



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

**Council Chambers
Municipal Office**

**November 22, 2016
7:30pm**

His Worship Mayor Piche presided over the meeting.

Present:

Councillor R. Dufour, B. Foster, K. Duplessis, R. Duplessis, S. Meikleham, B. Yocom

Staff: P. Roque, Clerk; C. Townsend, CAO/Treasurer; J. Yusko, Manager of Public Works; T. Denault-Roque, Recording Secretary

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

Public Hearing

None

Delegations/Petitions

Beverly Salmaso, local resident presented Council with a petition to restrict parking on the North side of Mead Blvd from 8am to 5pm.

Ms. Salmaso explained to Council the issues that have occurred since the amalgamation of the Espanola High School and AB Ellis Public School. Traffic congestion along side of Mead has caused issues to the residents living there. These issues include safety for the children, safety for the residents that enter and exit their homes, possibly snow removal and the lack of parking for service/delivery vehicles. Residents are also concerned with the lack of space for emergency vehicles.

Ms. Salmaso stated that there are plenty of parking areas available at the old AB Ellis school which are not being utilized.

Ms. Salmaso then advised Council that the residents are requesting signage to be erected to restrict parking for the north side of Mead from 8 am – 5 pm.

Councillor R. Duplessis commented that this issue has been previously discussed and was brought to Police Services Board members in hopes they could provide a recommendation.

Councillor R. Dufour asked Ms. Salmaso if she had any ideas on how to fix the issues. It was stated that the idea of the residents was provided in Ms. Salmaso's letter to Council.

The Mayor acknowledged the issues and thanked Ms. Salmaso for her presentation. He further advised that he would like Staff to review the Traffic Bylaw and bring forward a recommendation to Council.

Question Period **None**

CONSENT AGENDA **CA-019-16 R. Dufour – R. Yocom**
Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F6, contained in Part 1 Consent Agenda be adopted.
Carried

Items A1 **16-174 R. Dufour – R. Duplessis**
Minutes Be It Resolved That: The following minutes are hereby accepted; Regular Meeting of Council of November 8, 2016.
Carried

Board and Committee Reports

Items B1 **16-175 R. Duplessis – R. Yocom**
Board and The following Board and Committee reports are hereby
Committee Reports received: Community Services Committee Meeting of November 15, 2016.
Carried

Matters arising from the "In Camera Session"

None

Business Arising from Board and Committees

None

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item E1 **16-176 R. Dufour – R. Duplessis**
Confirmatory Bylaw Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2750/16 be adopted, being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Meeting of November 8, 2016.
Carried

Reports **16-177 S. Meikleham – K. Duplessis**
Items F1 –F6 Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received; Leisure Services Department Departmental Report for October 2016; Building Services Department Departmental Report for October 2016; Public Works Department Departmental Report for October 2016; Fire Department Departmental Report for October 2016; Sudbury and District Board of Health Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2016 – Unapproved; Manitoulin – Sudbury District Services Board Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2016 – Unapproved.
Carried

PART II

REGULAR AGENDA

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item G1
Property Taxes
Resolution

16-178 R. Duplessis – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: Council for the Town of Espanola hereby supports the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's "What's Next Ontario?" resolution.

Carried

A discussion ensued regarding financing municipal infrastructure needs. Councillor Foster stated the importance of knowing what grant allocations will be for more than one year to the next will allow municipalities to plan appropriately.

Item G2
Water Meter
Installation

16-179 S. Meikleham – R. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: Council proceed with phase 2 of the meter installation.

Carried

Item G3
OPP Costing

A discussion ensued regarding the three different options presented in the Staff Report that Council must decide on in order to provide to the OPP for a costing and some of the possible effects to the municipality with each option. Councillor Foster stated that the OPP have advised that the current Espanola Police Services building would not be sufficient for their operations.

Councillor Yocom stated that the OPP have made it clear that they will provide a costing for only one of the options.

Councillor R Duplessis stated that he felt it was unfair that they could only pick one option. He further stated that depending on what the OPP presented with that particular option, Council may want to amend the services.

Mayor Piche stated that the bottom line is what it will cost the tax payer. Councillor Meikleham stated that he disagreed and that Council should be focusing on what are the best services to ensure the health and safety of the residents.

Councillor Yocom further stated that "this is not a time to shop" it was Council's duty to decide what level of service is needed.

Mayor Piche stated that there were actually 4 options available, the 4th being to keep Espanola Police Services as is. This would alleviate the need to address the building issues.

Council was encouraged to ask the Committee any questions they had on the options.

A decision was deferred to the Regular Meeting of Council in December.

Correspondence For Information Only

None
Information

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

Ministry of Finance Correspondence re: OMPF Allocation
Invitation to OSUM Conference and Trade Show

Conference and Conventions

Town of Espanola Open House
Thursday, December 15th, 2016
Espanola Regional Recreation Complex Lobby
10:00 am – 12noon; 2:00-4:00 pm; 6:00-7:30 pm

ROMA Conference, January 29 - 31, 2017, Toronto Ontario

OGRA Conference, Sunday, February 26 – Wednesday, March 1, 2017
Toronto, Ontario

Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements

Santa Claus Parade Councillor Yocom reminded everyone of the Santa Claus Parade and advised he and Councillor K. Duplessis will be serving hot chocolate at the Complex afterwards.

PWD Thank you Councillor K. Duplessis thanked the PWD for their efforts in the Yard Clean Up Days held this Fall.

Fitness Equipment Councillor Foster advised that the fitness equipment has been erected at the Clear Lake Beach area and welcomed everyone to use it.

Lions Club Councillor Foster advised that the Lions will be holding their annual free swim, skate and visit with Santa on the weekend at the complex.

Future Council Meetings

Corporate Services Committee Meeting of December 6, 2016 @ 4:00 pm
Regular Meeting of Council of December 13, 2016 @ 7:30 pm

Adjournment

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned. Time: 8:10pm

Carried



Ron Piche
Mayor



Paula Roque
Clerk