

Minutes of a **Regular Council Meeting** held on Tuesday May 9th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the Community Centre, Virginiatown, Ontario.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Clermont Lapointe

COUNCILLORS: Bonita Culhane
Elaine Fic
Wendy K. Weller
Annie Toupin-Keft

ALSO PRESENT:

CLERK-TREASURER: Sylvie Côté

AUDIENCE: 8 Members of the Public

1. Call to Order

Mayor Clermont Lapointe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

2. Additions/Deletions/Adoption of the Agenda:

Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

113/17
Adoption of Agenda

THAT the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 9th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Conflict of interest:

None

4. Adoption of Minutes:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

114/17
Regular Council Meeting

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, April 11th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Wendy K. Weller
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

115/17
Special Council Meeting

THAT the minutes of a Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 24th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

116/17
Special Council Meeting

THAT the minutes of a Special Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 2nd, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

None

6. Delegations/Deputations:

7. a) Submitted Question:

None

b) Audience Questions:

- Mrs Sue Culhane asked if the Solar Panels were producing energy. / Mayor replied the one on the roof of the Complex is.
- Mrs Sue Culhane asked about the building at the end of Lynch Avenue. / Councillor Bonita Culhane replied that the building issue is part of her report.
- Miss Line Lamontagne asked when will the other Solar Panels be producing energy. / Mayor answered in the Spring.

8. Correspondence Information

None

9. Council Reports:

Mayor Clermont Lapointe

- Will be attending FONOM conference in North Bay on May 11th, 2017.
- Will be attending DTSSAB meeting in Englehart on May 17th, 2017; surplus to be discussed.
- Will be attending TeMag meeting in Earleton on May 27th, 2017.
- Attended the Community Walk on May 4th, 2017, very good participation.
- Finalized the budget which will be presented tonight; reduced the mill rate of 10%.
- Attended many other meetings such as Recreation, Committee of Adjustment and Canada 150.
- Met with Pinchin representatives regarding the landfill site.
- Report on Hwy Construction – extended the berm; on schedule.

Councillor Elaine Fic

Community Policing Committee

- Meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium at the Community Centre. Topic: Elder Abuse & Scams.

Fire Department

- Currently have 19 full time members, 1 probationary, 0 auxiliary, need 8 more members for a full compliment.
- Preparing equipment for Spring & Fall
- REMINDER: Open burning is not permitted; backyard fires must be in an approved & inspected container; must have a cover, a hose, a shovel and water near the fire.
- Next meeting is Sunday May 28th, 2017

Tourist Committee

- Met on Thursday, May 4th, 2017
- Preparations are underway for the 2017 Jamboree; Building renovation; Time Capsule for Canada 150; Fashion Show
- Next meeting is Thursday, June 1st, 2017.

Strategic Planning

- Met on Tuesday, April 25th, 2017
- RFP will be going out for a new Strategic Plan as the plan expires this years.
- Committee is working on a design for a new highway sign.
- Gathering information on Bear Wise garbage cans, outdoor rink dome.
- Next meeting is Thursday, May 30th, 2017.

Councillor Wendy K. Weller

- Co-Chair on Fire, Police, Recreation, Property Standards, Timiskaming Municipal Association and on Strategic Planning Committee.
- Working on events for Canada 150.

Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft

- April 15th – held an Easter Fun Day and had an excellent turnout with 61 children plus adults participating; thank you to the Fire Department for the balloon's; thank you to Christina and Selena Sabeski for the face painting and dancing bunny; thank you Abigail Keft for letting us use her bunny "Cookie"; JR Daoust was the photographer and pictures went in the Northern Daily News twice; thank you to all who made this day possible.
- May 6th we had a "Sip & Paint" had a great turnout; thank you to Mr. William Edge. Mr Edge agreed to make another session which Recreation is working at organizing; a special thank you to Sylvia Grantins for your donation of supplies; and thank you to those who participated.
- Recreation will be selling homemade candles for Mother's Day; available at Chez Lucie's and the Township Office.
- Canada Day – full day of activities such as breakfast; hot dogs lunch; cake; inflatables; parade; games; dinner; beavertails; time capsule; bingo and fireworks. A full schedule to follow.

Councillor Bonita Culhane

Public Works

- April 19 – 20 met with Gold Candle Ltd employees at the Tourist Centre for a study of the Mine Model.
- April 24th met with Pinchin representative to discuss work performance of operation plan for the landfill site.
- Clean-up week reminder: May 23 to May 26, 2017
- Student work day: May 27, 2017
- Request residents have patience regarding noise level and traffic flow for the highway relocation project.
- Water breaks are dealt with.

Property Standards

- Meeting May 16th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room, public welcome; Forms available to address concerns; Topic on agenda: temporary structures; repeat offenders.
- Property at 59 Connell has been sold
- 32 Lynch will be addressed
- Public Work Superintendent will itemize areas where residents are infringing on Township property.

Library

- Next meeting is May 15th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. Public welcomed.
- Flyers sent out advertising summer student's application.
- Visit the library or check their website to view exciting upcoming activities.

K.L. Health Centre

- Met April 28th, 2017; accepted Quality Improvement Plan for Ontario Primary Care.
- Next meeting: call of the chair.

10. New Business:

- a) Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

117/17
Recreation Committee

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on Tuesday March 7th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

- b) Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

118/17
Tourist Committee

THAT the minutes of the Tourist Committee meeting held on Thursday, March 9th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

- c) Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

119/17
Property Standards

THAT the minutes of the Property Standards Committee meeting held on Tuesday, March 21st, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

- d) Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

120/17
Strategic Planning

THAT the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday, March 28th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

- e) Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Elaine Fic

121/17
Library use of gym

THAT Council grants permission to the McGarry Public Library and the CSCT of Virginiatown to use the gymnasium and the kitchen for their organized playgroups every Wednesday morning from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Carried

- f) Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

122/17
Lions Club

THAT Council approves of a grant in the amount of \$200.00 to the Larder/McGarry Lions Club Annual Fish Derby, to be held on June 3rd and 4th, 2017.

Carried

- g) Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

123/17
Senior's Month

WHEREAS Senior's Month is an annual province-wide celebration;

WHEREAS seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community;

WHEREAS seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this community;

WHEREAS their contribution past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told;

WHEREAS the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all further adds to the health and well-being of the community;

WHEREAS the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

I, Mayor Clermont Lapointe, do hereby proclaim June 1-30, 2017 **Seniors' Month** in the Township of McGarry and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried

- h) Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

124/17
Pinchin

THAT Council accepts and authorizes Pinchin Ltd to proceed with the performance of design and operations plan services for a value of \$3,500.00 (plus applicable taxes).

Carried

- i) Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

125/17
Reconvene Meeting

THAT Council agrees to not meet in June 2017 for a Regular Council meeting and to reconvene on Tuesday, July 11th, 2017.

Carried

- j) Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

126/17
Surplus Land

THAT Council declare Lot 92, Plan M126T, PCL 7197CST, 29 Connell Avenue, Assessment Roll # 5458 000 001 09200 0000, as surplus property and directs the Clerk-Treasurer to advertise the property for sale under the terms of the Township Land Sale By-Law.

Carried

11. Passing of Accounts:

- Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

127/17
Passing of Accounts

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

Payroll:	\$16,807.42
General:	\$142,309.35

Carried

12. Passing of By-Law:

- Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Elaine Fic

128/17
By-Law #2017-18

THAT a By-Law to establish a yearly water and sewer user fee be considered read three times and passed this 9th day of May, 2017 and numbered By-Law 2017-18.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

129/17
By-Law #2017-19

THAT a By-Law to establish Tax Ratios for the year 2017 be considered read three times and passed this 9th day of May, 2017 and numbered By-Law 2017-19.

Carried

Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

130/17
By-Law #2017-20

THAT a By-Law to adopt the 2017 Budget be considered read three times and passed this 9th day of May, 2017 and numbered By-Law 2017-20.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

131/17
By-Law #2017-21

THAT a By-Law to set and levy the rates of taxation for the year 2017 be considered read three times and passed this 9th day of May, 2017 and numbered By-Law 2017-21.

Carried

13. Closed Meeting:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

132/17
Closed Meeting

THAT Council go into closed meeting at 7:45 p.m. for the purpose of personnel and financial matters.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Annie Bonita Culhane

133/17
Out of Closed Meeting

THAT Council come out of closed meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Carried

14. Confirmation of By-Law:

Moved Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

134/17
By-Law Confirmation

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 9th day of May, 2017 and numbered By-Law 2017-22.

Carried

15. Adjournment:

Moved by Wendy K. Weller
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

135/17
Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Carried

Next Council Meeting will be Tuesday July 11th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

SIGNATURES ON FILE

CLERK-TREASURER