

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY OCTOBER 5, 2021
7:00 P.M. Council Chambers-In Person Meeting
ZOOM Public Phone #1-647-374-4685 Meeting ID#7257536871 Passcode #665410

Mayor: Lynn Watson

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

Staff: Lynne Duguay

1. Call Meeting to Order
321-300
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
#21-301
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#21-302
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on September 21, 2021, be accepted as presented.”
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - Bridges
New guard railing installed on Echo River Bridge and old pilings removed.
 - Culverts
Many culverts installed this season and still working on more. Inventory is low but normal for this year. Iconix has a sale on now and has agreed to ship culverts this fall and bill us in 2022 so they can honour the 2021 prices (2022 prices expected to be increased again). Council agreed to go ahead and order the culverts for 2022 and we will pay in 2022.
 - Gravel
Waiting on Gilbertson for pricing on delivery of 1100 tonnes
 - Tennis Courts
Backfilling around cement pad has been taking place.
 - Sand Dome
#21-303
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that we accept Tulloch’s recommendation to accept the tender price for the Sand Shed Construction from Mike Moore Construction in the amount of \$330,855.00 + HST.”
CD.
 - Culvert Policy
No amendments at this time.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - Municipal Buildings & Public Washrooms
Will remain closed at this time. Trees at Echo Ball Hall are being removed.
 - Loon Dollar Monument
Looks clean and fresh and completed other than the new signs. A&W \$1 Coffee Commercial Production seemed to be a success. We will wait and see if any of our community members make the cut for the commercial.

-Sportsplex

#21-304

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we post for 2 Municipal Facilities Greeters/Screeners for the Sportsplex to be in place when it opens on November 1, based on Algoma Public Health Unit recommendations and the Chief Medical Officer of health as well as Provincial Regulations.”

CD.

Are we opening the canteen the year?

Propane Training Course (cylinder exchange) being set up for all 3 Caretakers.

-Farmers Fall Fun Run

A great time was had by all 90 participants doing the 1K, 2K or 5K. The Fire Department and OPP Auxiliary raised \$367.00 for the Echo Bay & Area Food Bank. The Community Market was a nice addition to the Fall Fun Run.

-Treats in Your Trunk

This event will be taking place again this year on Sunday October 31 from 1-3 at the Sportsplex Parking Lot. You will need to register your trunk and well as registering the trick or treaters that will be going around to the trunks.

-Health Communities Initiative-Splash Pad Application

We were not successful with this application.

-Part Time Arena Caretaker Applications-Interviews

We only received one application.

c) Fire Chief

-Activity Report

-one burning complaint

#21-305

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

f) Planning Board

g) Police Services Board

-October 4 meeting report-excellent meeting. Acting Staff Sgt. Bordin attended in place on Staff Sgt. Byrnes. Draft Community Safety and Well Being Plan was presented to the Board as well as sent out to all agencies/partners. This will be finalized at next PSB meeting and forwarded to Council for final adoption before the end of this year.

h) Algoma District Services Administration Board

i) Algoma District Municipal Association

-September 25 Fall Meeting Report-meeting was held virtually and was well attended. Went over changes to the 2022 Municipal Election and discussed COVID-19 Policies.

j) Landfill/Recycling

k) Sewer and Water

7. By-Laws

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

a) Business Continuity Plan Update & Discussion

-opening of halls

-opening of share shed

-Guidelines for entering municipal facilities

b) Municipal Modernization Program Intake 3

We will apply for this program for an internal review in regard to modernization and digitalization.

c) Appreciation Dinner 2021-Gift Certificates?

We will be cancelling the Appreciation Dinner again this year and send out \$50.00 gift certificates to all employees, board & committee members and volunteers. They will be sent out the last week of October first week of November and be valid until December 20, 2021.

d) Mandatory Vaccine Policy-Adoption

#21-306

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we adopt the COVID-19 Employee Vaccination Policy and have it inserted into our Human Resources Policy under Section 7-Health and Safety.”

CD.

e) Northern Rural Net Request

Council was not in favour of allowing Northern Rural Net to install a tower on municipal property or an antenna on the Water Tower.

f) #21-307

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we authorize Lacey Kastikainen to register for the Basic Emergency Management (BEM) Training on October 18-20, 2021-virtual. Registration fee \$333.35.”

CD.

g) Building Permits

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account

11. Closed Session

12. Correspondence

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Clerk to send letter to MTO in regard to the mess at the intersection of Hwy 17 4-lane and Hwy 638 with the construction taking place there. This intersection is very busy and should not be closed for long periods of time requiring vehicles to re-route. This especially concerning for emergency vehicles. Send letter to MPP Mike Mantha.

14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law

#21-308

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #21-2120 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on October 5, 2021.”

CD.

15. Adjournment

#21-309

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to October 19, 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