

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Council Meeting Highlights December 11, 2023

The following is a summary of the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on December 11, 2023:

- Council approved the minutes of the Special Council Meeting and Regular Council Meeting from November 27, 2023.
- Council received a delegation from the Climate Action and Waste Diversion Committee regarding the Climate Lens Annual Report of Municipal Progress for the Climate Action Plan.
- Council received a report from the Committee and Licensing Coordinator regarding a 2023 Committee Operations Overview.
- Council received a report from the Committee and Licensing Coordinator regarding the Expansion of the Short-term Accommodation Licensing Program.
 - Council directed the Committee and Licensing Coordinator to prepare a subsequent report regarding the expansion of the Short-term Accommodation Licensing Program into Rural and Commercial Zones, the reduction of the cap from 700 to 500 licences within the Municipality, and restrictions on Class C Short-term Accommodations within rural or residential zones, for clarification.
- Council received a report from the GIS/IT Manager regarding Asset Management Software.
 - Council supported the allocation of unused 2023 Asset Management and Software operating budget to purchase Brightly Asset Essentials Enterprise.
- Council authorized the CAO to sign an Agreement for an End User Licence Agreement with Ecopia Tech Corporation.
- Council received a report from the Chief Building Official regarding Affordable Housing.
- Council received a report from the Chief Building Official regarding Proposed amendments to By-law 2023-94, Licensing, Regulating and Governing Food Truck Businesses.

- Amendments will be made prior to the January 8, 2024, adoption of Bylaw 2023-94.
- It was noted that the application date for the first year of the program will be extended to April 15, 2024.
- Council approved a 5-year contract with Questica Budgeting Software for a total of \$147,378.
- Council approved contracting the services of BDO as a consultant for the implementation of Asset Retirement Obligations at an estimated cost of \$42,500 to be included in the 2024 Budget.
- Council approved the Community Funding and directed staff to distribute the grants prior to passing of the 2024 Budget.
- Council approved further funding for the Meeting Place Pavilion Project in the amount of \$8,621.90 to cover the budget shortfall.
- Council received a report from the Treasurer regarding the Municipal Accommodation Tax Expansion.
 - The expansion of the Municipal Accommodation Tax has been deferred at this time.
- Council received a report from the Clerk regarding Volunteer Recognition Day 2024
 - The Annual Recognition Day event is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17th, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at the Rotary Hall in Lion's Head.
- Council received a report from the Clerk regarding the collection of unpaid line fence construction.
- Council received a report from the Clerk regarding the Accessibility Annual Status Report for 2023.
- Council received the Accounts Payable Voucher for November 2023, in the amount of \$1,263,748.99.
- Council received several correspondence items as information.
- Council directed two correspondence items, regarding a petition for a 3-way stop at the intersection of Dyers Bay Road and Dock Lane and Battery Energy Storage Systems, to Municipal Staff for review.
- Council approved 5 By-laws; a Procedural By-law, A By-law to appoint a Municipal Emergency Control Group, a By-law to authorize an Emergency Plan, A confirmatory By-law, and a Fees and Charges By-law.

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