

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF COUNCIL OF VAL RITA-HARTY
HELD THE 24TH OF MARCH, 2021 AT 7 PM
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN VAL RITA AND ELECTRONICALLY**

PRESENT :

Johanne Baril	Mayor
Alain Tremblay	Councillor
Angèle Beauvais	Councillor
Carole Lessard	Councillor
Roger Lachance	Councillor

ALSO PRESENT :

Denis Dorval	Mayor of Opatatika
Guillaume Richy	Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER AND REFLEXION TIME

B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOVED BY : Councillor Carole Lessard

RES. # 033-20

SECONDED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay

That the agenda is accepted with the addition of the following :

B.1) Amendement of the procedure by-law to allow participation electronically.

I.4) Porcupine Health Unit - Minutes of the 23rd of January 2020

L.2) Conditions of employment during the COVID-19

L.3) Official statement to the residents of Val Rita - Harty

CARRIED

B.1) Amendement of the procedure by-law 1033-16

Due to the exceptional social distancing measures, recommended during the COVID-19 pandemic, the by-law has been amended in order to allow electronic participation.

MOVED BY : Councillor Angèle Beauvais
SECONDED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay

RES.# 034-20

WHEREAS the subsection 238(3.3) to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides that a municipality's procedural by-law may provide that, during an emergency (declared in accordance with the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*) members of council, local boards, or committee of either of them participating electronically may be counted in determining quorum at any point in time, and

WHEREAS the subsection 238(3.4) to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides that a municipality may amend the procedural by-law and that members participating electronically in such a meeting may be counted in determining quorum

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the municipal procedure by-law #1033-16 be amended with the addition of Subsection 10.3, as follows:

10.3. During an emergency declared in accordance with the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*) members of municipal council may participate electronically to meetings and may be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of members is present at any point in time.

CARRIED

C. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL INTEREST THEREOF

None declared.

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED BY : Councillor Carole Lessard
SECONDED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay

RES. # 035-20

That the minutes of the regular meeting from the 18th of February 2020 be accepted with corrections to the point F.

CARRIED

E. ITEMS ARISING FROM MINUTES

F. DEPUTATION / PRESENTATION/ PETITION

The mayor of Opasatika, Denis Dorval, presents to the Council the deliberations

The mayor of Opasatika, Denis Dorval, reports to the council the deliberations of the working group to study the revision of the allocation formula for the Cochrane DSSAB.

The municipal Council will send a letter to the CDSSAB Board to request a revision of the formula before 5 years, and the revision of the composition of the Board.

G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1) City of Timmins

MOVED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay
SECONDED BY : Councillor Roger Lachance

RES.# 036-20

That the municipality of Val Rita - Harty supports the city of Timmins to demand that the opioid crisis is recognized as a national health epidemic.

G.3) Town of Bracebridge

MOVED BY : Councillor Angèle Beauvais
SECONDED BY : Councillor Carole Lessard

RES.# 037-20

That the municipality of Val Rita – Harty support the Town of Bracebridge to demand the ban of single-use cleaning wipes.

CARRIED

G.5) NEOMA

MOVED BY : Councillor Carole Lessard
SECONDED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay

RES.# 038-20

That the municipality of Val Rita – Harty support NEOMA to demand the recovery of Cochrane’s daily rail link with Moosonee.

CARRIED

H. REPORTS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Sales for tax arrears are postponed to a later date, after the pandemic period.

MOVED BY : Councillor Angèle Beauvais
SECONDED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay

RES.# 039-20

That the reports of the municipal officers be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

I. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

MOVED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay
SECONDED BY : Councillor Carole Lessard

RES.# 040-20

That the reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

J. DIFFERED ITEMS

K. ACCONTS PAYABLE

MOVED BY : Councillor Carole Lessard

RES. # 041-20

SECONDED BY : Councillor Angèle Beauvais

That the accounts payable from February 1st to February 29th, 2020 in the amount of 373 477,20\$ be approved.

CARRIED

L. OTHER BUSINESS

L.2) Conditions of employment during the COVID-19 pandemic

Due to the provincial state of emergency, le community Center will remain closed, and the community coordinator will be placed in temporary layoff.

Employees required to respect the self-isolation period will receive their regular salary.

L.3) Official statement to the residents of Val Rita - Harty

An official statement will be sent the 25th of March, 2020 to the residents of Val Rita – Harty to remind them of the precautionary measures to limit the spread of COVID-19.

M. MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

N. IN CAMERA SESSION

O. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY : Councillor Alain Tremblay

RES. # 042-20

That the meeting be adjourned at 8 :44 pm.



Johanne Baril
Mayor



Guillaume Richy
Clerk