

# THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ESPANOLA

**Council Chambers Municipal Office**  April 25, 2017

7:30pm

His Worship Mayor Pichepresided over the meeting.

Present:

CouncillorR. Dufour, K. Duplessis, R. Duplessis, B. Foster, S.

Meikleham, R. Yocom

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-007-17R. Duplessis - R. Dufour

Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F5, contained in Part 1Consent

Agenda be adopted.

Carried

<u>Items A1</u> Minutes

17-077 R. Dufour - R. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: The following Minutes are hereby

accepted; Regular Meeting of Council of April 11, 2017.

Carried

# **Board and Committee Reports**

Item B1

17-078 R. Duplessis - R. Dufour

Board and Committee Reports

Be It Resolved That: The following Board and Committee

Reports are hereby received; Community Services Committee

Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2017.

Carried

Discussion ensued.

Councillor Yocom explained that he had asked for the sidewalk plowing information to be placed on the Community Services

Committee Agenda for review. He further stated new regulations from the Province regarding this item are

forthcoming.

### Matters arising from the "In Camera Session"

### None

### **Business Arising from Board and Committees**

### Item D1

Municipal Hazardous Waste or Special **Waste Service** Agreement

### 17-079 R. Yocom - B. Foster

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by the Community Services Committee That: The Town of Espanola enter into an agreement with Automotive Material Stewardship Inc. (AMS) for services related to the collection and management of Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW), specifically automotive materials, and that an execution bylaw be adopted to record the agreement.

Carried

### Item D2

**Emergency** Management **Program** 

### 17-080 R. Yocom - B. Foster

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by the Community Services Committee That: Council approve the Emergency Management Program and committee as submitted.

Carried

### **Bylaws and Resolutions**

### Item E1

**Confirmatory Bylaw** 

# 17-081 K. Duplessis - R. Yocom

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No 2779/17 be adopted, being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Meeting of April 11, 2017.

Carried

Carried

### Item E2

**Bylaw to Authorize** the use of Vote by Voting Method with **Optical Scanning Vote Tabulators** 

### 17-082 K. Duplessis - B. Foster

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2778/17 be adopted, being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to Authorize the use of Vote by Mail as an Alternative Mail as an Alternative Voting Method with Optical Scanning Vote Tabulators.

Reports Items F1 -F5

### 17-083B. Foster - R. Yocom

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received; FireDepartment Departmental Report for March 2017; Building Department Departmental Report for March 2017; Leisure Services Department Departmental Report for March 2017; Public Works Department Departmental Report for March 2017; Espanola Public Library Board Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2017.

Carried

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# PART II REGULAR AGENDA Bylaws and Resolutions

Item G1
Waste Collection
Contract Proposal

# 17-084 S. Meikleham - R. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: Option 2 of the waste collection proposal be implemented with our service provider.

Carried

A discussion ensued.

Councillor R. Duplessis advised that he felt moving from 4 bags to 2 bags would increase the occurrences of illegal dumping. He further stated that the potential savings of \$6,700 would not justify going from 4 bags to 2 bags. He suggested that the Town strive to educate the public on doing more recycling. Councillor Meikleham agreed with the notion of educating the public, however he stressed that the municipality needs to be environmentally conscientious moving forward. Councillor Yocom stated that he supported the motion. He referred to the study that has been completed that indicates 50% of residents put out2 bags or less for garbage pickup. The Waste Free Ontario Act that is coming will be very onerous and the clear bag policy will be forced on the municipality. He also stated that municipalities that have switched to clear bags have seen instant increases to recycling. If municipalities increase recycling, this means an increase of funding from the province.

Further discussion took place on the possibility of the tag system and renewal options, increasing the amount of privacy bags to 1 per clear bag.

Councillor K. Duplessis stated his concerns were the amount of privacy bags allowed as well as the weight of the bags. Councillor Yocom further advised that the province has a toolkit that would be a good system to follow. It recommends that a soft start up be done when implementing these changes. Councillor Dufour stated he didn't think we should be jumping into these changes because the government hasn't implemented any new legislation yet. He was concerned with where the extra garbage would end up if a reduction in bags were implemented, the possibility of bears and rodents being attracted to Town and the cost to dispose of additional waste. Councillor Yocom stated that there are no comments from other municipalities implementing these changes regarding bears or rodents, he stated the program works. He further commented that the Waste Free Ontario Actis coming, and the government is not leaving anything to guess; the municipality should be in front of it. He also reiterated that the municipality would see a savings of \$6,700 as well as additional revenue from increased recycling.

It was the consensus of Council to use a phased in approach of while implementing these changes.

Councillor R. Duplessis requested a recorded vote.

### **RECORDED VOTE**

	For	Against
Mayor R. Piche	✓	_
R. Dufour		✓
K. Duplessis	✓	
R. Duplessis		✓
B. Foster	$\checkmark$	
S. Meikleham	✓	
B. Yocom	$\checkmark$	

### Item G2 Leaf and Yard Waste

### 17-085 R. Duplessis - S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: The Public Works Department conduct a pilot project of the expansion of leaf and yard waste services.

Carried

A discussion ensued.

Council was in support of this motion. It was stated that precautions must be put in place to ensure a successful event and rubbish is not left behind.

### Item G3 Wind Power

**Pilot Project** 

# 17-086S. Meikleham - R. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: Council for the Town of Espanola hereby supports the resolution adopted by the Council of the municipality of Dutton Dunwich regarding the government halting all wind power approvals in unwilling host communities.

Carried

Councillor Yocom stated he asked for the resolution to be placed on the agenda. He felt it was unfair that the province was dictating what municipalities are able to do.

# **Correspondence For Information Only**

#### None

### <u>Information</u>

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

Mike Mantha correspondence re: Hydro petition

Correspondence re: CWWF

### **Conference and Conventions**

FONOM, Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 North Bay, Ontario

### **Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements**

**Fundraising Breakfast** It was stated that the fundraising breakfast to help a local

family was well attended and very successful.

**Cemetery** The Chair of Community Services was asked to review the

details of erecting a cremation of ashes container at the

cemetery.

**HHWD** Residents were reminded that the HHWD would be taking place

on Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>

**Home Inspections** Residents were advised that the Espanola Fire Fighters will be

conducting their annual home inspections for the month of

May.

**Volunteer Firefighters** Espanola Volunteer Firefighters received recognition for their

continued support of Muscular Dystrophy

**Notice of Motion** Councillor Meikleham advised that he will be out of the country

doing humanitarian work from the end of May to first part of July. He asked if he required a notice of motion or if this notice is sufficient. The Clerk advised either route is acceptable and if he wanted the notice of motion to be heard tonight. Council

would have to agree.

Councillor R. Duplessis moved that Councillor Meikleham's motion be heard tonight and he be granted a LOA, Councillor

Dufour seconded the motion.

R. Duplessis – R. Dufour

Be It Resolved That: Councillor Meikleham be granted a leave of absence from the end of May until the first part of July,

2017.

Carried

# **Future Council Meetings**

Corporate Services Committee Meeting of May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 3:00 pm Special Meeting of Council of May 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm Regular Meeting of Council of May 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm

<u>Adjournment</u>

K. Duplessis – S. Meikleham

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

adjourned. Time:8:06pm

Carried

Ron Piche Mayor

Paula Roque

Clerk

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