

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY JULY 2, 2019
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: Shelly Bailey, John Bucknell, Lynn Orchard, Adam Chevis-Absent (sick)

Staff: Lynne Duguay

1. Call Meeting to Order
#19-254
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we open our Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. :
CD.
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
3. Adoption of Agenda
#19-255
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#19-256
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council Meeting held on June 18, 2019 be
accepted as presented.”
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - Roads Gravel
Began June 24 was completed on June 28.
All fresh gravel was coated with dust control.
 - Rain Event of June 10th
Still cleaning up. All roads back to 2 lanes by June 21. Estimating 3-4
weeks of ditching to clear washouts from rain.
#19-257
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we rent an excavator for a month in the amount of
\$8,000.00 + tax to complete the cleanup of the ditches due to the June 10,
2019 rain event.”
CD.
We will need to look for an operator for this excavator to ensure we get
the maximum numbers of hours out of it per day.
 - Roadside Grass Cutting
Normally we would have started this the last week of June. Hope to start
this week.
 - Labourer/Equipment Operator Recommendation-In Committee
 - Tree Removal Tranberg Rd.
Clerk to get an estimate for the partial removal of this tree. Also contact
the property owners and make them aware of when it will happen.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - Sportsplex
Bulwark to be setting up a meeting with us to oversee the side wall leaks
Auto scrubber has arrived and training complete. Great results.
Letters have been sent to Sault Ringette, Sault Major, Soo Peewee, Sault
Female with information about our ice rentals for 2019/2020 season.
Already have some bookings.

-Echo Bay Hall

Tender for furnace will be sent out soon.

Dishwasher is being ordered for the Echo Bay Hall.

-SylvanValley Hall

Job has been completed. Everything looks good.

-Summer Employment

All students have started.

-New Horizon for Seniors Program Grant

Has been submitted

-NEORA

Conference call scheduled for July 3, 9:00 a.m.

-Museum

Next meeting July 24 at 10:00 a.m.

12th Annual Extravaganza will be on July 7 from 1-5 at the Sportsplex.

Chairs have been ordered and should be in this week. Advertising is complete. Set up will take place on Friday.

-Loon Dollar Park

Bends are planted but still need to weed paths. Removal of trees in back still required.

-Tower Lake

Furnace was installed June 25 and cement pad for bottles.

-Flower Beds

Municipal Office bed is complete and Memorial Park and Cenotaph will be done this week. Bed at corner of Dinelle's needs a re-do. Carpet Bed Sign has been cleaned up but still needs work and red rock.

-Dunk Tank Request

#19-258

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we donate the use of our dunk tank for the Ride for Arch fundraiser that is taking place in Sault Ste. Marie on Saturday August 17, 2019. All monies raised goes directly to ARCH”

CD.

-Events/Programs

-Slo-Pitch-completed

-Soccer-has begun

-Swim Program-begins July 2 with 40 kids registered

-Summer Camps-Sports and Outdoor Adventure is still accepting applicants. Begins on July 15

-Great Waterfront Trail Adventure 2019-July 29 between 9:30-10:30 at Loon Dollar Park-a water and picture stop.

-Yoga on Sunday-cancelled for month of July

c) Fire Chief

-Activity Report

-Burn Building Location

#19-259

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Echo Bay Volunteer Fire Department to place their training burn house on the Sportsplex property to the south of the Sportsplex Building for training purposes only.”

CD.

#19-260

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

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

CD.

d) Treasurer's Report

e) Cemetery Board

f) Planning Board

g) Police Services Board

h) Algoma District Services Administration Board

i) Algoma District Municipal Association

- j) Landfill/Recycling
 - Request Letter for disposal of debris from Karhi Contracting #19-261
 - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 - Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
 - “RESOLVED that we enter into an agreement with Karhi Contracting Inc. for the disposal of 20 tandem loads of debris from the collapsing of the Duane and Debbie Shaughnessy’s house located at Bass Lake, Site Lot 28.”

CD.

- k) Sewer and Water

7. By-Law

#19-2039 Yard Maintenance By-law-deferred

#19-2046 Tax Rate By-law

#19-262

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we give By-law #19-2046 its third and final reading.”

CD.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

- a) Asset Management Policy

#19-263

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we adopt the Strategic Asset Management Policy as presented.”

CD.

- b) AMCTO Annual Conference-Clerk’s Report

- c) Tuira & Weller Bridge Project Update

Mayor Watson declared a conflict and left the room.

Councillor Orchard updated everyone in regard to information that was provided by Matt Kirby-Tulloch for the temporary bridge that will be placed to the north of the Tuira Bridge on the Lemieux’s property in order for them to access their back property. All parties seemed to be satisfied and this project can move forward.

- d) Township of Johnson-Proposal to study the benefits obtained through “shared services”

#19-264

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Mayor & Clerk Administrator to attend a joint meeting with Twp. of Johnson, Twp. of Laird, Twp. of Tarbutt, Twp. of Plummer and Town of Bruce Mines to discuss the potential for shared services.”

CD.

- e) Echo River Bridge-Garden River First Nations

Clerk provided information from Garden River Administrator that the Echo River Bridge may be closed after their bridge inspections. He inquired if the twp. would be interested in assisting financially with the repairs to this bridge if it does get closed. This is information only; we have not been notified that the bridge has in fact been closed.

- f) Huron North Community Economic Alliance-Task Force Committee to pursue a Broadband Project-looking for volunteers

- g) Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance-June 10 Flood
#19-265
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we apply to the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance Program through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for funding to assist with repairs due to the June 10, 2019 Flood Event.”

CD.

- h) Northern Community Capacity Building Program-Strategic Plan
#19-266
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that we submit an application to the Northern Community Capacity Building Program for funding for a Strategic Plan.”

CD.

- i) Building Permits
#19-267
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that we acknowledge that CBO approved permits to Joseph Valente & Hailey Summers for a garage, Rod MacIntyre for shingles and Patrick Andrew for shingles.”

CD.

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account

11. Closed Session-Permissive

#19-271

Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: John Bucknell

RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 8:20 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;**

CD.

Discussed the interviews for the Labourer/Equipment Operator Position and the recommendation from the Interview Committee.

#19-272

Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we come out of Closed Session at 8:45 p.m. and continue our Regular Council Meeting.”

CD.

We will not be hiring any of the 3 candidates interviewed due to lack of equipment experience and qualifications required for this job. Council will discuss re-posting this position later in the year. Discussed hiring an experienced operator for a month to operate the excavator we are renting to hopefully get caught up on the work from the June 10 flood. Clerk to discuss with Road Super tomorrow.

12. Correspondence

- a) OGRA/ROMA Combined Conference-Twp. of Tyendinaga etc.
#19-268
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we support the Township of Tyendinaga & Township of South Frontenac and Town of Halton Hills to re-establish a combined OGRA/ROMA Conference.”

CD.

- b) Twp. of Warwick-Enforcement of Safety on Family Farms
#19-269
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we support the Corporation of the Township of Warwick in requesting Honourable Doug Downey to work with his fellow MPP’s and agricultural leaders to find a better way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws, “or new legislation” to ensure the safety of Ontario’s farm families, employees and animals.”

CD.

- c) Municipality of Wawa-Proposed Changes to Public Health in Ontario/City of Hamilton
#19-270

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we support the Board of Health for Algoma Public Health Board in writing to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care and to local Members of provincial Parliament in Algoma to voice their concern over the amalgamation of health units and how it will impact the health of Ontarians.”

CD.

- d) City of St. Catherine’s-Free Menstrual Products at Municipal Facilities

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Mayor Watson will know after his next FONOM Meeting if he will be attending the AMO Conference or not. Clerk to place on July 16 agenda.

14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law

#19-273

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #19-2048 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on July 2, 2019.”

CD.

15. Adjournment

#19-274

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to July 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2019.

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR