



**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL  
OF THE TOWN OF ESPANOLA**

**His Worship Mayor Gervais presided over the meeting.**

**August 13, 2024  
7:00 pm  
Council Chambers, 100 Tudhope Street**

Present: K. Duplessis, A. Kelly, G. Massicotte, A. Kallioinen, D. Gervais

Staff: J. Burke, CAO/Clerk, T. Denault-Roque, Deputy Clerk, J. Yusko, Manager of Environmental Services & Special Projects, D. Parker, Superintendent of Public Works, L. Orford, Economic Development Officer, B. Bouwmeester, Manager of Community and Recreation, J. Bouthillette, Treasurer

**A. INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

*Please acknowledge with us, that meetings of Council are held in the traditional territory of the Anishinabek where the Chiefs of Sagamok Anishnawbek, Whitefish River First Nation, and Atikameksheng Anishnawbek agreed to share this land through the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850.*

**B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

None declared.

**C. PUBLIC HEARING**

None

**D. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS**

**D.1 International Drug Awareness Month**

Ms. Russell presented Council with information on International Drug Awareness Day and encouraged Council to support the Drug Awareness Day. Council was invited to the Drug Awareness Day Walk and BBQ.

**E. QUESTION PERIOD**

None

**F. CONSENT ITEMS TO BE SEVERED**

None

**G. PART 1 - CONSENT AGENDA**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

CA-24-13 Be It Resolved That: Items H.1 to K.2 inclusive contained in Part 1, Consent Agenda be adopted.

**Carried**

**H. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**24-209**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

Be It Resolved That: The following Minutes are hereby accepted; Special Meeting of Council of June 25, 2024; Regular Meeting of Council of June 25, 2024; Special Meeting of Council of June 25, 2024.

**Carried**

**I. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**24-210**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

Be It Resolved That: The Council Vacancy Selection Committee Meeting Minutes of July 29, 2024 are hereby accepted.

**Carried**

**J. BUSINESS ARISING FROM BOARD AND COMMITTEES**

None

**K. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**K.1 Bylaw No 3206/24**

**24-211**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw 3206/24 be adopted, being a Bylaw to confirm the proceedings of Council during their Regular Meeting of June 25, 2024.

**Carried**

**K.2 Bylaw No 3207/24**

**24-212**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No 3207/24 be adopted, being a Bylaw to execute an Agreement between the Town of Espanola and CUPE 4705.

**Carried**

**L. REPORTS**

None

PART 2 - REGULAR AGENDA

**M. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**M.1 Recommendation regarding Drug Awareness Day**

**24-213**

**Moved By** A. Kallioinen

**Seconded By** K. Duplessis

Be It Resolved That: **Whereas** no one should stand alone in the fight to end overdose, and the international theme this year is "Together We Can",

**And whereas**, while every individual action matters greatly, coming together as a community creates a powerful collective action, one that moves us with greater speed toward our shared goal of preventing, and ultimately, ending all overdoses.

**And whereas** through our 2024 theme, "Together we can" we're highlighting the strength of coming together and standing in support of those connected to the tragedy of overdose, for people who use drugs and those who don't, for heartbroken friends and family members of lost loved ones, for activists who fight for sorely needed policy reform, for healthcare and harm reduction workers, and for tireless advocates.

**And whereas**, overdose can affect anyone, Council for the Town of Espanola hereby proclaims the month of August 2024 as International Overdose Awareness Month,

**And whereas**, Drug Awareness Day is held every August 31<sup>st</sup>, Council for the Town of Espanola hereby proclaims Drug Awareness Day in the municipality allowing our collective voices to be stronger, louder, and the most impactful with bringing us all together to fight and end overdose.

**Carried**

**M.2 Recommendation regarding Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**

**24-214**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** A. Kallioinen

Be It Resolved That: **WHEREAS** there are about 4000 children living with cancer in Ontario, and each year about 400 new cases are diagnosed; and

**WHEREAS** the causes of cancer in children is largely unknown; and

**WHEREAS** 1 in 285 children are diagnosed with a malignant cancer before their 20<sup>th</sup> birthday; and

**WHEREAS** in Canada, childhood cancer remains responsible for more deaths, from one year through adolescence, than any other disease, killing one in four children affected by this disease; and

**WHEREAS**, childhood cancer crosses all racial, ethnic, and social boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated one third of a family's after tax income is spent on treatment related expenses due to lack of available treatment options for the inhabitants of Northern Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** dedicated organizations such as Northern Ontario Families of Children with Cancer and volunteers are working diligently to raise funds in order to improve the lives of Northern Ontario families during and after their journey through childhood cancer by providing essential programs and financial services, and by letting the families know they are not alone in their battle.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Espanola recognizes the devastating effects of childhood cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, in Espanola, we pay tribute to the healthcare professionals, researchers, private philanthropies and parent advocacy groups who collaborate to provide hope and help to patients and families affected by pediatric cancer while making vital contributions to the ongoing search for a cure;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Council for the Town of Espanola hereby proclaims: **SEPTEMBER 2024 AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH** in Espanola and encourages residents to show their support of this cause by increasing awareness, speaking up about childhood cancer, wearing the color gold and reaffirming our commitment to fighting childhood cancer.

**Carried**

**M.3 Recommendation regarding Gravel Tender**

**24-215**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

Be It Resolved That: Council award the 2024 gravel tender to E. Corbiere & Sons.

**Carried**

**N. MEMBER MOTIONS**

None

**O. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

**O.1 Budget to Actual Q2 -2024**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

**Seconded By** G. Massicotte

Be It Resolved That: Council accept this quarterly budget to actual report for information.

**Carried**

**P. INFORMATION**

**This information was previously circulated to Council. If required a copy of the information is available at the Municipal Office.**

- City of Stratford resolution re: solutions to resolve financial and budgetary pressures
- City of Stratford resolution re: call to action to meet the deadline of accessible Ontario by 2025
- The Town of Cochrane resolution re: Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box for 'Ineligible' Sources
- Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan resolution re: Regulations for Safe Use of Lithium-ion batteries
- Municipality of Central Manitoulin resolution re: Public Health Ontario Phasing out Free Water Testing for Private Wells
- Township of Emo resolution re: request for new Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework
- Town of Kearney resolution re: to support Township of Pelee - to implement Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural municipalities

- Township of Puslinch resolution re: MFIPPA modernization
- Township of Puslinch resolution re: to support Township of Lake of Bays - request for Royal Assent of Admin Monetary Penalty System in the OBCA
- Town of Smith Falls - resolution re: regulations to restrict keeping of non-native (exotic) wild animals
- City of Pickering resolution re: to support Town of Amaranth - water testing services for private drinking water
- County of Frontenac resolution re: to support Hastings County and the Township of Stirling-Rawdon - Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities
- Town of New Tecumseth resolution re: Public Health phasing out free water testing for private wells
- Township of Bonnechere Valley resolution re: to support increase to infrastructure funding
- County of Northumberland resolution re: to support Municipality of St. Charles - Social and Economic Prosperity Review
- County of Northumberland resolution re: to support Municipality of St. Charles - Catch and Release Justice
- County of Northumberland resolution re: to support Hastings County - Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities

**Q. CONFERENCE AND CONVENTIONS**

AMO Annual Conference - Ottawa August 18 – 21, 2024

**R. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Kallioinen thanked all those who contributed in all the great summer events that were held throughout the community over the summer.

Mayor Gervais reminded everyone of the Drug Awareness Walk at the end of the month.

**S. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Corporate Services Committee Meeting of September 3, 2024 @ 4:00 pm in the Main Level Boardroom (Tentative)

Regular Meeting of Council of September 10, 2024 @ 7:00 pm in Council Chambers

Community Services Committee Meeting of September 17, 2024 @ 4pm in the Main Level Boardroom

Regular Meeting of Council of September 24, 2024 @ 7:00 pm in Council Chambers

**T. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By** A. Kelly

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned.

Time: 7:37pm

**U. CLOSED MEETING (if required)**

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Douglas Gervais

Mayor

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Joseph Burke

CAO/Clerk