

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
7:00 P.M. –Council Chambers

Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge, with respect, that we are in Robinson-Huron Treaty territory, that the land on which we are gathered is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe and known as Bawating. Bawating is the home of Garden River First Nation, Batchewana First Nation, and the Historic Metis Council.

Mayor: Lynn Watson

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

Staff: Lynne Duguay

1. Call Meeting to Order
#22-257
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
#22-258
Moved by: John Bucknell
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#22-259
Moved by: Adam Chevis
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on August 23, 2022, be accepted as presented.”
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - Echo Lake Road Stabilization Project
Phillips Contracting has added construction signs to the area but have not started the project yet.
 - Culverts
Installed 2 culverts
 - Winter Sand Tender Results
Tender opening august 30, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Bids were received from Gilbertson and Garden River
#22-260
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: John Bucknell
“RESOLVED that we accept the tender from Bernt Gilbertson Enterprises Limited for the Winter Sand Tender 2022 in the amount of \$25,005.00 +taxes.”
CD.
 - Repair on Watson Road
Ordered two drums of RS1 emulsion to repair bump on Watson Road. Planning to add emulsion to low areas of bump and top with surface treatment gravel.
 - Cottage Road
Brushing work taking place to prepare for ditching and a cross-culvert. Planning to meet with contractors next week to discuss road widening etc.
Widening of Cottage Road across from the Evoy property can be done in house.
 - Roadside Grass Cutting
Second pass of roadside grass cutting where required.
 - Road Superintendent-In Closed

b) Leisure Services Coordinator

-Sportsplex

Youth Hockey Program-Looking for someone to lead a youth learn to skate/hockey program.

No calls have been received for interest in curling-need to decide if we are going to have the lines painted on the ice surface this year or not.

The Community Market is scheduled for Wednesday September 21st from 6-8. This event will be rain or shine-if it rains it will be moved inside the Sportsplex.

The ice rental schedule is already started to fill in for the season Monday through Thursday rentals.

Working on a letter/poster to offer business to advertise at the Sportsplex. In the past we have charge \$125.00-should we increase this? LSC was requested to look into what Johnson & Thessalon are charging for this type of advertisement.

-Hurley Park

It was advertised in the last newsletter scheduled times for Pickleball and Tennis at the Sportsplex.

Monday and Wednesday from 8-11 a.m. for tennis and Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8-11 a.m.

for Pickleball. A sign has been posted at Hurley Park. We need to confirm the plan for site

preparation at Hurley Park for the Spring installation of the Playground Equipment.

-Farmers Fall Run

Scheduled for Sunday September 18, 2022.

-Memorial Park

A brick surround was installed around the future Christmas Tree at Memorial Park to showcase the tree. Turned out quite nice.

-Carpet Bed

Refurbishing of the Carpet Bed has begun. It will be modernized and given a fresh new look.

-Kids Can Cook

We have scheduled a Kids Can Cook on Wednesday September 28th at the Echo Bay Hall from 3:30-6:00 p.m.

-Treats in Your Trunk

Treats in Your Trunk has been scheduled for Sunday October 30th this year.

-Backup Hall Caretaker

#22-261

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we appoint Karen Helkie as our Backup Hall Caretaker.”

CD.

c) Fire Chief

#22-264

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we accept the reports from the Superintendent of Public Works, Leisure Services Coordinator and Fire Chief as presented.”

CD.

d) Treasurer’s Report

e) Cemetery Board

f) Planning Board

- Information was sent and plans provided to Planning Board in regard to mapping for the Joint Official Plan. September 27 Planning Board Meeting that Planner Chris Jones will be attending.

g) Police Services Board

-Next Meeting September 26, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

h) Algoma District Services Administration Board

i) Algoma District Municipal Association

-no meeting until the spring.

j) Landfill/Recycling

k) Sewer and Water

-Sludge Removal

#22-262

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that we accept the quote from Karhi Contracting for the removal of sewage sludge in the amount of \$408.75 + taxes per load.”

CD.

#22-263

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we accept the quote from Village of Hilton Beach for the disposal of sewage sludge in the amount of \$275.00 per load.”

CD.

7. By-Laws

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

a) Business Continuity Plan Update & Discussion

b) Naming of Road off Ends Side Road and Gamble Road-Discussion
(Alcock Road & Large Road was suggested)

#22-265

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to move forward with the process of legally naming Alcock Road and Large Road.”

CD.

c) Building Permits

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account

11. Closed Session-Permissive

#22-267

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 7:30 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 Road Superintendent Position.

#22-268

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that this Council come out of Closed Session at 7:40 p.m. and continue our Regular Council Meeting.”

CD.

#22-269

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Adam Chevis

“RESOLVED that under the authority of By-law #22-2143 being an Authority Delegation By-law as per Section 275 of the Municipal Act the Clerk Administrator Appoints Cody Jarrell as Acting Road Superintendent for a period of 1 year beginning Monday September 19, 2022.”

CD.

#22-270

Moved by; Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that under the authority of By-law #22-2143 being an Authority Delegation By-law as per Section 275 of the Municipal Act the Clerk Administrator Appoints Mike Hunter as Grader/Equipment Operator for a period of 1 year beginning Monday September 19, 2022.”

CD.

#22-271

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that under the authority of By-law #22-2143 being an Authority Delegation By-law as per Section 275 of the Municipal Act the Clerk Administrator posts for an Equipment Operator/Labourer for a 1 year Contract.”

CD.

12. Correspondence

a) Change in Federal Ridings
22-266

Moved By: Shelly Bailey

Seconded By: Adam Chevis

WHEREAS the Electoral Boundary Commission has proposed to remove one of the electoral ridings from Northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS the proposal to diminish Northern Ontario's voice in Parliament will have a detrimental effect on participatory democracy and regional development as the issues in Northern Ontario are significantly different than the issues facing the urban south; and

WHEREAS the Federal Boundary Commission proposal to cut representation in the north is contrary to the 2017 electoral boundary changes for Ontario that recognized the need to add two seats to ensure fair participation for northern residents; and

WHEREAS many of the existing ridings in Northern Ontario are already larger than many European countries, a situation that will only be worsened by the addition of massively new regions to service; and

WHEREAS the proposed new super ridings will force municipalities to compete for a limited amount of riding funding which will further exacerbate inequities in the north; and

WHEREAS Northern Ontario's population per riding is already much higher than many other rural and isolated regions in Canada's north; and

WHEREAS the courts have ruled that representation in Canada's democracy is not based merely on population but on regions of interest and the right of citizens to engage with their elected representatives; and

WHEREAS any changes to electoral boundaries should be based on the principles of maintaining communities of interest within boundaries that are equitable in terms of population and geography.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional calls on the Electoral Boundary Commission to maintain the electoral representation of Northern Ontario and ensure that any boundary changes are done in a manner that responds to regional and local need;

AND that this resolution be sent to all municipalities in the Algoma District & FONOM
CD.

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Councillor Bucknell requested the Roads Department to take a look at the bottom of the hill just passed Jarrett's on McCarrel Lake Road-it is quite rough and a lot of potholes.

Mayor Watson inquired about a project that Hydro One is doing on Birch Lake Road across from the transmission station. Clerk to notify Road Super to look into this.

14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law

#22-272

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: John Bucknell

"RESOLVED that we pass By-law #22-2155 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on September 6, 2022."

CD.

15. Adjournment

#22-273

Moved by: Adam Chevis

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

"RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to September 20, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair."

CD.

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

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR