

SPECIAL MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY APRIL 12, 2022
7:00 P.M. –Echo Bay Community Hall-In Person

Mayor: Lynn Watson

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

Staff: Lynne Duguay, Andy Roberts, Lacey Kastikainen, Trisha Daynard

Delegation: Jennifer Errington, Dick Beitz, Ed Lapish, Todd Rydall, Frank Turco, Rhonda Crozier

1. Call Meeting to Order
#22-110
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Adam Chevis
“RESOLVED that we open our Special Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.”
CD.
 2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
 3. Adoption of Agenda
#22-111
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
 4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 5. Delegations/Public Presentation
 6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - c) Fire Chief
 - 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
 - k) Sewer and Water
 7. By-Laws
 8. Unfinished Business
 9. New Business
 - a) Joint Meeting with Township of Laird
 1. Joint Roads Projects
 - i) Bar River Road
This joint project is taking place Summer 2022, Culverts were changed last year to prepare for this project. Suggested grading and putting in new gravel in these spots prior to surface treatment. Discussed the width of the road and how far the surface treatment will go ensuring the extra width to prevent losing the edge of the surface treatment.
 - ii) Cloudy Lake Road
Discussed doing some work on both portions of Cloudy Road to prepare for surface treatment in the next couple of years. Laird agreed with this. There is some rock that needs to be dealt with in there. We grade and plow all Cloudy Lake Road. Snow removal and turn around is an issue at the end of Cloudy Lake Road in the Twp. of Laird section. Need to contact the property owner at the end of the road to build a proper turn around. More discussion required.
- Clerk to update the Bar River Road Joint Agreement to include other Roads that we share maintenance on. Will forward to Laird Clerk once amended.

iii) Shared Services Discussion

With the Municipal Modernization Programs and a lot of focus from the Provincial Government on Shared Services now is the time to take a look and see if there are any other areas (other than what we already have in place) that we can share services. More discussion.

2. Speed Limit on Bar River Road

#22-112

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we reduce the Speed Limit on Bar River Road to 60km in agreement with Township of Laird and authorize the Clerk to amend By-law #12-1762 to reflect this change.”

CD.

3. Landfill Letter-Twp. of Laird Residents

We received a letter from Twp. of Laird requesting if we can allow their residents from Cloudy Lake Road to access our landfill because they have to drive a lot further to get to their landfill. The answer is no, as our Environmental Compliance Approval does not allow us to accept debris from any Township other than ours and Township of Kehoe.

4. Community Safety Zone-Bar River

Township of Laird is looking at creating a Community Safety Zone in 3 areas of their township. Bar River Hamlet is one of the areas and would like us to do this jointly with them.

5. Fire Department Agreement-Capital Purchases

At this point in time our Fire Chief has no major capital purchases over the next couple of years. He is working on a 5-year capital plan that we will share once it is complete. Councillor Rydall commented on the great service they have received over many years that we have provided Fire Services to them through our agreement. Discussed one amendment to the agreement-removal of d) where the Fire Department needs approval from Council to attend fires at the Laird Landfill. There are new rules coming from the province in regard to training and certification of volunteer firefighters. We are in good shape but will have 3 new firefighters in the near future.

6. Leisure Services-Joint Programs

We provided a list events and programs that we have done jointly with Twp. of Laird throughout the Pandemic. Hopefully between both municipalities we will get approval for enough summer students to run our summer programs without our LSC needing to assist them. We will not be running the swim program this year due to the City of SSM not being able to confirm until end of May. We will be having an additional summer camp in place of it.

Sportsplex has had a great year with rentals other than when we had to close due to Provincial Guidelines and Pandemic.

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account

11. Closed Session-Permissive

12. Correspondence

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Councillor Orchard inquired about the Sand Shed in Twp. of Laird and where they get their sand from. Made them aware that we built a Sand Dome and will be filling it this summer to be ready for winter of 2022/2023. At some point in time if they require to purchase sand, they can contact us.

14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law

#22-113

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #22-2139 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on April 12, 2022.”

CD.

15. Adjournment
#22-114
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to April 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2022.

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR