Ontario Heritage Week
- 2011 Census Week Proclamation
- Letter from Mike Brown
- AMK Greens Schedule of Events
- Letter re: Gore Bay Fish Hatchery
- Cheque Register

Conference and Conventions

FONOM – MMAH Annual Northeastern Municipal Conference – Timmins – May 11th – 13th, 2011

Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements

Letters of Congratulations

Mayor Lehoux advised Council that the Town has received a letter of congratulations from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services for completing all of the mandatory emergency management activities required under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

The Town has also received a letter of congratulations from the Ontario Municipal Water Association for meeting the new provincial standard for drinking water safety established by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment.

Minister of Finance Meeting

Councillor Meikleham would like to have a meeting set up with Council and the Minister of Finance to discuss the Industrial Ratio Regulations.

Office Hours

Several Councillors announced their office hours. Residents are welcome to drop by the municipal office to meet with them and discuss any issues or concerns.

Future Council Meetings

Community Services Committee of March 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Special Meeting of Council of March 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting of Council of March 22, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

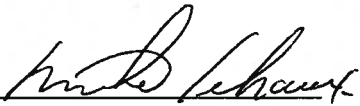
Adjournment

J. McMillan – R. Fairbairn

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned.

Time 8:15 pm.

Carried



Mike Lehoux
Mayor



Paula Roque
Deputy Clerk