

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Township Council, held on Wednesday March 2nd 2022 at 7 pm in the Municipal Office.

- PRESENT** Mayor B Langner. Councillors: B Jodoin, D Hartnell, C Larocque & B Sands. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin. Visitors: Geoff Gillon & Gordon Armstrong from RRFDC. Geoff gave an update on the activities and programs of the RRFDC. Geoff & Gordon answered various questions of Council.
- MINUTES #22-20 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held February 2nd 2022, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #22-21 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amounts of \$130,592.46 and representing disbursements for the month February 2022, be approved for payment.
- GARAGE #22-22 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED** that Council accepts the proposal from John Sinninghe for Proposal 22-04 Blue Public Works Garage Addition and this being the lowest of three proposals received. **Councillor Hartnell declared an interest as his brother-in-law works with the successful contractor.**
- BY-LAW 448 #22-23 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that By-law No 448, being the Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund By-law, be enacted.
- BY-LAW 449 #22-24 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED** that By-law No 449, being the Tax Ratio & Tax Capping By-law, be enacted.
- BY-LAW 450 #22-25 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that By-law No 450, being the MNR Fire Agreement By-law, be enacted.
- NOMA #22-26 LAROCQUE & JODOIN & CARRIED** that Doug Hartnell be authorized to attend the annual NOMA convention April 27 to 29 2022, in Fort Frances.
- OTHER** The Rd Supt reported on road work including snowplowing, pushing back snow banks along the roadways and equipment maintenance and repairs. The Fire Chief advised that F Sheppard will visit the south fire hall and discuss options for a more secure water supply. Council discussed rental and possible purchase of a used loader to replace our 1996 loader. Councillor Hartnell updated Council on recent NOMA board meetings. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various matters including the upcoming Fire Committee meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup>, MTO response to our request for wayside rests in the area, MTO advised that there are none planned at this time however they could be considered in the future, there is still a POA deficit, the Clerk-Treasurer reminded members of the nomination period for the fall municipal elections. The Clerk-Treasurer had a few discussions regarding CBO services and the present CBO is willing to continue to serve for the time being. An increase in the CBO compensation was authorized as well. Council discussed the present building

permit fees and the cost per square foot amounts are to be doubled and remove a maximum fee for residential construction. The final notices for properties under tax sale will be going out this week. A reduction in general ledger functions within the transportation service was discussed and agreed on. Final version of the financial statements was received.

ADJOURN #22-27 SANDS & HARTNELL & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk