



**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL  
OF THE TOWN OF ESPAÑOLA**

**Council Chambers  
Municipal Office**

**December 13, 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; T. Denault-Roque, Recording Secretary

**Absent:** Councillor R. Duplessis; S. Meikleham

**Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.**

Councillor K. Duplessis excused himself from Item G1.

**Public Hearing**                      **None**

**Delegations/Petitions** Christine McKay stated that her home address is 470 Algoma Street and she will be representing AB Ellis Public School teachers.

Ms. McKay addressed Council in regards to the Mead Blvd parking issues that have recently arose since the amalgamation of the Espanola High School and AB Ellis Public School.

It was stated that this is a very busy location in the morning; there is a lot of congestion. Ms. McKay stated that the around about pick up and drop off location was too small, with staff and school buses and people dropping off/picking up their children a bottle neck occurs at that location, making this area very busy and congested.

Ms. McKay further stated that the AB Ellis parking lot was not large enough to accommodate everyone and with winter now here, spots are being lost to snow banks.

Options to increase parking in the area was suggested to Council as well as an option to create a drop off and pick up area at the old entrance to the High School.

Mayor Piche thanked Ms. McKay for her presentation.

**Question Period**                      **None**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**CA-020-16 R. Dufour – R. Yocom**

Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F6, excluding D1, contained in Part 1 Consent Agenda be adopted.

**Carried**

**Items A1-A3  
Minutes**

**16-180 R. Dufour – R. Yocom**

Be It Resolved That: The following Minutes are hereby accepted; Regular Meeting of Council of November 22, 2016; Special Meeting of Council of November 24, 2016; Special Meeting of Council of November 28, 2016.

**Carried**

**Board and Committee Reports**

**Items B1  
Board and  
Committee Reports**

**16-181 R. Yocom – R. Dufour**

Be It Resolved That: The following Board and Committee reports are hereby received: Corporate Services Committee Meeting of December 6, 2016.

**Carried**

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

**None**

**Business Arising from Board and Committees**

**Item D1**

Councillor K. Duplessis requested Item D1 be severed to Regular Agenda.

**Item D2  
Land Disposition**

**16-183 K. Duplessis – R. Yocom**

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by the Corporate Services Committee That: Bylaw No 1145/95 is hereby repealed, Policy L07-01290 Land Disposition be adopted as amended.

**Carried**

**Item D3  
Skating Drop In  
Rates**

**16-184 R. Dufour – K. Duplessis**

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by the Corporate Services Committee That: The Skating Drop In rates as listed in Schedule "A" of the Leisure Services tariff of fee bylaw be amended to reflect a reduction in fees effective January, 2017.

**Carried**

**Bylaws and Resolutions**

**Item E1  
Confirmatory Bylaw**

**16-185 K. Duplessis – B. Foster**

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2752/16 be adopted, being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Meeting of November 22, 2016.

**Carried**

**Item E2**  
**POA Lease**

**16-187 B. Foster – K. Duplessis**

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No 2751/16 be adopted; being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to execute an Agreement with the Minister of Infrastructure for the rental of office space for POA purposes in Blind River and Elliot Lake.

**Carried**

**Reports**  
**Items F1 –F6**

**16-187 K. Duplessis – B. Foster**

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received; Espanola Police Services Board Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2016 – Unapproved; Joint Health and Safety Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2016; POA Department Departmental Report for September and October 2016; Public Works Department Departmental Report for November 2016; Building Department Departmental Report for November 2016; Leisure Services Department Departmental Report for November 2016.

**Carried**

Councillor Foster inquired if all preventative maintenance done by the Public Works Department was all caught up. The Clerk advised it has.

**PART II**  
**REGULAR AGENDA**  
**Bylaws and Resolutions**

**Item D1**  
**Employee Code of Conduct**

**16-182 B. Yocom – R. Dufour**

Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by the Corporate Services Committee That: 1. Policy H00-01842 Employee Code be adopted and a Bylaw be prepared to adopt it.

**Carried**

**Item G1**  
**Mead Blvd Parking**

**16-188 B. Foster-K. Duplessis**

Be It Resolved That: Traffic Bylaw 2030/07 with respect to the parking along the north side of Mead Blvd from Spruce to Spanish River Drive remains unchanged.

**Carried**

Councillor K. Duplessis removed himself from the table for this item.

**Item G2**  
**Bill 7, Promoting Affordable Housing Act**

**16-189 K. Duplessis – B. Foster**

Be It Resolved That: Council for the Town of Espanola hereby supports the Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley's Resolution dated November 7, 2016, regarding Bill 7, Promoting Affordable Housing Act, 2016.

**Carried**

**Item G3**  
**Council Chambers**  
**Presentations**

For Information and Direction  
A discussion ensued regarding room set up options that would allow the gallery a better view of presentations made to Council during meetings.  
Staff was directed to obtain quotes on a 65" TV screen that could be mounted to the wall as well as a smaller TV that could be mounted to the existing TV set up.  
These options will be discussed during 2017 budget deliberations.

**Item G4**  
**Evacuation**  
**Agreement**

**16-190 B. Foster – K. Duplessis**  
Be It Resolved That: Council approve the evacuation agreement between The Corporation of the Town of Espanola and Our Children, Our Future Day Care for the purpose of allowing the Day Care to evacuate from their current facility to the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex when necessary due to a threat.

**Carried**

**Item G5**  
**Emergency Back Up**  
**Generator**

**This item was deferred for more information**  
Be It Resolved That: As Recommended by the Emergency Management Committee: That an emergency backup generator Complex be purchased.

A discussion ensued regarding the different types of generators that could be purchased.  
Staff was directed to obtain a comparison of other like municipalities as well as options for additional uses for the generator.

**Item G6**  
**Recreation Master**  
**Plan Consultant**

**16-192 R. Dufour – B. Foster**  
Be It Resolved That: The request for proposal submitted by Sierra Planning and Management in the amount of \$23,820 + HST for the purpose of developing a parks and recreation strategic master plan for the Town of Espanola be approved.

**Carried**

A discussion ensued.  
Councillor Dufour asked what would be included in the plan. He was hesitant to move forward with this item.  
Councillor Foster advised that the Plan will include a review of playgrounds. He also stated that only 1 proposal was submitted and it was within what Council had budgeted for.

**Item G7**  
**OPP Service**

**This item was removed from the agenda.**

**Item G8**  
**OCWA Renewal**  
**Proposal**

**16-194 B. Foster – R. Yocom**

Be It Resolved That: The Contract with OCWA for water and wastewater operations be accepted and a bylaw be prepared.

**Deferred**

Councillor Dufour advised he would like more time to review this item.

Councillor K. Duplessis stated that he would prefer a 5 year contract as opposed to a 10 year contract, as 10 years does not allow an opportunity for shared services should that option become available.

Councillor Dufour advised that he hadn't read his agenda and would like more time to review the contract. He advised he would like to have this item deferred until that time.

The Clerk stated that the meeting would need to be rescheduled quickly as the contract expires at the end of the year.

**Item G9**  
**Landfill Contract**  
**Renewal**

**16-195 R. Yocom – B. Foster**

Be It Resolved That: The contract with H. Dodge Haulage Limited for waste disposal be accepted and a bylaw be prepared to execute the agreement.

**Carried**

**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.**

Cheque Register

MMAH Correspondence re: Bill 68

FONOM Fall Newsletter

Ombudsman correspondence

House of Commons Correspondence re: Bill C-274

SDHU Correspondence re: Nutritious Food Basket

Tay Valley Township Resolution re: Electrical Bills

Town of Lakeshore Resolution re: Accommodation Review Process

Canton-Bonfield Township Resolution re: 2015 Pan AM and Parapan AM games

**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** It was stated that the Santa Claus Parade was well attended.

**Open House** Councillor Foster reminded everyone of the Open House and advised that he will be speaking about grants received by the municipality.

**Future Council Meetings**

Corporate Services Committee Meeting of January 3, 2017 @ 4:00 pm  
Regular Meeting of Council of January 10, 2017 @ 7:30 pm

**Adjournment**

**B. Foster – R. Dufour**

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned. Time: 8:20 p.m.



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Ron Piche  
Mayor



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Paula Roque  
Clerk

**Carried**