

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2021
7:00 P.M. Council Chambers-In Person Meeting
ZOOM Public Phone #1-647-374-4685 Meeting ID#7257536871 Passcode #665410

Acting Mayor: Lynn Orchard (Lynn Watson-vacation)
Council: Shelly Bailey, John Bucknell, Adam Chevis
Staff: Lynne Duguay

1. Call Meeting to Order
#21-266
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we open our Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.”
CD.
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
3. Adoption of Agenda
#21-267
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#21-268
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on August 17, 2021 and Minutes from Special Meeting of Council held on August 23, 2021, be accepted as presented.”
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - McCarrell Lake Rd. Brushing
Request for Hidden Driveway sign-signs do not work. Road side grass cutting and brushing is the best route for better visibility. Road side grass cutting has been completed on McCarrell Lake Rd. and road side brushing will be done next year. A large sign state “Cottage Area Reduce Speed” was installed previously to reduce speeding.
 - 2022 Surface Treatment
Road super will present his recommendations at September 21 Council Meeting.
 - 2021 Surface Treatment
Has been completed and seems like a good job was done.
 - Culvert Request-defer for more discussion
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 - Landfill
Cameras have been installed at the landfill but so far just bears on them.
 - Sand Shed
321-269
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that we authorize Tulloch to proceed with the tender process for the Sand Shed as set out in the August 26, 2021 report and move forward with the commitment for the purchase of the 60’ x 80’ Norseman Structure in the amount of \$124,800.00 + HST.”
CD.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - Municipal Buildings & Public Washrooms
Continue the way we are for now. Halls and Share Shed to remain closed.
 - Echo Bay Hall
Quote received from Mark Summers to remove the trees at the Echo Bay Hall.
 - Community Market
August 19 Community Market was a success and another one is planned for Sunday September 26 during the Farmers Fall Fun Run.

-Hurley Park Tennis Courts

Sportcourt was installed over a 2 day period and is already getting a lot of use. The existing fence was put back and will be completed this week. It has been suggested that we leave the culverts in place and build parking spots in front of the tennis court area because there is no parking there right now. LSC is working on a Trillium Grant for playground equipment. If successful we could install next summer. It has been discussed that fill needs to be brought into this park to improve the drainage. We may be able to get some fill for free from the company that is doing the improvements to Hwy 17B. It would be a close haul for them and they will be looking for somewhere to dump.

-Algoma Travel Guide

LSC to put an advertisement in this travel guide again. Use the existing advertisement or change it up.

-Loon Dollar Monument

Flower beds have been cleaned out completely and being prepared to refurbish them. Ideal Landscaping is working on the brick work and hoping to be done next week.

Information on Directional Signs from MTO was provided.

We received a request from an advertising company in BC for permission to film a commercial at the Loon Dollar Monument Park. The filming will take place on September 24 & 25.

We met with Ideal Landscaping to ensure the reburbing of the park will be completed prior to this date. LSC also stated that the beds will be completed before then as well.

#21-270

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we approve the use of The Loon Dollar Monument Park for the filming of a commercial by Rethink.”

CD.

We will be receiving all of the logistics and the agreement in a couple of days. Clerk will forward details once received. Looking at filming the A&W Commercial on Saturday September 25.

-Sportsplex

Starting to get bookings in place for the ice this season.

#21-271

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Leisure Services Coordinator to post for Part Time Arena Caretaker for the 2021/2022 season.”

CD.

Do we want to paint the curling lines this year?

-Parade of Lights

The theme for this year's Parade of Lights will be “Proudly Canadian Christmas”. Not sure yet if we will be able to have the regular Parade or if due to COVID limitations we will have to go with a “Frozen” Parade again.

c) Fire Chief

-Activity Report

-Emergency Calls-No calls this report

-Fire Hall Maintenance-Ongoing

-Equipment Maintenance-Ladder testing was completed on August 28th and pump testing is scheduled for September 8th and will be completed by Commercial Truck and Equipment from Mississauga. M and L will be completing the SCBA inspection and certifications in September.

-Training-Regular training started up again on August 23. First Response Training has been scheduled to resume late November. This was started in Early 2020.

#21-272

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“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

Next Meeting September 27, 2021.

f) Planning Board

-E2021-11 b-Applicant Tyler Brown

#21-273

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we recommend that consent be granted for Consent Application #-2021-11b, Applicant Tyler Brown for an easement, conditional on the registered easement having frontage directly on Cottage Road.”

CD.

-E2021-14-Applicant John Phillips

#21-204

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we recommend that consent be granted for Consent Application E-2021-14, Applicant-John Phillips with no conditions.”

CD.

-E2021-15-Applicant Wallenius

#21-275

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we recommend that consent be granted for Consent Application E-2021-15 Applicant-Donald Wallenius with no conditions.”

CD.

-E2021-16-Applicant Paula Dunning

#21-276

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we recommend that consent be granted for Consent Application E-2021-16 Applicant-Paula Dunning with no conditions.”

CD.

-E2021-17-Applicant Toni MacLeod

#21-277

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we recommend that consent be granted for Consent Application E-2021-17, Applicant-Toni MacLeod conditional on an application for the sewer and water connection to be completed prior to a building permit being issued.”

CD.

g) Police Services Board

-September 27 next meeting

h) Algoma District Services Administration Board

i) Algoma District Municipal Association

j) Landfill/Recycling

-Landfill Caretaker Position Recommendation

5 people were interviewed.

#21-278

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we recommend Benoit Lefebvre be hired as our Part Time Landfill Caretaker on a 3 month probation period and conditional to all requirements being met.”

CD.

k) Sewer and Water

7. By-Laws

8. Unfinished Business

-Colin Gowlett request for an Easement

Letter was sent to Mr. Gowlett with the Municipal Planners recommendation.

Mr. Gowlett sent a letter stating that he was willing to accept the municipal planners recommendation and Council's conditions in regard to an easement. Clerk to contact Mr. Gowlett to confirm the location of where he would want the easement to be exactly prior to final approval.

9. New Business

a) Business Continuity Plan Update & Discussion

-opening of halls-not opening yet

-opening of share shed-not opening yet

b) Canada Life Benefit Renewal

#21-279

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we renew our Benefit Plan for employees with Canada Life for one year beginning October 1, 2021 with an overall 3.9% increase.”

CD.

- c) Echo Bay Elk’s Grass Cutting Agreement
#21-280

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Grass Cutting Agreement with the Eco Bay Elks.”

CD.

- d) Mandatory Vaccine Policy

Clerk to have more information for next meeting. Waiting for more information from Algoma Public Health and Provincial Government.

- e) Building Permits

- 10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account

- 11. Closed Session

- 12. Correspondence

- 13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

- 14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law
#21-281

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #21-2118 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on September 7, 2021.”

CD.

- 15. Adjournment
#21-282

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to September 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2021.

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR