

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY DECEMBER 15, 2015
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: Jean Robbins, Shelly Bailey, Lynn Orchard, Parker Brockelbank (absent)

Staff: Lynne Duguay, Donny Cameron, Cindy Findlay, Janice Catling, Brenda Barbarie

1. Call Meeting to Order
#15-409
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we open our Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.”
CD.

2. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
#15-410
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by; Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on December 1, 2015 and Special Minutes of Council held on December 8, 2015 be accepted as presented.”
CD.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations/Public Presentations

7:00 p.m. PUC-Carla Buckner, Dan Tonon
-went over report to owner
-executive summary
-no adverse water samples
-no breakages
-no issues-plant running well

5. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - Bridges
Approximately 95% of deficiencies listed by engineer’s report have been repaired. The rest will be done in winter and spring.
 - Ice Resurfacer
Loner has arrived and is being stored in the municipal garage. Blade from old one has been installed on loaner and it is ready to go.
 - Garage Gate
Has been physically removed once again between 4 p.m. Dec. 2 and 6:00 a.m. Dec. 3. Police were called and it was recorded. Gate and posts were recovered from Rite-Way-Sports property.
 - Landfill
Bulldozer was repaired Dec. 3 by GRTT. Marcel Lefebvre did some welding touchups on Monday Dec. 7.
Ministry of Environment did inspection at landfill on Dec. 3
All recommendations requested were completed Dec. 8 except for picking up of loose windblown grocery bags.
Mayor Watson suggested we get Brenda and Bill to work an extra day on clean up at the landfill. Need to look at some sort of fencing to catch the bags.
Had some flooding on Echo Lake Rd. in the vicinity of Luke Amelotte’s and Dan Hicks properties. Rd. Super suggesting we install a larger driveway culvert at Amelottes to take the extra water that is coming down due to the ditch being diverted. Clerk to contact Chris Gordon (ditch is now on his property) to discuss how this situation can be rectified.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - North Channel Healthy Kids Community
LSC attending a meeting on December 9 in Thessalon.

#15-412

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Mayor & Clerk to sign a Collaborative Agreement for the North Channel Healthy Kids Community.”

CD.

-Echo Bay Hall

Abutments with reflective stickers were placed to block off the basin at the hall. SPS has picked up the LED light and will be changing it as soon as his truck is available.

-North Shore Recreation Committee

Meeting to be scheduled in January

-Summer Students

#15-413

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we apply for the same number of summer students as 2015.”

CD.

-Sylvan Valley Hall

Waiting on Vaughan Construction for a quote on the side stairs and platform in front. APH inspected the kitchen and everything was fine.

-Canteen Tender

#15-414

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we enter into an agreement with Aksel Pollari for the lease of the Sportsplex Canteen for the 2016 season for \$7.00 per week.”

CD.

-Electrical Work

Still trying to contact local electricians.

- Museum

Next meeting January 20 at 10:00 a.m.

-Parade of Lights

Wonderful night. Everything went great and we had a good crowd.

-Sportsplex

#15-415

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we hire Leslie MacLean-Galka as our Part-time Arena Caretaker for the 2016 season.”

CD.

Look at advertising for a second part time arena caretaker.

Dasher Boards and glass were installed on December 9. Roof is being worked on. Kitchen tap was being installed Dec. 9. Still only have access to the storage room.

Discussed security cameras at the Sportsplex. Do we really need them?

More discussion required.

-Algoma Kinniwabi Tourism Book

-Boardwalk & Building Upkeep

-Trillium Report

Received approval on December 1, 2015 that we do qualify to apply for a Trillium grant.

c) Fire Chief

We are at a full compliment. They will be taking Dec. 21 & 28 off for Christmas Break.

#15-416

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we accept the reports from Road super, Leisure Services Coordinator and Fire Chief as presented.”

CD.

d) Treasurer's Report

e) Planning Board

- f) Police Services Board
- g) Algoma District Services Administration Board
- h) Algoma District Municipal Association
- i) Landfill/Recycling
 - request for disposal of Petroleum Impacted Soil-132 Industrial Park #15-411
 - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 - Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 - “RESOLVED that we accept 15 tandem loads of solid non-hazardous soil from 132 Industrial Park Crescent Sault Ste. Marie conditional to entering into an agreement and meeting all requirements.”

CD.

- j) Sewer and Water

6. By-Law

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

- a) Staff Christmas Bonus #15-419
 - Moved by: Jean Robbins
 - Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 - “RESOLVED that we give all full time staff a \$100.00 Christmas Bonus.”

CD.

- b) Staff Wage Increase #15-420
 - Moved by: Lynn Orchard
 - Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 - “RESOLVED that we authorize a wage increase of 3% of the highest wage for all employees for 2016. To be implemented on the first payroll in 2016.”

CD.

- #15-421
 - Moved by: Jean Robbins
 - Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 - “RESOLVED that we authorize a 3% increase for Council for 2016 to begin the first payroll in 2016.”

CD.

- #15-422
 - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 - Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
 - “RESOLVED that we shift the Head Arena Caretaker/Equipment Operators hours to closer reflect his actual duties and amend the wages to reflect this shift.”

CD.

- #15-423
 - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 - Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 - “RESOLVED that we shift the Leisure Services Coordinators wages from 60% Leisure Services and 40% Administration to 70% Leisure Services and 30% Administration.”

CD.

- c) Date for Round Table Meeting in January (suggesting January 26) Wednesday January 6, 2016 7:00 p.m.

- d) Building Permits #15-424
 - Moved by: Lynn Orchard
 - Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 - “RESOLVED that we acknowledge the CBO approved building permits to Mary Ellen Gilles-shingles, Cal Spurway-shingles, Maria Kahtava-shingles, and Echo Bay Elks-replace part of metal roof.”

CD.

9. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Accounts
#15-417
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Jean Robbins
“RESOLVED that we authorize the Treasurer to pay all invoices for the month of November:
Invoices: \$364,779.90
Payroll: \$26,834.57
Total: \$391,614.47
CD.
10. Closed Session
#15-426
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 9:17 p.m. to consider the following subject matter in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 239(2) :
d) **labour relations or employee negotiations;**
e) **litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;**
CD.
Discussed a property dispute with our municipal garage

Had employee discussion.

#15-427
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we come out of Close Session at 9:47 p.m. and continue our Regular Council Meeting.”
CD.

Clerk to look into what training there is available specifically for a CAT grader.

Clerk to set up meeting with all roads employees.
11. Correspondence
a) Algoma Public Health-Public Health Funding
#15-428
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we support the Algoma Public Health in requesting the Ministry of health and Long Term Care to increase investments in public health ensuring Ontarians benefit from a world class public health system within Ontario’s transformed Health system.”
CD.
12. Mayor & Councillors Comments
Councillor Robbins inquired if someone could have the composter at the landfill. We would have to advertise and sell it.
Councillor Robbins brought up Mike Wyatts driveway culvert-road committee to take a look at it.
Angel has been ordered for the cenotaph, coming from Italy.
13. #15-429
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #15-1916 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on December 15, 2015.”
CD.

- 14. Adjournment
 #15-430
 Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 "RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to January 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair."

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2015.

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR