

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY JANUARY 7, 2020
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: John Bucknell, Shelly Bailey, Adam Chevis, Lynn Orchard (absent-vacation)

Staff: Lynne Duguay

1. Call Meeting to Order
#20-01
Moved by: John Bucknell
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
#20-02
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#20-03
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council Meeting held on December 3, 2019
be accepted as presented.”
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
-232 Church St.
Call out on Christmas Day to shut the water off because water was
flowing out of the foundation.
-Truck 12-5
Break down on Dec. 30, parts were picked up (air governor) and repair
was done. We were down for about 4 hours.
-December 30-31
Heavy wet snow took down numerous trees. Plow truck grader and
backhoe was used to clear roads.
Plow truck still leaking anti-freeze-not sure where the leak is. Have
ordered a hose hoping that is it.
-Letter received from Richard Gamble-Hwy 17 Rehabilitation 2021
Clerk to contact Mr. Gamble and confirm this notice is strictly for the
rehabilitation of Hwy 17 4-lane which has been in the works for a while.
Should not affect Echo Lake Rd. Clerk to get information on a slumpage
in that area, also transports really shake his house when they go by.
Council has received a number of calls in regard to the roads being icy
over the last couple of weeks and during the holidays. Road crew have
been following our protocol and probably exceeding it. We sand hills,
corners etc. but not the whole road and not straight stretches. This protocol
will continue. We have already used up 5/8 of the amount of sand we used
for all of last winter season. A thought is to put information in our
newsletter in regard to what our Minimum Maintenance Standards are and
how we exceed them. Also some tips for winter driving may be helpful.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
-Sportsplex
Keeping an eye on a spot on the ice under the east condenser.

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-Sylvan Valley Hall

Steps and new deck have heaved a bit and Home Hardware adjusted them in order for the front door to open.

-Echo Bay Hall-furnace being serviced.

-Tower Lake

Thursday Jan. 2, 2020 we were contacted that trees had fallen over the power line going into the tower lake cabin and the mast had been damaged. Down the Line Electric was contacted to take a look and do the repair.

-NEORA

Board conference call took place on December 4. LSC nominated as secretary and in charge of website.

-Summer Students

#20-04

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we apply to Young Canada Works for a Museum/Lending Library Student for 10 weeks for summer 2020.”

CD.

#20-05

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we apply to Canada Summer Jobs, Office/Food Security Assistant, Summer Recreational Assistant and a Parks Beautification and Tourism Abettor for summer 2020.”

CD.

-Events/Programs

Snowmobile Course has 14 participants and took place on Dec. 21.

Christmas Parade of Lights was excellent this year but need to look at more secure road blocks for next year.

Hockey Program-women starts on Jan 5 and youth begins Jan. 7

Skate Program-starts Jan. 22 and is being offered by Shamrock Figure Skating Club

c) Fire Chief

-Activity Report

2 calls over the Christmas Break-one for a tree on the power line and other was a false alarm at Seniors Complex.

No fire hall maintenance issues to report. Wall hydrant work will be done in the first part of January.

Equipment Maintenance-rescue truck #12 had a minor reoccurring issue with the rear brakes that had to be repaired. Tanker truck #11 will be going in for air actuated dump valve that has malfunctioned and needs to be replaced.

#20-06

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“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

f) Planning Board

-E2019-13 Levis Vallee

#20-07

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we recommend consent be granted to Application #2019-13, Owner Levis Vallee in the Township of Aberdeen Additional.”

CD.

g) Police Services Board

-Next Meeting January 20, 2020

h) Algoma District Services Administration Board

i) Algoma District Municipal Association

j) Landfill/Recycling

-Discussion on Bag Tags-Landfill Identification Cards

Discussed whether we will continue using bag tags in 2021 or if they have served their purpose. We do need to send out new landfill identification cards. Suggestion to send out new cards for 2021 with the number of bags permitted to be tossed similar to a punch card. Discussed an entry system where people have to stop and check in. Lots of ideas with a lot more discussion required. Set up meeting with landfill staff to discuss further.

k) Sewer and Water

7. By-Law

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

a) Council Honourarium Increase for 2020 (in Closed Session)

b) Clerks Forum-March 19, 2020 Sudbury
#20-08

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to attend the 2020 Northern Clerks Forum on Thursday March 12, 2020 in Sudbury. \$50.00 Registration fee.”

CD.

c) Confirm Dates for Meetings for 2020
#20-09

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we approve the meeting schedule for 2020 as presented.”

CD.

d) Sylvan Valley Hall Improvements Recognition Event-Trillium
Suggested have the recognition event when the Retro Ride is in Feb. Need to check in with the retro ride organizers and see if they would want this.

e) Employee Performance Appraisals-December 12, 2019-Report (In Closed Session)

f) Building Permits

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account

11. Closed Session

#20-10

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 8:10 p.m. to consider the following subject matter in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 239(2):

b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

d) labour relations or employee negotiations;

-Employee Appraisals were completed in December and Clerk will be getting the results out to each employee.

-Discussed Council Honourarium Increase for 2020

-Clerk to set up meeting with LSC and Sportsplex Staff

#20-11

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that this Council come out of Closed Session at 9:50 p.m. and continue its Regular Council Meeting.”

CD.

#20-12

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we authorize a 4% increase for Council for 2020.”

CD.

12. Correspondence

- a) Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services-Ontario’s Poverty Reduction Strategy
- b) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing-Transforming and Modernizing the Delivery of Ontario’s Building Code Services
-Clerk to invite the CBO to a meeting to discuss what the impact will be to us with this new legislation

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Councillor Bailey inquired about the road closure of Hwy 17 on January 4 and why there were no signs or barricades at the Hwy 17 4-lane and Hwy 638 intersection. Clerk to place this on the next Police Services Board agenda.

14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law

#20-13

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #20-2060 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on January 7, 2020.”

CD.

15. Adjournment

#20-14

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to January 21, 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