

Minutes of a **Regular Meeting** of Council held on Tuesday September 13th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room at the Community Centre, Virginiatown, Ontario.

PRESENT:

Mayor Clermont Lapointe
Councillor Bonita Culhane
Councillor Elaine Fic
Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft
Councillor Wendy K. Weller

ALSO PRESENT:

Acting Clerk-Treasurer Karine Pelletier
Lloyd Crocker – Ross Pope LLP

OTHER:

9 members of audience

1. Call to Order

Mayor Clermont Lapointe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m

2. Additions/Deletions/ Adoption of the Agenda:

Moved by Wendy K. Weller
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

204/2016
Adoption of the Agenda

THAT the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 13th, 2016 be adopted.

Carried

Addition: Item # 12 (a) – Lloyd Crocker from Ross Pope LLP – Audit findings report.

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

205/2016
Adoption of Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on August 18, 2016 be adopted.

Carried

5. Matter arising from the Minutes

None

6. Delegation/Deputation

None

7. Submitted Questions

Matt Reimer asked if the Solar McGarry Inc Audit in New Business #10 (d) would include all information / Mayor Clermont Lapointe answered yes.

8. Correspondence

- a) Ontario Good Roads Association / Read and Filled
- b) Ministry of Energy / Read and Filled
- c) Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change / Read and Filled

9. Council Reports

Mayor Clermont Lapointe:

Gave an update on the Solar Panels. Explained that there was a delay which was caused by the crew unionizing themselves. Things have been resolved and they will be back on site this week to continue the project.

70th Anniversary was a great success and very well attended. Canada Day was also a success; there was over 500 people for each day. Next big event will be in 5 years for the 75th.

We have been approved for a grant of \$1,000,000.00 for water.

Councillor Bonita Culhane:

Welcomed everyone in attendance.

Library: Last library meeting was September 12th, 2016. The library has upgraded their equipment and everything is very user friendly. The Fall Newsletter outlines all the activities for September. The Library Board will be meeting on September 26, 2016 to finish the budget and look into policies. There is a job opening at the library for a CEO.

Property Standards: The meeting for the Property Standards Committee has been changed from September 20th, 2016 to September 28th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The committee has worked very hard in order to get the residents to clean up their property. It's a slow progress, but it's coming along.

Public Works: Summer season is over. Public works had numerous water breaks this summer and they did a wonderful job. They also did an excellent job on the grass cutting around town. Fall clean-up will be announced very soon. Public works will be giving council some training on how to operate the generator.

Family Health Team: There will be a walk-in clinic for emergencies starting September 22, 2016. Monday – Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Dr. Hamilton will be seeing about 8 patients a day. Everybody is welcomed.

Councillor Elaine Fic

Tourist Centre: They have been preparing for the Jamboree for a while and it was a success. There were about 290 people in attendance. There were some repeat and new entertainers. Next Tourist Committee Meeting will be on September 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tourist Centre. The next big event will be the Christmas Craft and Bake Sale on November 26, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Fire Department: There was no Fire Department meeting in July and I was not able to attend the August meeting.

Councillor Wendy K. Weller

Fire Department: They met on August 28th, 2016, there were only 9 members of the Fire Department and one Councillor, and therefore there was no quorum. 13 out of 19 firefighters attended a Hydro Panels Course, explaining what to do when hydro panels are on fire. They have asked for drawings of the panels but have yet to receive anything. Pumper truck testing was done on September 8, 2016. There has been some problem with individuals setting off fireworks at the end of Colville Street. The fire department would like people to let them know when setting off fireworks. Next meeting will be on September 25th, 2016 at 7:00p.m.

Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft

Canada Day along with the 70th Anniversary was a success. It started out with the Parade. We sold out of hot dogs, sold out of beaver tails. Inflatables were a hit. The wine and cheese was a success and the night ended with awesome fireworks. Thanked everyone who worked and also all who participated.

Yard Sale was on September 10th, 2016, there was not a lot of vendors, but always a consistent flow of people.

Halloween Dance will be on October 29th, 2016 and the posters will be coming out shortly.

Next Recreation Meeting will be on October 4th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. – Everyone welcomed.

10. New Business

Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

206/2016
Property Standards

THAT the minutes if the Property Standards Meeting held on July 21, 2016 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Elaine Fic

207/2016
Tax Write-Off

THAT Council approves the write off of taxes on all McGarry Township owned properties and Township Grant Properties #2577 & #2733.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Elaine Fic

208/2016
Noise By-Law

THAT Council accepts the recommendation from the Property Standards Committee to implement a Noise By-Law for the Municipality of the Township of McGarry.

Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

209/2016
Solar Systems

THAT Council receives and accepts the Solaire McGarry Solar Inc. Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statement dated December 31, 2015.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

210/2016
Resignation

THAT Council accept the letter of resignation for the Tourist Committee from Trudy Desjardins.

Carried

11. Passing of Accounts

Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Annie Toupi-Keft

211/2016
Passing of Accounts

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

General:	\$403,764.55
Payroll:	\$63,675.85

Carried

12. Closed Meeting

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Elaine Fic

212/2016
Closed Meeting

THAT Council go into a closed session for discussion of the Draft Audit Report at 7:34 p.m.

Carried

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

213/2016
Out of closed Meeting

THAT Council come out of closed session at 8:15 p.m.

Carried

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

214/2016
Approve Audit

THAT Council approve the statement and Audit Findings Report from Ross Pope LLP.

Carried

13. Confirmation By-Law

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft
Seconded by Elaine Fic

215/2016
By-Law Confirmation

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 13th day of September, 2016 and numbered By-Law 2016-37.

Carried

14. Adjournment

Moved by Elaine Fic
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

216/2016
Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Carried

MAYOR

ACTING CLERK-TREASURER

