



**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF ESPAÑOLA**

**Council Chambers
Municipal Office**

**March 28, 2017
7:30pm**

His Worship Mayor Piche presided over the meeting.

Present: Councillor R. Dufour, K. Duplessis, R. Duplessis R. Yocom

Absent: Councillor B. Foster, S. Meikleham

Staff: P. Roque, Clerk, C. Townsend, CAO/Treasurer, T. Denault-Roque, Recording Secretary

The Mayor advised that this meeting is being live streamed.

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

Public Hearing None

Delegations/Petitions None

Question Period None

CONSENT AGENDA **CA-005-17 R. Yocom – R. Dufour**
Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F5, contained in Part 1
Consent Agenda be adopted.

Carried

Items A1-A2 **17-057 R. Dufour – R. Yocom**
Minutes Be It Resolved That: The following Minutes are hereby
accepted; Special Meeting of Council of March 10, 2017;
Regular Meeting of Council of March 14, 2017.

Carried

Board and Committee Reports

None

Item G1
Building Upgrades

17-063 R. Duplessis – K. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: JN Construction be awarded Project 1617: Building Upgrades at 100 Tudhope Street with a bid price of \$152,500.00 + HST.

Carried

A discussion ensued.

It was confirmed that all items on the list of upgrades were tendered.

Councillor Dufour stated that he would like a copy of the tenders to see the difference in quotes. He further asked if the list could be cut back in order for it to not affect the levy and to save money. The Clerk advised that staff has identified these issues as a priority for two years, however it was the decision of Council on how to move forward.

Councillor Yocom reminded Council that a lengthy discussion took place during the 2016 budget and everyone was well aware of the list of items to be addressed and the reasons why, during that time Council agreed to proceed with all the work. Councillor Yocom further advised that this was the second time this tender has gone out and the money is already sitting in reserves because the project was not done in 2016 due to the quotes coming in higher than expected. Council had directed staff to retender in hopes to receive lower bids. He further advised that delaying this contract will cost more, moving forward now will help to address the infrastructure deficit we have.

Carried

Item G2
FIT Program

17-064 K. Duplessis – R. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: WHEREAS capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Contract, Version 3.1;

AND WHEREAS the Province's FIT Program encourages the construction and operation of ground mount solar PV, generation projects;

AND WHEREAS one or more Projects may be subject to FIT Contracts and may be constructed and operated in the Town of Espanola;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the FIT Rules, Version 3.0, the Council of the Local Municipality had previously indicated, by a resolution, its support for Projects in the Local Municipality;

AND WHEREAS Council now indicates, by a resolution dated no earlier than March 28, 2017, Council's continued support for the construction and operation of the Projects anywhere suitable in the Local Municipality;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the FIT Contract, where a New Resolution is received in respect of the Projects in the Local Municipality, Suppliers will be recognized as fulfilling the requirements under Section 2.4(d)(vii) of the FIT Contract,

which may result in Suppliers being offered Notice to Proceed in accordance with the terms of their respective FIT Contract(s);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council of the Town of Espanola supports the construction and operation of the Projects where suitable in the Town of Espanola. This resolution's sole purpose is to enable Suppliers to achieve Notice to Proceed under their FIT Contracts and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of municipal approval in relation to a FIT Contract or Project or for any other purpose. This resolution shall expire twelve (12) months after its adoption by Council.

Carried

Item G3
Waiving Ontario
Delivery Fees

17-065 R. Duplessis – K. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: Council for the Town of Espanola hereby supports the resolution adopted by Council for NEMI, regarding the costing measures Hydro One will put into place to replace the lost revenues from eliminating delivery charges to customers.

Carried

A discussion ensued.

Councillor Yocom advised that he could not support the resolution for one reason. He stated the resolution asks for the Province of Ontario to treat all of Ontario Hydro customers equally, the resolution calls for the elimination of delivery fees for the residents of NEMI.

Further discussion ensued and it was agreed that this resolution will receive support with an additional resolution to be brought to Council advising for the same treatment to all municipalities in Ontario.

Correspondence For Information Only

**H1 Year End Statistical Report for the Information and Privacy
Commissioner of Ontario**

Information

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

O AFC 2017 Trade Show Invitation
FONOM correspondence re: call of nominations

Conference and Conventions

FONOM, Wednesday May 10th – Friday May 12th, 2017
North Bay, Ontario

Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements

**100th Birthday
Celebration**

Mayor Piche advised that he attended the 100th birthday celebration for Mr. Bright.

Stoop and Scoop

Councillor R. Duplessis advised residents that fines have been issued for not picking up dog excrement.

Future Council Meetings

Corporate Services Committee Meeting of April 4th @ 3:00 pm

Regular Meeting of Council of April 11th @ 7:30 pm

Adjournment

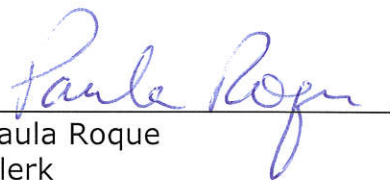
K. Duplessis – R. Dufour

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned. Time: 7:54 pm

Carried



Ron Piche
Mayor



Paula Roque
Clerk