

**REGULAR MINUTES  
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL  
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2015  
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: Jean Robbins, Shelly Bailey, Lynn Orchard, Parker Brockelbank

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

Delegations: Carlo DiCandia-Algoma Insurance

1. Call Meeting to Order

#15-376

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

#15-377

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on November 3, 2015 be accepted as presented.”

CD.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations/Public Presentations

7:00 p.m. Carlo DiCandia-Algoma Insurance

Carlo went over the policy and explained a number of things. There is a 15% increase in the property rate due to the Sportsplex explosion in Feb. We have the new fire rescue truck added to the policy. Volunteer Insurance is the same. Overall there is a \$3,400.00 increase from last year.

#15-378

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we renew our Insurance Policy with JLT through Algoma Insurance from December 1, 2015 to December 1, 2016 in the amount of \$37,938.00 plus tax.”

CD.

5. Staff & Committee Reports

- a) Road Supervisor

-Huron Central Railway Ditching

Has been completed. Culvert was lowered on King Lane 9 inches. Water seems to be flowing well. Clerk was given permission to pay the Huron Central bills that we have been holding.

-valve deficiencies repairs

Deficiencies reported by PUC during their annual valve exercise program were completed Nov. 5. Everything went well and it only took about a half a day. 75% of the repairs were completed previously in house by our own staff.

-Snowmobile Club

Culvert installed on Nov. 4 on Echo Lake Rd. to allow entrance to hwy. tunnel Signage was also moved to accommodate changes.

-Garage Gate

Gate posts were reinstalled along with the gate which is being left open. Clerk to investigate easement and the legalities.

-Winter Sand

Councillor Brockelbank declared a conflict on the following resolution and left the room.

#15-379

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Lynn Orchard

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a sales agreement with Transfield Services (Ontario) inc. for the purchase of winter sand in the amount of \$21.00 per tonne up to 1000 tones and \$26.00 per tonne after 1000 tonnes.”

CD.

Councillor Brockelbank returned to the meeting.

-basketball nets

Clerk to put together a bylaw to deal with all obstructions on municipal roadways.

b) Leisure Services Coordinator

-North Channel Healthy Kids Community-Waiting for more information

-Echo Bay Hall

Motor in the dishwasher was replaced. A senior backed into the drainage hole at the hall during the Seniors Day Out Program on Nov. 4. Looking at putting rebar in the abutments there so they don't move.

-North Shore Recreation Committee

Still waiting to set up a meeting.

-Tower Lake

Nov. 18-20 the Outdoor Ed Program from White Pines will be at Tower Lake.

-New Swings at Milligan Gazebo

Waiting on sand.

-Sylvan Valley Hall

Waiting for Vaughan Construction to give us a quote on the side stairs and platform at the front of hall.

-OFSC Snowmobile Course

Snowmobile Course will be held at the Echo Bay Community Hall on November 21 9-4, \$40.00. the instructor is from Elliot Lake and this is being sponsored by the Echo Bay Snow Falcons.

- Museum

Video's of the Past movie day was held on October 30 Good Turnout.

A display was set up at the Elks for the Remembrance Day activities.

Next meeting scheduled for November 18 at 10:00 a.m.

#15-380

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we accept the minutes from the October 7, 2015 Ekoba Historical Society meeting.”

CD.

-Parade of Lights

A meeting is scheduled for Nov. 17 at 10:30. Only one person showed up but it went well. This year's theme is Red-Green Redneck Christmas.

Crime Stoppers are doing the barriers this year. Santa mailbox is out.

Encroachment Permit has been applied for through MTO.

-Sportsplex

Spoke with Garr from Tulloch and the fans & the platform in the south end need to be secured better.

Arena Caretaker-received 4 applications. Interviews to be set up.

Canteen Tender due Nov. 17.

-Algoma Kinniwabi Tourism Book

-Boardwalk & Building Upkeep

Need to look at how we are going to deal with this in the spring. Need to set up a budget and decide if we are doing this in house or hiring someone to do it. More maintenance than we think.

-Trillium Report

Need to contact them and reapply.

#15-381

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we accept the reports from the Road Super and Leisure Services Coordinator as presented.”

CD.

- c) Fire Chief
  - d) Treasurer's Report
  - e) Planning Board
    - Official Plan Letter
    - Twp. In Laird not interested in a joint official plan. We will send our letter of interest to the Planning Board for a joint official plan and see where it goes.
  - f) Police Services Board
    - Monday November 23
  - g) Algoma District Services Administration Board
  - h) Algoma District Municipal Association
  - i) Landfill/Recycling
    - Cairns Engineering Inc.-request to dispose of contaminated soil #15-383
    - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
    - Seconded by: Jean Robbins
    - “RESOLVED that we accept 10 loads of non hazardous contaminated soil from 89 White Oak Drive conditional to an agreement being entered into. Northern Fencing will be the hauler.”
- CD.
- j) Sewer and Water
    - Valve Repairs-see above

6. By-Law

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

- a) New Movie “The Void”
    - Another movie will be filmed on Pioneer Rd. at the Hoken residence. We do not have a confirmed date yet. There will be fewer vehicles parked on Pioneer Rd. this time and most of the filming will be taking place at night.
  - b) New Dog By-law Discussion –Set Fines Approved-Education Period
  - c) Sportsplex Restoration Project Update-see above
  - d) OCIF-Second Intake-Not Successful
  - e) Photo Monitoring System-Councillor Robbins
    - We will look at budgeting for this next year for sure.
  - f) Central Algoma Agriculture Society-Letter of Support Request #15-384
    - Moved by: Lynn Orchard
    - Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
    - “RESOVLED that we send a support letter to the Bruce Mines Agricultural Society to be attached to their Trillium application for improvements to their infrastructure.”
- CD.

- g) Blind River District Health Centre Meeting-Nov. 24, 2015 6:00 p.m.
  - BRDHC Board Room
  - Mayor Watson will be attending this meeting.

- h) Building Permits #15-385
    - Moved by: Jean Robbins
    - Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
    - “RESOLVED that we acknowledge CBO approved building permits to Dereck Hurley-shingle shed, Thomas & Melodie Telfer-shingles.”
- CD.

- 9. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Accounts  
 #15-382  
 Moved by: Lynn Orchard  
 Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank  
 “RESOLVED that we authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills for the month of October 2015:  
 Invoices: \$290,612.53  
 Payroll: \$25,508.27  
 Total: \$316,120.80

CD.

- 10. Closed Session

- 11. Correspondence
  - a) AMCTO Thank You Letter
  - b) Township of Laird-MNR Letter  
 #15-386  
 Moved by; Shelly Bailey  
 Seconded by: Jean Robbins  
 “RESOLVED that we support the Twp. Of Laird in sending a letter to Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry in regard to the damage that sand hill cranes, wild turkeys and elk do to farmer’s crops.”

CD.

- 12. Mayor & Councillors Comments  
 Councillor Orchard-inquired about our ongoing maintenance program for the rates at the landfill. We have Orkin come in on a monthly basis. Also suggested that there is still a lot of recycling that goes over the bank that could be diverted. Need to look at doing more in regard to recycling in 2016-look at clear bags. Recycle bins in the Village still have a lot of garbage dropped off and it is his understanding a lot of it comes from Garden River. Maybe look at our tipping fees at the landfill. Twp. Laird charges for a lot of stuff. Clerk to get their fee schedule for their landfill.  
 Councillor Robbins-received complaints about vehicles speeding on the landfill road-look at speed limit sign.

Clerk confirmed that the Annual Emergency Management Training for our Community Control Group will be taking place on Wednesday November 25, 2015 at 5:30 at the Echo Bay Community Hall. We will be doing a table top exercise involving a train derailment. Huron Central has been invited to do a presentation of their Emergency Response Plan.

- 13. #15-387  
 Moved by: Parker Brockelbank  
 Seconded by: Lynn Orchard  
 “RESOLVED that we pass By-law #15-1914 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on November 17, 2015.”

CD.

- 14. Adjournment  
 #15-388  
 Moved by: Jean Robbins  
 Seconded by: Shelly Bailey  
 “RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to December 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

**THAT** these minutes be accepted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2015

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MAYOR

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CLERK ADMINISTRATOR