

Minutes of a **Regular Council Meeting** held on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the gym at the Community Centre, Virginiatown, Ontario.

**PRESENT:**

**MAYOR:** Matt Reimer

**COUNCILLORS:** Councillor Louanne Caza  
Councillor Wendy K. Weller  
Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft  
Councillor Bonita Culhane

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**DEPUTY CLERK:** Karine Pelletier

**AUDIENCE:** 14 Members of the Public

1. **Opening of Regular Meeting by the Head of Council / Ouverture de la reunion par le Maire.**
2. **Additions/Deletions/Adoption of the Agenda/Ajouts/Suppression/Adoption de l'ordre du jour.**

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

**249/2019**  
**Agenda Adoption**

THAT the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, November 12<sup>h</sup>, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

3. **Disclosure of Conflict of Interest / Déclaration de conflit d'intérêt**  
None
4. **Minutes of Previous Meetings / Procès-verbal des reunions précédente**

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Anie Toupin-Keft

**250/2019**  
**Council Meeting**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

**251/2019**  
**Special Meeting**

THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

**5. Matters arising from the minutes / Affaires découlant du process-verbal.**

None

**6. Deputation / Délégations**

- Mayor Matt Reimer presented an Award of Recognition on behalf of K.D.C.D.C

**7. Submitted Questions / Questions soumises**

a)

b) Audience Question

- A resident asked why the light inside the Tourist Centre was always on / Council responded that it was for security reason.
- A resident asked why the light outside the arena was still not replaced. / Mayor Reimer answered that Public Works will be changing it in the near future.
- A resident asked why the previous Clerk was not doing the meeting as she was to be on contract for the council meeting / Mayor responded that she had resigned.
- A resident asked if it was only the verbal question period that would be removed. / Council responded that questions regarding the Agenda would be accepted but any other questions would have to be submitted in writing before the meeting.
- A resident asked why the accounts payables were so high / Mayor responded that these are invoices to pay for the month and they have at times been higher.
- A resident asked if there was any other way besides social media to advertise closure of the dump. / Council responded that we will post it at the Post Office in French and English.
- A resident asked why the Solar System representative was not at this meeting as advertised at the last meeting. / The Clerk responded that he will be at the December meeting.
- A resident asked if a sandbox could be put at the Legion, this way they could put sand themselves if the Township has not gotten a chance to get to it / Council agreed.
- A resident asked if a decision had been made concerning the grader / Council responded that is was on tonight's agenda.
- A resident mentioned that this was the last Council meeting that Dorothy Turcott would be attending. He then proceeded to thank her for being a long-time resident and wished her the best of luck.

**8. Correspondence, Information / Correspondance, Information**

Thank you from Rod & Deanna Goulding – Received and filed

Thank you from K L.D.C.S – Received and filed

**9. Council Reports / Rapports du conseil**

**Councillor Wendy K. Weller**

Property Standards

Property Standards now has an Enforcement Officer to help with deliveries of letters for resident not adhering to the By-Law. The appeals committee is next to be formal. Property Standards By-Law will be worked on by Council on the December Council meeting. Property Standards meets here at the

Community Centre at 7pm the third Tuesday of the month. Everyone is welcome to the meetings. If you have a complaint please fill out a form at the municipal office so it can be dealt with. The committee will be posting two open seats on the committees that are now vacant. Thank you

#### Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning Committee meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month here at the Community Centre at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to our meeting. Presently the committee is moving forward on the waterfront second phase of the marina project. The committee will be working with the planner on the Official Plan and the Zoning By-Law, once announced to the public for public meeting. The committee will be posting for a new committee member to fill a vacant seat. Thank you

#### **Councillor Louanne Caza**

##### Recreation

- Line dancing on Monday's
- Walking and exercise to start Monday 1-2pm
- Calendars went out in the water bills.

#### **Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft**

##### Library

- We still don't have a board and moving forward on getting one.

##### Fire-Police

- The McGarry Fire Department is continuing to practice to make sure they are up to part for any call. At this time they are still not at compliment. If you know anyone who is interested or you are interested, applications are available at the Township Office. The Fire Department meetings are every las Sunday of the month. Meetings are not open to the public. The Police Committee didn't have a meeting on October 23, however the ATV-Dirtbike info session offered by the OPP went forward. Even if we have a small turn out great questions were generated. The Police committee is not just for info session, but also for the people of McGarry to ask the OPP questions or report issues. Our next meeting is Nov 14 at 7pm in the meeting room where an info session will be presented by OPP on how to keep your home safe. Meetings are open to the public. Welcome to all.

##### Tourist

- The Tourist Centre is officially closed. Thank you to Mr & Mrs Reimer for opening on weekends. The lighting of the tree is Nov 30 at 7pm. Lightbulbs are available at the Township Office for \$1 each. After the tree lighting everyone is invited to the Legion for hot chocolate and a visit with Santa. On December 1 will be the craft sale from 10am to 3pm. Corrections being made from Newsletter poster. Tables still available at \$10. Please call the Township to reserve your table. Quarter Auction on December 1 starting at 1pm pending permit information. Posters should be out shortly to make it official.

**Councillor Bonita Culhane**

Public Works

- Winter season is well underway. Reminder – Do not park vehicles on roads overnight. Report: Sander will be in operation in the next few days. Garbage truck is being assessed to find the problem – not operating at the present time. Look at Newsletter to find Christmas Holiday schedule.

**Mayor Matt Reimer**

-Attended various meetings

**10. New Business:**

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**252/2019**  
**Property Standards**

THAT the Minutes of the Property Standards meeting held on Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

**253/2019**  
**Recreation**

THAT the Minutes of the Recreation meeting held on Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

**254/2019**  
**Policing**

THAT the Minutes of the Community Policing Committee meeting held on Thursday May 16, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**255/2019**  
**Tourist**

THAT the Minutes of the Tourist Committee meeting held on Wednesday September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**256/2019**  
**Resignation**

THAT Council accept with regret the resignation of Bastiaan Koomans from the Property Standards Committee.

Carried

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**257/2019**  
**Donations**

THAT the Municipal Council hereby approves the donation to the Stan Fowler Christmas Fund in the amount of NIL.

Defeated

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**258/2019**  
**Light Contest**

THAT Council will be holding a Christmas Light Contest. The prizes will be awarded to Virginiatown, North-Virginiatown and Kearns as follows;

1 prize of \$75.00 and 1 prize of \$25.00 for each. The judging will be assigned to a member of Council.

Carried

Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**259/2019**  
**OCWA Report**

THAT Council accepts the Annual Inspection Report for Virginiatown-Kearns Drinking Water System – 2019 from Ontario Clean Water Agency.

Carried

Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**260/2019**  
**Tax Write Offs**

THAT Council approves the write off of the remaining taxes owing for the following accounts: 1016, 3971, 5662, 6256, 12774, 7600, 6230, 7593, 7634, 2577, 2577, 2733 totalling \$49,363.20

Carried

#### **11. Passing of Accounts:**

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**261/19**  
**Passing of Accounts**

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

<u>September</u>	
Payroll	\$28,238.55
General	\$645,110.49

Carried

## **12. Passing of By-Law:**

Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**262/20**  
**2019-36**

THAT a By-Law to hire a By-Law Enforcement Officer be considered read three times and passed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019 and numbered By-Law No. 2019-36.

Carried

## **13. Closed Meeting:**

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**263/2019**  
**Closed**

THAT the Municipal Council hereby moves into Closed Session as per Section 239(b) of the Municipal Act to discuss matters regarding:

- a) Personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees.
- b) Financial matters

Carried

Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**264/2019**  
**Out of Closed**

THAT Council come out of closed meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Carried

## **14. Business arising from the Closed Session**

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

**265/2019**  
**Pump Purchase**

THAT Council direct the Clerk and Public Works Foreman to purchase a new pump for the pumping station in Kearns at a cost of \$47,270.71.

Carried

At this time, the Deputy Clerk, delegated her authority to Peggy Young-Lovelace to act as Clerk for the Closed Session and left the meeting.

Council was given an overview of the analysis of the résumés generated from the first posting of the Clerk-Treasurer position as prepared by E4m. Council was advised of the importance in hiring someone who has significant skill/experience in the municipal sector.

Advice was given regarding selecting candidates to interview and the questions being asked.

Direction was given to E4m to assist by providing questions for the interviews.

**15. Confirmation By-Law / Confirmation des règlements municipaux**

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**266/2019**  
**Confirmation**

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019 and numbered By-Law 2019-37.

Carried

**16. Adjournment:**

Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**241/2019**  
**Adjournment**

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Carried

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**MAYOR**

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**DEPUTY CLERK**