**The Corporation of the Town of Spanish**

**Council Minutes**

**Special Meeting of**

**Wednesday, June 19, 2024**

**7:00 p.m., Council Chambers**

Present: Karen Von Pickartz Mayor

Sandra Trudel Deputy Mayor

Mary-Louise Zarichney Councillor

Ted Clague Councillor

Lisa Hobbs Deputy Clerk

Excused: Debra Joncas Councillor

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

At this time I would like to acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Anishnabek People of our neighbors and friends Sagamok Anishnawbek and Genaabaajing  (Gii -naw-baa-jing/ Serpent River First Nation)

I would like to acknowledge the commitment and responsibility we each have in learning the true history, accepting the culture and improving our relationship with the First People of the lands we now share. I would like to acknowledge Our Mother Earth, who provides all we need.

Our neighbors often say "Mino Bimaadziwin" (minnow be-maude-zah-win) which means to "live the good life" it is meant to imply to walk thru life in a good kind way.  As we begin our meeting I would like to offer those words to keep in the back of our minds and hearts as we work together for the betterment of our Community.

The Mayor asked for the disclosure of any pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof. None were disclosed.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-34**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for the Regular meeting of June 19, 2024 be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

**INFORMATION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**RESOLUTION #24-06- 35**

**MOVED BY:**  Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY**: Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the previous meetings of June 5, 2024 and June 12, 2024 be accepted as presented.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-36**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to bid on the 1992 GMC Tanker Fire Truck on GovDeals with an upset limit of $ 10,000.00

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-37**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY**: Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Deputy Clerk’s report of June 19, 2024 be accepted as presented..

**Carried**

**Council Verbal Reports**

**Ted Clague:** The Library board has finished up all of the upgrades that they were hoping to, aside from the flooring.

**Karen Von Pickartz:** Attended the Emergency Planning meeting, found it to be very interesting. In the wildfire scenario we learned that we are in a transitional forest, meaning a mix of evergreen ( Great Fuel) and deciduous (not great fuel) so the likelihood of Spanish being involved in a wildfire incident is low. Measles is making a comeback due to the high incidence of unvaccinated people. The stop signs at Colonization Road and Algoma Street were sawed off and stolen. New ones have been erected. Received an email from SRFN letting us know that they have requested more OPP Presence on reserve and in our community in light of the recent increase in crime/drug activity.

**Sandra Trudel:**

**Mary-Louise Zarichney:** Jesse attended the recreation meeting and the Committee is looking forward to working with him on events/funding opportunities. The committee will not be meeting again until September.

**RESOLUTION #24-06-38**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the verbal reports of Council be accepted as presented.

**Carried**

**~~RESOLUTION #24-06-39~~**

**~~MOVED BY:~~**

**~~SECONDED BY~~**~~:~~

**~~BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~** ~~the Municipal Office continue to be closed to the Public on Mondays until further notice.~~

**NOT Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-40**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Engineer’s Report (Project # 3370) received from Shield be noted as presented;

**AND THAT** the Public Works Department be requested to scrape and paint the steel beams as indicated in the report to extend the life of this asset;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Economic Development Intern be authorized to obtain quotes to rebuild the deck, in order to apply to NOHFC for funding as soon as possible.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-41**

**MOVED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY**: Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Excess soil quality testing program report, project # 23-1155, received from Tulloch Engineering, with regards to the Hamilton Street Project, be accepted as presented.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-42**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Spanish fully supports the Northern Emergency Manager’s delegation at AMO,

**AND THAT** the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to draft and execute a letter to the Honorable Caroline Mulroney and the Honorable Trevor Jones indicating our support.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-43**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following correspondence items be noted as presented:

1. Shedden Corp – Minutes of May 29, 2024
2. OHT Strategic Planning Process
3. June 14, 2024 – Correspondence re: Increased OPP Presence
4. June 7, 2024 – ADMA Annual General Meeting – September 21,2024
5. June 13, 2024 – Insurance Risk Report 2024
6. OCWA May 2024 – Water and Wastewater report

**Carried**

**BY-LAWS**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-44**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a by-law, being a by-law to designate reduced loads in the Town of Spanish, be read athird time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and Deputy Clerk, numbered by-law #2024-25 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-45**

**MOVED BY:**  Ted Clague

**SECONDED BY**: Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a by-law being a by-law to adopt an agreement between The Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Town of Spanish, be read a first time, be considered read a second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and Deputy Clerk, numbered by-law #2024-31 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* **Would like the office staff to look into purchasing an internet hub (MIFI) like the library has for the Four Seasons Complex. – This can be another amenity that we can offer to encourage people to use the complex. The Librarian will have more information on this product.**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-46**

**MOVED BY:**  Ted Clague

**SECONDED BY**: Sandra Trudel

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now go in to closed session.

**Carried**

**CLOSED SESSION – TIME IN: 8:09 p.m.**

**CLOSED SESSION – TIME OUT: 8:29 p.m.**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-47**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Ted Clague

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now return to open session.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-48**

**MOVED BY:**  Ted Clague

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Deputy Clerk be authorized to proceed per directions given in closed session.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-49**

**MOVED BY:**  Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY**: Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** council will meet on July 3rd, 2024, then not again until September 4th, 2024 unless necessary at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-50**

**MOVED BY:**  Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY:**  Ted Clague

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a by-law being a confirmation by-law regarding a meeting of council held on the 19th day of June, 2024 be read a first time, be considered read a second and third time, be passed, signed by the Mayor and Deputy Clerk, numbered by-law #2024-32 and be engrossed in the by-law book.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION #24-06-51**

**MOVED BY:**  Mary-Louise Zarichney

**SECONDED BY**: Ted Clague

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, July 3, 2024 for a regular meeting of Council or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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Karen Von Pickartz, Mayor

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Lisa Hobbs, Deputy Clerk