



#5 (a)

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 14th, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in person in the meeting room or by phone.

1. Opening of Meeting and Call to Order:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

2. Roll Call: Mayor took a roll call:

| <u>Attendance:</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| Mayor Stephen McLean | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Councillor Bonita Culhane | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Councillor Francine Plante | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Councillor Jean (John) Truchon | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Councillor Wendy Weller | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Clerk Treasurer – Karine Pelletier

Acting Public Works Superintendent – Mark Brown

Members of the audience present: 19

3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy Weller

45/2023
Adoption of Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 14, 2023, be adopted with addition in New Business Item (K) Country Jamboree.

Carried

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: None

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings :

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy Weller

46/2023
Regular Minutes

THAT the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 10, 2023 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Wendy Weller
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

47/2023
Special Minutes

THAT the minutes for the Special Council Meetings held on January 25, 2023, January 26, 2023, January 30, 2023 and on February 3, 2023 be adopted.

Carried

6. Matters arising from the minutes: Councillor Culhane pointed out that the number of members present on the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 26, 2023 should read 4 members and not 0 members.

7. Deputations / Delegations: None

8. Correspondence / Information:

- a) Ministry of Finance – 2023 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF).
- b) Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) – Concerns about the impact the continued postponement of province-wide property assessment is having on municipal finances.
- c) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Update on initiatives underway at the ministry to help meet government's goal of building new homes.
- d) ADR Chambers – Integrity Commissioner Office Annual Report for Township of McGarry.
- e) Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) – 2022 Municipal Partnerships Report.
- f) XYZ Club – Letter with appointment of new President and Board Members.
- g) Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) – ROMA Conference Update.
- h) Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry – Information for tenants located on Crown land.
- i) Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) – 4th Quarter Update.

9. Members Update Reports :

Members of Council gave a verbal report.

10. New Business :

- a) Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy Weller

48/2023
Policing Minutes

THAT the minutes for the Community Policing Committee meeting held on September 1, 2022 be approved.

Carried

- b) Moved by John Truchon
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

49/2023
Recreation Minutes

THAT the minutes for the Recreation Committee meeting held on October 4, 2022, on November 1, 2022 and on January 3, 2023 be approved.

Carried

- c) Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Francine Plante

50/2023
Tourist Minutes

THAT the minutes for the Tourist Committee meeting held on November 2, 2022 and on January 11, 2023 be approved.

Carried

- d) Moved by John Truchon
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

51/2023
Strategic Minutes

THAT the minutes for the Strategic Committee meeting held on October 25, 2022 be approved.

Carried

- e) Moved by Francine Plante
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

52/2023
Treasurer Report

THAT the 2022 report of the Treasurer prepared under section 284 of the Municipal Act be accepted.

Carried

- f) McGarry Volunteer Firefighters Association - Poker Run Donation - A discussion took place. It was decided that the donation would be the use of the Community Centre free of charge. Councillor Culhane also advised Council that and t-shirts were also donated by the Recreation Committee.
- g) MIS Insurance – A Discussion took place and Council directed the Clerk to fill out the application to get some quotes and bring it back to Council.

- h) Moved by John Truchon
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

53/2023
Mattawa Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry hereby supports the Town of Mattawa Resolution, Motion 22-88, dated October 11, 2022 re: Strong Mayors Building Home Act

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution of support to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal affairs and Housing, the “Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy”. District of Timiskaming MP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities in Ontario.

Carried

- i) Moved by Francine Plante
Seconded by John Truchon

54/2023
CSCTC

THAT Council received the letter from Guy Boileau, Board Chair from the Centre de Sante Communautaire du Temiskaming and support the lack of access to blood work in North end of the district of Timiskaming.

Carried

- j) Moved by Francine Plante
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

55/2023
Library Minutes

THAT the minutes for the McGarry Public Library Board meeting held on October 17, 2022 be approved.

Carried

- h) Moved by Wendy Weller
Seconded by Francine Plante

56/2023
Country Jamboree

THAT Council supports that the Helping Heroes Heal Foundation host the Country Jamboree.

Carried

11. Passing of Accounts:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Francine Plante

57/2023
Accounts

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

JANUARY 2023

Payroll: \$ 34,935.62
General: \$ 274,604.45

Carried

12. Passing of By-Laws:

Moved by Francine Plante
Seconded by John Truchon

58/2023
By-Law 2023-10

THAT a By-Law to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet expenditures be read three times and passed third 14th day of February 2023 and numbered By-Law 2023-10.

Carried

13. a) Submitted Questions : None

b) Audience Questions: A question period was held.

14. Closed Meeting:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Francine Plante

59/2023
Closed

THAT Council goes into closed session at 7:22 p.m. 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 John Truchon
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

60/2023
Out Closed

THAT Council come out closed session at 9:01 p.m.

Carried

15. Confirmation By-Law:

Moved by Francine Plante
Seconded by John Truchon

61/2023
Confirmation By-Law

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be read three times and passed this 14th day of February and numbered By-Law 2023-11.

Carried

16. Adjournment:

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Francine Plante

62/2023
Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Carried


MAYOR


CLERK-TREASURER