

**REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY DECEMBER 3, 2019
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: Shelly Bailey, John Bucknell, Lynn Orchard, Adam Chevis

Staff: Lynne Duguay, Donny Cameron, Brenda Barbarie, Cindy Findlay, Matt Jarrell

1. Call Meeting to Order
#19-414
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that we open our Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.”
CD.
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
3. Adoption of Agenda
#19-415
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#19-416
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council Meeting held on November 19, 2019 and Special Minutes of Council held on November 26, 2019 be accepted as presented.”
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - Grader Repairs
Part is back to the shop and hopefully the grader is put back together by end of this week.
 - EARS Meeting
Extra meeting was held on November 28 in regard to the tendering procedures. Road Supers and Clerks will be having a meeting to discuss further.
 - Pickup17-5
Repairs to the truck were done at Prouse. Leaking injection tube cause faults. Repairs were done under warranty.
 - Littering-Gordon Lake Rd.
Garbage that was discarded on Gordon Lake Rd. Roads Dept. ended up picking up 12 bags of trash. A name was found in it and an invoice sent for the labour and use of equipment.
 - Landfill
Clean up of share shed and surrounding area has been done to accommodate for more efficient snow plowing.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - Sportsplex
Bulwark completed their test area on Nov. 26. So far no leaks.
 - Sylvan Valley Hall
Still waiting to have floor fixed. Pest Management Control was called to deal with a hole in the ground.
 - Echo Bay Hall
Stove has gone out on 2 more occasions. LSC to price a gas stove for 2020 budget.

-Kids Can Cook

Nov. 27 at Echo Bay Hall we had 25-30 kids-some cancelled due to storm. They made pierogi casserole, caesar salad and sugar & gingerbread cookies.

-NEORA-Conference call tomorrow at 2:30.

-Events/Programs

-Snow Falcons-request for use of Sylvan Valley Hall
#19-418

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we authorize the use of the Sylvan Valley Hall for the Snow Falcons Snow Mobile Club meetings at no charge.”

CD.

c) Fire Chief

-Letter of Recommendation

#19-417

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we appoint Matthew Bringleson to the Echo Bay Volunteer Fire Department as a Probationary Firefighter as recommended by Fire Chief conditional to all requirements being met.”

CD.

-Activity Report

One call during this report period. Looking at relocating the wall hydrant to the middle of the truck bay where it was originally intended to be located. All equipment in good working order. Training consisted of a hose training session at Hurley Haven Seniors Building.

#19-419

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we accept the reports from the Road Super, Leisure Services Coordinator and Fire Chief as presented.”

CD.

d) Treasurer’s Report

e) Cemetery Board

-November 25, 2019-Report

A lot of stones were reinforced this year. Maple Leaf sign will be erected next year.

f) Planning Board

Last meeting was very good. Algoma Public Health was there and shared a lot of good information. They also had a presentation on the GIS Mapping software.

g) Police Services Board

-November 25, 2019-Report

Still no provincial representative.

h) Algoma District Services Administration Board

i) Algoma District Municipal Association

j) Landfill/Recycling

-Letter of Inquiry Regarding Acceptance of Waste for disposal at the Township of MMAA Landfill Site

#19-425

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to send a letter in response to a letter received from Garden River First Nation to accept waste. Council is in opposition to this request.”

CD.

k) Sewer and Water

-December 20 next Progress Meeting for Environment Centre Improvements

-OCWA 1/4ly meeting Wednesday December 18, 2:30 p.m.

7. By-Law

19-2058 Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan

#19-426

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to draft By-law #19-2058 being a by-law to Establish an Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan.”

CD.

#19-427

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we give By-law #19-2058 its first and second reading.”

CD.

#19-428

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we give By-law #19-2058 its third and final reading.”

CD.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

a) Staff Christmas Bonus

#19-429

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we give all full time staff a \$100.00 Christmas Bonus.”

CD.

b) Discussion on Staff Increases-In Closed Session

c) Township of Johnson-CENGN Northern Ontario Residential Broadband Program

d) North Shore Sports & Auto (Camp Wakonda)-Rezone & Severance Preliminary meetings have taken place for the request for a rezone to Seasonal Residential and severance to create 3 additional lots. Public Meeting to be scheduled in January prior to planning public meeting.

e) Employee Performance Appraisals-December 12, 2019

f) East Algoma Ontario Health Team-November 28, 2019 7:00 p.m.

MacLennan Community Hall-Report

#19-430

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we appoint Mayor Watson as our representative to the East Algoma Ontario Health Team Leadership Council.”

CD.

g) Building Permits

#19-431

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we acknowledge the CBO approved building permits to Andre Trahan-relocation of cottage, Superior Propane-new roof, Twp. of Macdonald-Environment Centre Improvements, Marjorie Deruyte-renovations/siding, Harri Hakkarainen-living space on second floor, Derek Hurley-addition and a Demolition Permit to Andre Trahan-removal of red rental cottage.”

CD.

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account
#19-420
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that we authorize the Treasurer to pay the bills for November 2019 as follows:
Invoices: \$229,100.45
Payroll: \$39,252.04
Total: \$268,352.49

CD.

Mayor Watson declared a conflict on the next resolution and left the room.

- #19-421
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that we authorize the Treasurer to pay Algoma Ag. Centre \$2,765.43 and North America Construction (1993) Ltd. \$311,954.87.”

CD.

Mayor Watson returned to the meeting.

11. Closed Session-Permissive
#19-422
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 8:00 p.m. to consider the following subject matter in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 239(2) :

d) labour relations or employee negotiations;

CD.

Discussed Wage Increases and Person Cell Phone usage.

- #19-423
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that this Council come out of Closed Session at 8:25 p.m. and continue its Regular Council Meeting.”

CD

- #19-424
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that Council approve a 4% raise for all employees for 2020.”

CD.

Council to discuss their increases at the January 7, 2020 Council Meeting.

12. Correspondence
- a) Town of Amherstburg/Twp. of Springwater-Joint and Several Liability Consultation
b) Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville-Ban of Single-Use Disposable Wipes
c) MPP Mike Mantha-Requesting support for:
1: Clean Water for Indigenous Communities
#19-432
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that we support MPP Michael Mantha in petitioning the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to fix the Northern Health Travel Grant to ensure more people get the care they need, when they need it.”
CD.
- 2: Fix the Northern Health Travel Grant
#19-433
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we support MPP Michael Mantha in petitioning the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to require the Ford Government to reinstate all funding to the 50 Million Tree Program immediately.”
CD.

3: Improve Winter road Maintenance on Northern Highways
#19-434
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we support MPP Michael Mantha in petitioning the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to classify all 400 series highways, the QEW highway and Hwy 11 & 17 as Class 1 highways and ensure that the pavement in Class 1 highways be bare of snow within eight hours of the end of snowfall.”

CD.

4: Save the 50 Million Tree Program

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments
Clerk shared that the school is having their turkey lunch for all the kids once again this year and they are partnering with the township to invite the Seniors of our community and have an extra sitting for them.

14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law
#19-435
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #19-2059 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on December 3, 2019.”

CD.

15. Adjournment
#19-436
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to January 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2020.

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR