

The minutes of the Budget consideration and regular meeting of Dawson Township Council, held on Wednesday June 7th 2023 at 7 pm in the Municipal Office.

**PRESENT** Mayor D Hartnell. Councillors: B Langner, C Larocque, L Kempf & B Sands.  
Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin.

**MINUTES #23-33 LANGNER & SANDS & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 3rd 2023, be approved as printed.

**ACCOUNTS #23-34 LAROCQUE & KEMPF & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amount of \$196,686.45 and representing disbursements for the month May 2023, be approved for payment.

**RDSIDES #23-35 LANGNER & SANDS & CARRIED** that Council accepts the proposal from Eric Westover for roadside cutting and this being the lower of two proposals received.

**GRAVEL #23-36 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED** that Council accepts the proposal from Dennis Robinson Ltd for Proposal 23-02 Gravel Supply Haul & Spread and this being the lower of two proposals received.

**GRAVEL #23-37 KEMPF & LANGNER & CARRIED** that Council accepts the proposal from Dennis Robinson Ltd for Proposal 23-03 Gravel Supply Haul & Spread and this being the lower of two proposals received.

**SPRAYING #23-38 KEMPF & LAROCQUE & CARRIED** that Council authorizes brush spraying in select locations throughout the municipality. Proposals are to be received by July 5<sup>th</sup> 2023. The Rd Supt to develop a listing of locations to be sprayed to a maximum of 10 kms in length.

**BY-LAW 460 #23-39 LAROCQUE & LANGNER & CARRIED** that By-law 460, being the 2023 Tax Rates By-law, be enacted.

**BY-LAW 461 #23-40 SANDS & KEMPF & CARRIED** that By-law No 461, being the 2022 Drainage Maintenance Rating By-law, be enacted.

**BY-LAW 462 #23-41 LANGNER & KEMPF & CARRIED** that By-law NO 462, being the C&C Krahn Tile Debenture By-law, be enacted.

**OP ZONING #23-42 SANDS & KEMPF & CARRIED** that the Township of Dawson proceed with the Joint Proposal from Fotenn Planning + Design in the amount of \$41,529 for updates to the Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-laws, this pending approval from LaVallee, Emo, Lake of the Woods, Morley and Chapple Townships.

**TERANET #23-43 LANGNER & SANDS & CARRIED** that Council authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer to enroll in the electronic land registration system and to obtain a Teranet

license for document registration. This to include documents necessary under the Municipal Tax Sales.

**INTEGRITY #23-44 LANGNER & KEMPF & CARRIED** that Council authorizes the appointment of members of the Municipal Consulting Group to provide Integrity Commissioner Services to the municipality. Members of the group include Rosalie Evans, Darrell Matson and Ron Bourett. Once the appointments are in place the agreement with other district municipalities and clerks will be terminated.

**TAX W/O #23-45 LAROCQUE & LANGNER & CARRIED** that pursuant to the Minutes of Settlement and Section 357 applications the following two sets of tax write offs be approved #1 General \$3438.52 and Education \$542.02 and minimum tax bill adjustments of \$38.32 for a total of \$4018.84 and #2 exempt farm adjustments General \$2298.52 and Education \$359.53 less minimum tax bill adjustments of \$115.16 for a total of \$2542.87.

**OTHER** The Rd Supt reported on grading operations, brushing and equipment repairs. Rd Patrol conducted on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Various proposals for gravel supply and roadside cutting were reviewed and approved by resolution. Council discussed a request from a ratepayer to consider brush spraying and Council will seek proposals to do a test of some areas to see how brush can be controlled. Council is also seeking input from citizens on the concept. The Clerk-Treasurer and Council discussed the draft budget with an increase of 5% in the residential rate and minimum tax billing to increase to \$200. The next fire meeting has been called for July 11<sup>th</sup> in Bergland & Councillor Larocque as Chairperson of the fire committee gave an update to Council on the last meeting. Council agreed to annual payments of POA funds. Campbell Drain report has been received and the meeting to consider will be held on July 5th. Krahn petition drain report informal meeting has been changed to June 20. Two proposals for updates to our OP & ZBL were considered by Council. The NORDS grant and 90% of the Covid funding for the garage addition were received. 4 properties are in the July 28<sup>th</sup> tax sale. Pattullo tower digital upgrade invoice was received. AODA compliance and the municipal fire profile were filed. NOHFC grant update information needs to be filed by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Hartnell reported on the recent RRDMA meeting.

**ADJOURN #23-46 LANGNER & SANDS & CARRIED** that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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