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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Teleconference and in person in the meeting room.

**1. Opening of Meeting and Call to Order:**

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

**2. Roll Call:** Mayor took a roll call:

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Matt Reimer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Louanne Caza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Wendy K. Weller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Bonita Culhane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Clerk Treasurer – Karine Pelletier

Members of the audience present: 8

**3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum:**

Moved by Wendy K. Weller

**113/2022**

Seconded by Louanne Caza

**Adoption of Agenda**

THAT the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of May 10, 2022 be adopted.

Carried

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: None**

**5.**

**6. Minutes of Previous Meetings :**

Moved by Louanne Caza

**114/2022**

Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**Regular Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Regular Council meeting held on April 12, 2022 be adopted.

Carried

7. **Matters arising from the minutes:** None

8. **Deputations / Delegations:** None

9. **Correspondence / Information:**

- a) MPAC – Financial Statement.
- b) Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks – End of Emergency orders.
- c) Ministry of the Solicitor General (Office of the Fire Marshal) – Firefighter Certification – Fire Chief Neil Albright attended the meeting and gave an overview of the new Certification required.
- d) Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry – Decision Notice on Proposed Regulation Changes under the Aggregate Resources Act.
- e) Employment and Social Development Canada (Canada Summer Jobs) – Approval for 10 Summer Students.
- f) Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries – Approval for 3 Summer Students.

10. **Members Update Reports :**

**Councillor Wendy K. Weller :**

**Strategic Planning Committee :**

The last Strategic Planning Committee was held on Tuesday April 26, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Community Centre.

The project Loose Parts Park report for Council was passed through by the committee for tonight's Council meeting.

The signage projects a) highway, b) marina

The design for both signs were looked at and a few minor changes are to be corrected by the designer. The designer is Creative Designs from Kirkland Lake.

The marina sign will be looked at in the closed meeting.

The committee was asked to go and look at all municipal buildings for upgrade on existing signs.

The committee is also making note of all areas along the existing walking trail from Kearns to the lake for possible picnic benches or benches that would assist the residents along their walk.

All of these projects can be found in the Township of McGarry Development Strategy 2018 to 2022.

The committee would like to remind Council this report is up this year and needs to be looked at for the next four years.

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

#### **McGarry Fire Department:**

I attended the fire department meeting on Saturday, April 24, where our volunteers are working at conforming with the new legislation.

It is back yard fire pit season, if you are not familiar with our laws and regulations, please approach our fire department volunteers or go to our Township office for information. Please take fire safety seriously.

There is presently 21 full time members and 7 more are needed to be compliment. If interested an application can be pick-up at your Township office.

#### **Public Works:**

Public Works have been extremely busy getting ready for summer. Water mains and hydrants flushing is almost done. Street sweeping is almost done. Docks will be going in soon. Storage removal from arena pad will be done by Friday and crozier garage roof project is going to start soon. Clean up week is May 24-27. Our Public Works Department is working hard on making sure everything is done for our hopefully wonderful summer.

### **Councillor Louanne Caza**

#### **Tourist Committee**

The Tourist Committee meeting was cancelled last week and has been rescheduled for May 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The Tourist Centre will be open on weekends beginning on May 21. Volunteers will open the centre until the students begin.

### **Councillor Bonita Culhane**

#### **Fire**

Fire Report was given by the Chief to where we might be going.

#### **Recreation**

Easter weekend was a huge success. Fun had by children of all ages. It was very pleasurable to see so many joining into the games. Thank stop all the volunteers who stopped up to help make this event a fun memory.

There will be a meeting on Thursday May 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Centre for the budget for the Recreation Committee.

Point of Note: Provincial Officer Dan Senf sent a memo as to when we would like to start back with Community Policing Committee in late May or early June would be a great time. Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft would like me to contact him for possible dates.

Mayor Reimer

Talk about ATV's abusing Private and Municipal Property. Asked everyone to stay on the roads and the follow the speed limit.

Water source at Bear Lake. This fountain is not under the control of the Municipality. It is under the control of the Department of Highways, and it is their responsibility. Signs have been put up many times that the water is not tested but signs keep being removed and vandalized. This water is not tested, use at your own risk. Take a sample to the Ministry and have it tested.

Informed by the new Manager for Gold Candle is in town and he would like to meet with Council. He will communicate with Council. Currently, he has no information about the development of their project.

**11. New Business :**

- a) Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**115/2022**  
**Communication Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Communication Committee meeting held on November 4, 2022, be adopted.

Carried

- b) Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**116/2022**  
**Tourist Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Tourist Committee meeting held on March 2, 2022 be adopted.

Carried

- c) Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**117/2022**  
**Recreation Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Recreation Committee meeting held on March 9, 2022 be adopted.

Carried

- d) Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**118/2022**  
**Strategic Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on March 22, 2022 be adopted.

Carried

- e) Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**119/2022**  
**Library Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the McGarry Public Library meeting held on March 28, 2022 be adopted.

Carried

- f) Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**120/2022**  
**Accessibility Plan**

THAT Council adopt the 2022 Election Accessibility Plan.

Carried

- g) Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**121/2022**  
**Tax Policy**

THAT Council adopt the 2022 Municipal Property Tax and Collection Policy.

Carried

- h) Moved by Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**122/2022**  
**Loose Parts Park**

THAT Council has read the report from the Strategic Planning Committee and approve the report and approve that the Committee move forward with the Loose Parts Park.

Carried

- i) Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**123/2022**  
**Spring Clean-up**

THAT the week of May 24<sup>th</sup> to May 27<sup>th</sup> be declared as Spring Clean-up Week.

Carried

- j) Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**124/2022**  
**Student Clean up**

THAT Saturday, June 4, 2022 be declared as clean up day for the Students.

Carried

**12. Passing of Accounts:**

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**125/2022  
Accounts**

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

**APRIL 2022**

Payroll: \$ 28,990.32  
General: \$ 137,250.41

Carried

**13. Passing of By-Laws: None**

**14. a) Submitted Questions : None**

**b) Audience Questions:**

- Darlene Truchon – She mentioned that she walks a lot along the old highway and that where the new Hydro poles have been inserted there are now big holes around them. She mentioned that she had safety issues regarding the holes. Council will investigate this and contact Hydro.
- Mary Turner requested that new asphalt be put on the bump (hole) in front of her house, where their pipe goes through. She feels that this has caused a sewer back up on April 13, 2021 and they had to hire a contractor and was told that it was plugged underneath the road. Mayor replied that we will investigate it.
- Merdy Armstrong asked if anything had been done with Municipal Affairs regarding MPAC? He feels the assessment are not assessed properly. It was explained that an owner can challenge the assessment or may contact MPAC directly.
- Merdy Armstrong commented on the Code of Conduct and on tone and expression. He asked who governs the Code of Conduct. It was explained that this is a duty of Head of Council. If someone has a complaint, they may make a complaint with the Integrity Commissioner.
- Darlene Truchon inquired on the Zoning By-Law and inquired if this could be changed? It was explained that Council is working on the Zoning and the Official Plan. A notice of a public meeting will be advertised to allow the public to give their input on the plan before it is finalized.
- Denis Smith inquired on what Council's intention are with the old garbage truck. It was explained that this would be declared surplus and put up for tender soon.

**15. Closed Meeting:**

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Louanne Caza

**126/2022**  
**Closed**

THAT Council goes into closed session at 8:07 p.m. Under the Ontario Municipal Act 239 (2) (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board; (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

Carried

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**127/2022**  
**Out Closed**

THAT Council come out closed session at 9:05 p.m.

Carried

**16. Confirmation By-Law:**

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**128/2022**  
**Confirmation**

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be read three times and passed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May and numbered By-Law 2022-16.

Carried

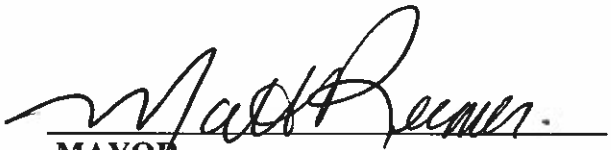
**17. Adjournment:**

Moved by Wendy K. Weller  
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**129/2022**  
**Adjournment**

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Carried

  
MAYOR

  
CLERK-TREASURER