

Minutes of a **Regular Council Meeting** held on Tuesday, December 12th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the Community Centre, Virginiatown, Ontario.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Clermont Lapointe

COUNCILLORS: Bonita Culhane
Annie Toupin-Keft

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Elaine Fic
Wendy K. Weller

ALSO PRESENT:

CLERK-TREASURER: Sylvie Côté

AUDIENCE: 5 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 Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

264/17
Adoption of Agenda

THAT the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, December 12th, 2017 be adopted with additions.

Carried

8. New Business – j) Support to the City of Timmins

3. Disclosure of Conflict of interest:

Councillor Bonita Culhane declared a conflict of interest on 10. New Business - g) Hiring of Public Works Labourer/Operator. Councillor Culhane declared a conflict of interest in the short listing and the interview process.

4. Adoption of Minutes:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

265/17
Committee of Adjustment

THAT the minutes of the Committee of Adjustment meeting held on Wednesday, October 25th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Clermont Lapointe
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

266/17
Regular Council Meeting

THAT the minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday November 14th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

None

6. Delegations/Deputations:

None

7. a) Submitted Question:

None

b) Audience Questions:

Muriel Rose : Since the store is closing, there is a bench that belongs to the town. / Mayor replied that the bench is on Township property.

Colette Tardif:

- Inquired about the speed limit signs supporting the new By-Law. / Mayor replied that the 30kmh signs have been ordered.
- Inquired about the stop sign at 27th Street intersection, if a flashing light could be installed until spring. / Mayor replied that a request to MTO will be sent.

8. Correspondence Information

None

9. Council Reports:

Mayor Clermont Lapointe

- Will be attending a DSSAB meeting; budget for 2018 to be discussed.
- Attended conference call with AMO and AFMO discussing 2 way phone in Township and Fire Department vehicles. The province is looking at banning their use in January 2018.
- Lakefront Solar project; had many conference calls last month; now connected to the grid, some minor adjustment are necessary, they should start producing this week.
- Lagoon site; work will begin this week with a 2 month deadline to completion.
- The Township is on target with the budget.
- OCIF project is completed. We applied with phase 2 to upgrade sewer water and street repair; this is a 2 million dollars project.

Councillor Bonita Culhane

Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year.

Public Works

- There was a boil water advisory on November 24th, 2017 due to loss of pressure in Kearns.
- Interviews were held for the position of Operator/Labourer for Public Works. A successful candidate has filled the position.
- Sanding and snow removal ongoing.
- Would like to thank Public Works staff for being co-operative and helping during my term as Council Representative.
- Let's hope for good weather and safe travel over the holiday season.

Property Standards

- Few properties not meeting compliance, letters have been sent; would like to thank the committee and staff for being diligent and following through with concerns.

Library

- Quorum not present at the November 20th meeting.
- No meeting date set for December
- Council met with C.E.O to discuss employee contract.

Councillor Annie Toupin Keft

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. No report

Councillor Elaine Fic

Absent with regrets

Councillor Wendy K. Weller

Absent with regrets

10. New Business:

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

267/17
Recreation Committee

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on Tuesday October 3rd, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

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

268/17
Tourist Committee

THAT the minutes of the Tourist Committee meeting held on Wednesday, October 4th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

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

269/17
McGarry Public Library

THAT the minutes of the McGarry Public Library meeting held on Monday, October 16th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

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

270/17
Property Standards

THAT the minutes of the Property Standards Committee meeting held on Tuesday, October 24th, 2017 be adopted.

Carried

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

271/17
Kids Christmas Party

THAT Council approves the use of the gymnasium for the Kids Library Christmas Party on December 14th, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m.

Carried

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

272/17
Christmas Basket Funds

THAT Council approves of a grant in the amount of \$400.00 payable to the Royal Canadian Legion, Virginiatown, Branch 384 for the 2017 Christmas Basket Fund.

Carried

- g) Moved by Clermont Lapointe
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

273/17
Labourer/Operator

THAT Council approves of hiring Mark Brown to the position of Labourer/Operator with probation of six months in order to obtain the mandatory certification for water & wastewater system, with a starting date of November 30th, 2017.

Carried

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

274/17
Ross Pope LLP

THAT Council accepts the quote from Ross Pope LLP, Chartered Accountant for the filing of the yearly HST reports.

Carried

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

275/17
Emergency Management

THAT Council recommends and appoints Clerk-Treasurer Sylvie Côté as the Community Emergency Management Coordinator and Fire Chief Neil Albright as the alternate Community Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township of McGarry.

Carried

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

276/17
Noront Facility

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of McGarry would like to support the City of Timmins in its bid for the Noront Ferrochrome Processing Facility. We encourage Noront locate their FPF in Timmins, Ontario.

Carried

11. Passing of Accounts:

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

277/17
Passing of Accounts

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

Payroll:	\$29,594.14
General:	\$328,131.17

Carried

12. Passing of By-Law:

13. Closed Meeting:

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

278/17
Closed Meeting

THAT Council go into closed meeting at 7:25 p.m. for the purpose of personnel and financial matters.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

279/17
Out of Closed Meeting

THAT Council come out of closed meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Carried

14. Confirmation of By-Law:

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

280/17
By-Law Confirmation

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 12th day of December, 2017 and numbered By-Law 2017-40.

Carried

15. Adjournment:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

281/17
Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Carried

Next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

SIGNATURES ON FILE

CLERK-TREASURER