

**REGULAR MINUTES**  
**TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL**  
**TUESDAY OCTOBER 18, 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, Adam Chevis-absent, Lynn Orchard-absent

Staff: Lynen Duguay, Lacey Kastikainen, Brenda Barbarie, Cody Jarrell

1. Call Meeting to Order  
#22-294  
Moved by: Shelly Bailey  
Seconded by: John Bucknell  
“RESOLVED that we open our Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.”  
CD.
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
3. Adoption of Agenda  
#22-295  
Moved by: Shelly Bailey  
Seconded by: John Bucknell  
“RESOLVED that we adopt the agenda as presented.”  
CD.
4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting  
#22-296  
Moved by: John Bucknell  
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey  
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on October 4, 2022, be accepted as presented.”  
CD.
5. Delegations/Public Presentation
6. Staff & Committee Reports
  - a) Road Supervisor
    - Echo Lake Road Stabilization Project  
Project is moving at a slow pace. There are 2 more cross culverts to change as well as the frost tapers to complete. Electrofishing is to take place on October 25.
    - Culverts  
All culverts have been installed to date and there will no more done this year unless there are emergencies.
    - Cottage Road  
Ditching has been completed. Case Construction to start road widening project week of October 17.
    - Hurley Park Site Preparation  
Received locates to finish ditching project. Hoping to have this completed by the end of month.
    - EARS Meeting  
October 19<sup>th</sup> in Richards Landing. Elwood Robinson will be in attendance to discuss issues with surface treatment this year. A lot of gravel was left on roads. Either used too much gravel or not enough tar. Complaints about Bar River Rd.
    - Equipment Repairs  
Both Plow Trucks have gone for semi-annual inspection and are ready for winter works.
    - Grader Repairs  
Grader was returned today and all repairs completed. A new spindle was installed as well as a brake system. Have not received the invoice yet.
    - Winter Sand  
Purchasing salt from Maple Ridge Aggregates. Gilbertson delivering sand this week and will be mixing as they go with the loader that is on site.
    - Interviews Scheduled for October 5, 2022-Completed-Position was offered but candidate declined. Reposted for this position and resumes are due Friday October 28, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.
    - 2022 Biennial Bridge Inspections  
Received report on 2022 Bridge Inspections. Road super to go through and see what work can be done in house.

b) Leisure Services Coordinator

-Sportsplex

Ice is scheduled to be painted on Thursday October 20.

The Plumbers have scheduled installation of the fountain for October 18<sup>th</sup>.

We are scheduled to open on October 31, and everything is on schedule.

Advertising for businesses has been sent out and well received. 7 have confirmed with more to come.

Still waiting for Tulloch to complete the official report for the roof analysis.

We will be running the canteen but planning on advertising to see if there is any interest out there.

-Hurley Park

Waiting for locates to do ditching.

-Seniors

Soup and Sandwich Social is scheduled for November 9 at Echo Bay Hall.

Currently completing the Safe Food Handling Course online.

-Comfort Station/Milligan Gazebo

The Plumbers will be winterizing on October 21.

-Treats in Your Trunk

Registration is open for Treats in Your Trunk. Only 6 registered so far.

-PD Day Friday November 18<sup>th</sup>

Looking at doing a "Stay At Home Alone" and Babysitting Course on November 18<sup>th</sup> at the Echo Bay Hall. This is a PD Day, and we have an instructor lined up to do it.

-Parade of Lights-Proudly Canadian Christmas-December 10, 2022

Letter has gone into MTO for the permit to close Hwy 638 the night of the Parade of Lights. The theme will be "Proudly Canadian Christmas"

-Christmas Event for Kids

The Elks approached us to partner with them for Pancakes with Santa. Would like to plan an activity at the Elks that day as well. Would also like to do a Skate with Santa on a Saturday in December.

c) Fire Chief

-Emergency Calls-No calls to report.

-Fire Hall Maintenance

New exterior lights have been installed but 2 are on back order.

-Equipment Maintenance-all equipment in good working order.

-Training

The Month of October training will be focused on Fire Prevention Activities and chimney fire operations.

-Personnel-nothing to report

-Ongoing Business

Firefighter Memorial Day was October 9 and a bbq was held at the Fire Hall. Medals were presented to Janice Catling and Brad Henshaw in person and Kevin Maloney via ZOOM. Medals for George Haldenby and Jason Willet will be presented when time permits.

#22-297

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

"RESOLVED that we accept the reports from the Road Superintendent, 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

k) Sewer and Water

7. By-Laws

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

a) Business Continuity Plan Update & Discussion

- b) Resignation Letter from CEMC  
#22-299  
Moved by: Shelly Bailey  
Seconded by: John Bucknell  
“RESOLVED that we accept the resignation letter from CEMC David Jackson, with regret and thank him for his years of dedication to our community. He will officially be done as CEMC on December 31, 2022.”

CD.

- c) 2022 Budget Overview  
Treasurer Brenda Barbarie went over the Budget numbers to date. All departments are in good shape. Waiting for invoice for Grader repair-may put that account over.  
Echo Bay Hall Lighting-looking into a program that may assist us with upgrading lighting in all our municipal buildings. Discuss the potential purchase of a new gas stove for the Echo Bay Hall before the end of this fiscal year.

- d) 2022 Emergency Management Tabletop Exercise and Training-Thursday November 24, 2022, Echo Bay Hall 6:00 P.M.  
We will be doing a joint training exercise this year hosting here at the Echo Bay Hall, Invited Township of Johnson, Plummer Additional and Town of Bruce Mines & Thessalon. We will be doing a potential water contamination emergency. Invited all Community Control Groups from each township as well as agencies including, OCWA, APH, Ministry of Environment and Canadian Red Cross.

- e) Building Permits

10. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Account  
#22-298

Moved by: John Bucknell

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVEDE that we authorize the Treasurer to pay bills for the month of September 2022:

Invoices: \$293,476.99

Payroll: \$46,013.02

Total: \$339,490.01

CD.

11. Closed Session

12. Correspondence

- a) Office of the Solicitor General-Update-Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 and OPP Detachment Boards-Information  
b) Transport Canada Safety & Security-Use of Pleasure Craft as Commercial Passenger Vessels-Information  
c) Municipality of East Ferris-Child Care Workforce Shortage

#22-300

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: John Bucknell

“RESOLVED that we support the Municipality of East Ferris in advocating the Province of Ontario to address the childcare workforce shortage in Ontario by immediately increasing the \$18.00/hour for Registered Early Childhood Educators (RECE’s) in licensed child care centres to an equitable level so that which is paid to RECE’s employed by school boards. Further request that the Province of Ontario launch and financially support an accelerated Early Childhood Education program, to be completed within 14-16 months, similar to the program launched in March 2022 for Personal Support Workers (PSW’s) where funding supported the costs of tuition, books, and other mandatory fees, to help address the shortage of RECE’s in Ontario.”

CD.

- d) Municipality of Huron Shores-Streamlining Governing Legislation for Physicians in Ontario

13. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Councillor Bucknell inquired about the driveway into Hurley Haven A & B and the terrible state it is in. With the Seniors in that building walking or riding a bike it is very dangerous. Mayor Watson to discuss with Kyle Stuckey from ADSSAB. This building is owned and maintained by them. Hopefully some repairs can take place this year. It is in their budget to redo the driveway but not until next year.

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14. Passing of Confirmatory By-law  
#22-301  
Moved by: John Bucknell  
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey  
“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #22-2158 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on October 18, 2022.”  
CD.

15. Adjournment  
#22-302  
Moved by: Shelly Bailey  
Seconded by: John Bucknell  
“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to November 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”  
CD.

**THAT** these minutes be accepted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022.

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK ADMINISTRATOR**