COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RENFREW

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, April 25th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT WERE

Mayor Eady
Reeve Emon
Councillors: Coulas, Evans, Jamieson, Windle

ALSO PRESENT

Clerk Bulmer, Treasurer O'Reilly, Director Asselin, Director Hill, Chief Longtin, Ivan Burton (Town Planner)

Media (Cogeco, Mercury, MyFm)

I. CALLING THE ROLL

II. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None declared.

III. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

2017 - 4 - 22
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Jamieson
THAT Audrey Green appear before Council to provide a brief history of Renfrew’s Coat of Arms.

- CARRIED –

Audrey Green, former Reeve and Member of Renfrew Town Council, provided an overview of the history of the Town’s Coat of Arms (crest), since its inception in the early 1980’s. In light of recently acquiring a new municipal branding, the Coat of Arms remains a very important and symbolic image for the Town. A complete copy of Audrey’s presentation has been appended to the original copy of these minutes.

2017 - 4 - 23
MOVED by Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Windle
THAT Kevin Bossy, Chief Executive Officer of Bishop Water Technologies, appear before Council to provide a report on the Renfrew BioCord Project.

- CARRIED -

Bishop Water Technologies is a Renfrew based company whose emphasis is on the development and implementation of simple, cost effective, environmentally engineered solutions in the area of wastewater management. The advancement of the BioCord technology was made possible through the co-operative effort of the Town of Renfrew in allowing pilot project work to be done at its Wastewater Treatment Plant. BioCord is a substrate specifically for wastewater treatment using biofilm technology to remove nutrients. A complete copy of Mr. Bossy’s presentation has been appended to the original copy of these minutes.
IV. CONFIRMING OF MINUTES

2017 - 4 - 24
MOVED by Reeve Emon, Councillor Evans

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 11, 2017, be adopted as printed.

- CARRIED -

V. COMMUNICATIONS

2017 - 4 - 25
MOVED by Councillor Windle, Councillor Sidney

THAT the Proclamation from Pitch-In Canada, be received; and

WHEREAS hundreds of thousands of Canadians show their concern for the environment and their communities each year by participating in PITCH-IN CANADA projects to: refuse, reuse, recycle and properly dispose of waste; clean up and rejuvenate local neighbourhoods, green spaces, ravines, waterways and illegal dump sites, restore habitats; and to establish composting and recycling projects; and

WHEREAS PITCH-IN CANADA, a national, community-based, organization comprised of eco-action and community volunteers, believes that maintaining a quality environment and encouraging civic pride is everyone’s responsibility; and

WHEREAS PITCH-IN CANADA, encourages voluntary action to: keep communities clean and beautiful and restore and maintain a healthy environment.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Don Eady, Mayor of Renfrew declare the week of April 22-29, 2017 as "PITCH-IN WEEK" in the Town of Renfrew and invite all citizens in our community to actively participate in this event.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 26
MOVED by Councillor Windle, Reeve Emon

THAT the Proclamation from National Volunteer Week, be received; and

WHEREAS 12.7 million Canadian volunteers give their time to help others, contributing close to 2 billion volunteer hours per year; and

WHEREAS volunteers in the Town of Renfrew mentor our children, feed our hungry, comfort our lonely, beautify our green spaces, and fundraise for our charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS the Town of Renfrew’s volunteers are young, old, families, workers, retirees, men and women of all ages and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS the collective result of the work done by our town’s volunteers is that Renfrew is a more desirable place to live; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Don Eady, Mayor of Renfrew, declare the week of April 23-29, 2017 as "NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK" in Renfrew and urge my fellow citizens to recognize the crucial role played by volunteers in our community.

- CARRIED -

V. COMMUNICATIONS cont’d
2017 - 4 - 27
MOVED by Councillor Jamieson, Reeve Emon

THAT the communication from the Heart & Stroke Foundation Big Bike, dated April 18, 2017, be received; and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council approve the request to ride the Big Bike through the Town of Renfrew on April 27th, 2017; and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council encourage all residents to support this initiative to bring awareness to the Heart & Stroke Foundation and raise money for lifesaving research.

- CARRIED -

V. REPORTS

2017 - 4 - 28
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Windle

THAT Planner Burton’s report, dated April 20, 2017, concerning the Implementation of the Town of Renfrew’s Community Improvement Plan, be received.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 29
MOVED by Councillor Jamieson, Reeve Emon

THAT Renfrew Town Council designates the Department of Development and Works as the Plan Administrator of the Community Improvement Plan (CIP); and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council designates the Planning Advisory Committee as the advisory body for recommending to Council the approval of financial incentive projects under the CIP; and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council implement the application process through a “first come, first served” process with Monday, May 1st, 2017, as the first day that the Town will receive applications for financial incentive projects; and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council direct staff to take necessary steps in order to amend the CIP to include painting as part of the Façade Improvement Grant and the addition of certain property.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 30
MOVED by Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Evans

THAT Clerk Bulmer’s report dated April 20, 2017, concerning the 2018 Municipal Election – Methods of Voting, be received.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 31
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Jamieson

THAT By-Law 25-2017, being a by-law to authorize the use of optical scanning vote tabulators for the purpose of counting votes at the 2018 Municipal Election, and the use of internet/telephone voting as alternative voting methods and to authorize advance voting for use in the 2018 Municipal Election, be read a first time and be deemed to have been read a second time.

- CARRIED -
2017 - 4 - 32
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Coulas

THAT By-Law 25-2017, being a by-law to authorize the use of optical scanning vote tabulators for the purpose of counting votes at the 2018 Municipal Election, and the use of internet/telephone voting as alternative voting methods and to authorize advance voting for use in the 2018 Municipal Election, be read a third time and be passed.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 33
MOVED by Reeve Emon, Councillor Jamieson

THAT Renfrew Town Council adopt the “Workplace Violence, Harassment, Sexual Harassment & Discrimination” Policy, as presented.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 34
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Reeve Emon

THAT Renfrew Town Council adopt the “Accountability & Transparency” Policy, as presented.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 35
MOVED by Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Evans

THAT the minutes of the Finance Committee meetings held March 31 and April 20, 2017, be received.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 36
MOVED by Reeve Emon, Councillor Jamieson

THAT Treasurer O’Reilly’s report, dated April 20, 2017, concerning Grants to Organizations – 2017, be received; and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council approve the following Grants to Organizations for 2017:

1) Heritage Renfrew $2,000
2) Hike for Hospice 500
3) Renfrew & Area Seniors’ Home Support 1,550
4) Renfrew & District Food Bank 1,000
5) Renfrew County Senior Games 200
6) Renfrew Lions Club (Santa Claus Parade) 800
7) Rotary Club Music Festival 200
8) Valley Animal Rescue 150

$6,400

- CARRIED –
V. REPORTS cont’d

2017 - 4 - 37
MOVED by Councillor Windle, Councillor Coulas

THAT Director Asselin’s report dated April 20, 2017, concerning the Asphalt Patching Tender #01-2017, be received; and

FURTHER THAT Renfrew Town Council contract for the supply and application of asphalt for 2017 be awarded to GOA Paving Ltd. in the amount of $137,100.00, excluding HST.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 38
MOVED by Reeve Emon, Councillor Coulas

THAT Director Asselin’s report dated April 20, 2017, concerning the Renfrew Recycling Collection Contract, be received.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 39
MOVED by Councillor Windle, Councillor Evans

THAT By-Law 13-2017, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Agreement with Beaumen Waste Management Inc. for the provision of recycling collection and processing services, be read a first time and be deemed to have been read a second time.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 40
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Windle

THAT By-Law 13-2017, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Agreement with Beaumen Waste Management Inc. for the provision of recycling collection and processing services, be read a third time and be passed.

- CARRIED -

VII. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

2017 - 4 - 41
MOVED by Councillor Windle, Councillor Coulas

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew Public Library Board meetings held December 5, 2016, January 17, February 21 and March 21, 2017, be received.

- CARRIED -

VIII. BY-LAWS

By-Laws No. 13-2017 and 25-2017 were given three readings and passed.

IX. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Eady advised that the coordination of Renfrew’s planned celebrations for Canada 150 is going very well and sales of commemorative merchandise are excellent.
X. CLOSED SESSION

XI. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

2017 - 4 - 42
MOVED by Councillor Evans, Councillor Windle

THAT By-Law 26-2017, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew at the meeting held on April 25, 2017, be read first time and be deemed to have been read a second time.

- CARRIED -

2017 - 4 - 43
MOVED by Councillor Coulas, Councillor Jamieson

THAT By-Law 26-2017, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew at the meeting held on April 25, 2017, be read third time and be passed.

- CARRIED -

XII. ADJOURNMENT

THAT we do now adjourn (Time of adjournment 8:22 p.m.).

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Mayor - Don Eady  CLERK - Kim R. Bulmer