

**REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY OCTOBER 20, 2015
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Mayor: Lynn Watson

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

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

Delegation: Brenda Butler MacTaggart-Principal Echo Bay Central Public School

1. Call Meeting to Order

#15-351

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we open our Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.”

CD.

2. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

#15-352

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on October 6, 2015 be accepted as presented.”

CD.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations/Public Presentations

7:00 p.m. Mrs. Brenda Butler McTaggart-Principal of Echo Bay School

Introductions were completed and Mrs. Butler McTaggart was welcomed. She comes from the Bruce Mines school where she was principal for five years. Confirmed the Echo Bay Community Hall is the shelter in the case of an emergency. She sees how much the community is invested in our school. Looking forward to working together. The school is up to 180 kids this year which qualified for an additional teacher. Cindy can still bring all her pamphlets with information about events and registrations for soccer baseball etc to have them distributed to the kids at the school. School newsletter will be e-mailed to us so we can keep up on the information.

5. Staff & Committee Reports

a) Road Supervisor

-Cottage Rd.

Hi Cal and gravel was put on and some ditching done.

-Lonely Lake Rd.

Hi Cal placed on hills and we used Lairds truck as well to assist us with the hauling.

-Claybar Haul

Began on October 16.

-Boardwalk Comfort Station

Both were closed the week of October 12.

-WSP Canada Inc. Letter

Received an e-mail from WSP Canada Inc. who took over for Genivar requesting our input in regard to the Recommended Plan that was presented at the last Public Information Centre. Clerk to request a meeting. We have not met with them for a number of years and we need to be updated.

#15-356

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we hire Karhi to lower the culvert on King Lane approximately one foot at the cost of \$850.00.”

CD.

b) Leisure Services Coordinator

-Board Walk

Boardwalk is closed as of October 14, 2015. Boards need to be repaired so we have allocated some time to this. Can we do it in house or hire someone? We have boards purchased and are being stored at the garage right now.

-Comfort Station

Washrooms have been closed as of October 14, 2015

-North Shore Recreation Committee

Meeting being scheduled to discuss slo-pitch and soccer programs.

-Tower Lake

Cabin door locks were changed on Friday October 16.

#15-354

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we authorize the White Pines Outdoor Education Program to use the Tower Lake Cabin area on November 18-20, 2015. (cabin not included).”

CD.

-NEORA Conference

Good Conference with lots of good information.

-Playground Repairs

Bill has been completing the repairs as stated on the inspections received from this year.

-Laird Recreation Committee

A letter was sent to the Laird Recreation Committee reflecting the numbers in the summer camps.

-Sylvan Valley Hall

Spoke to Ed Karhi about the distribution box at SV Hall and he stated it is ok. Spoke to Vaughan Construction for a quote on the side stairs and platform in the front.

-Best Start Hub Advisory Committee

Completed a questionnaire to decide the best time and meeting place.

- Museum

Next meeting for the museum is November 18, at 10:00 a.m.

The Bricks & Mortar Initiative by ArtsBuild Ontario was somewhat confusing. Looking to do a seniors movie day, one on railways and the other on lumber.

-Parade of Lights

E-mail was sent declining the Shaw Direct Satellite TV initiative.

Theme this year will be Red-Green Redneck Christmas.

#15-353

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we send a letter to MTO requesting the closing of Hwy 638 on Saturday December 12, 2015 from 6:30-9:00 p.m. for The Parade of Lights.”

CD.

-Sportsplex

Meeting was held with insurance company, engineers, clerk and mayor.

Caretaker

-Milligan Gazebo

Washrooms were closed on Wednesday October 14.

-Algoma Kinniwabi Tourism Book

Look at putting advertisement in book again this year.

-Halloween Party

Saturday October 31 from 1:00-2:30 at the Echo Bay Hall. \$2.00 per child or \$5.00 for a family. Supported by CAPC & Child Care Algoma

-Trillium Report

Need to reapply.

- c) Fire Chief
 - Resignation Letter
 - #15-355
 - Moved by: Parker Brockelbank
 - Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 - “RESOLVED that we accept the Letter of Resignation from Robert Shaughnessy for the Echo Bay Volunteer Fire Department with regret and thank him for his years of service & dedication.”

CD.

- Pumper Tests
- Pumper was tested and passed-primer needs some minor work due to lack of use. Short pipe is leaking and will be repaired.

- Soo College Project
- More information to follow.

#15-357

- Moved by: Jean Robbins
- Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

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

CD.

- d) Treasurer’s Report
 - Budget 2015 Report to Date
 - Treasurer went over the numbers to date for the 2015 budget. Everything is looking good.
- e) Planning Board
- f) Police Services Board
 - Monday November 23
- g) Algoma District Services Administration Board
- h) Algoma District Municipal Association
- i) Landfill/Recycling
 - Bag Tag Delivery Date
- j) Sewer and Water
 - Read Meters Wed. Dec. 2-Deliver Bags Tags at same time in the village
 - Mayor Watson suggested doing the remote repairs for the water meters in house. Clerk to discuss with Road Super.
 - Mayor to ask David Smith if he is interested in the municipal plumber position.

6. By-Law

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

- a) Post Office Holes in Asphalt
 - Repairs were made to holes in asphalt in front of post office due to a couple of elderly people falling.
- b) New Dog By-law Discussion –Set Fines Approved-Education Period
 - Clerk suggested we do an education period with the by-law enforcement officer in regard to the new dog by-law. Do a door to door to check on dog tags and inform people of the new rules starting Jan. 1, 2016.
- c) Sportsplex Restoration Project Update
 - So far everything is on schedule. Coming along good.
- d) Flu Clinic-Wednesday November 18 3:00-8:00 p.m. Echo Bay Community Hall-Algoma Public Health Unit & NP Clinic

e) Nurse Practitioner Clinic Resolution

Resolution #15-359

Date: October 20, 2015

Moved By: Jean Robbins

Seconded By: Lynn Orchard

WHEREAS in Ontario, 25 Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinics (NPLCs) provide primary health care facilities that offer comprehensive, accessible, patient centered services that focus on disease prevention, health promotion and chronic disease management.

WHEREAS Statistics Canada, Health Profile, December 2013, indicates that the District of Algoma Health Unit clearly illustrates a higher incidence of obesity, arthritis, asthma, high blood pressure, mood disorders, low birth weights, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, hospitalized stroke rate, hospitalized acute myocardial infarction, injury requiring hospitalization, cancer, smoking, influenza, caesarean sections, ambulatory care sensitive conditions, hip fracture event rates, etc., in comparison to other parts of Ontario. (see: <http://www12.statcan.gc.ca>)

WHEREAS in Ontario, health care consumes a large portion of the tax dollars and will require a restructuring of resources to accommodate the rapidly aging population. NPLCs are a cost effective way of delivering primary health care.

WHEREAS the North Channel Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic became operational in Thessalon, Ontario on January 29, 2014 and subsequently opened a satellite location in Echo Bay, Ontario in the fall of 2014, in a collaborative agreement with The Municipal Corporation of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional.

WHEREAS the enrollment has been very positive with 594 rural patients (374 patients in Thessalon and 220 in Echo Bay). In the last several months, the roster has increased from 20-45 patients per month indicating rapid growth. The clinic accommodates approximately 75 patients per week, including Nurse Practitioner and Social Worker visits plus onsite venipuncture. This does not take into account the new Chronic Disease Self-Management courses, that is offered in both locations, and which are accessible community wide.

AND WHEREAS the North Channel Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic remains a viable and recognizable entity with permanently employed health care providers, appropriate funds to sustain locations equipped with amenities associated with the clinic operations, when the Ministry considers various models of health reform.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional respectfully requests that the Honourable Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC) ensures that provisions are made to sustain the existence of this successful, cost effective and rapidly growing NPLC in both Thessalon and Echo Bay, Ontario.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to:

With copies to:

Brenda Paat, President of the Board of Directors, North Channel Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic

Danielle Belanger-Corbin, Chair of the Board of Directors, North East Local Health Integration Network (NELHIN)

Adriana Tetley, CEO, Association of Ontario Health Centres (AOHC)

Honourable David Oraziotti, Minister of Government and Consumer Services

Michael Mantha MPP, Algoma Manitoulin

Algoma District Municipal Association (ADMA)

Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)

Mayor James Orlando, Town of Thessalon

Mayor Gil Reeves, Municipality of Huron Shores

Mayor Lory Patteri, Township of Bruce Mines

Mayor Beth West, Township of Plummer Additional
Mayor Ted Hicks, Township of Johnson
Mayor Chris Burton, Township of Tarbutt
Mayor Dick Beitz, Township of Laird
Mayor Lynn Watson, Township of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional
Mayor Mark Henderson, Township of Jocelyn
Mayor Jody Wildman, Township of St. Joseph
Mayor Robert Hope, Village of Hilton Beach
Reeve Rodney Wood, Township of Hilton

f) Building Permits

#15-360

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we acknowledge CBO authorized building permits to: Ian Kokkonen-deck, Mike Figures-storage garage, Claude Dussault-shingles, Rod McLeod-Semi, Lee Mason-shingles, Duncan McKenzie-shingles, Maria Kahtava-shingles, Sarah Larue-shingles, Rob Moore-shingles, Rob Askew-steel roof, Gord Evoy-shingles, Don Dufor-shingles, Shelly Evoy-shingles, Doug Fecteau-garage, Ken Findlay-siding, Lucas Zelonko-garage, Twp Macdonald-Sportsplex Restoration.”

CD.

9. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Accounts

#15-358

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Treasurer to pay the following invoices and payroll for Sept. 2015

Invoices: \$325,129.38

Payroll: \$40,176.63

Total: \$365,306.01

CD.

10. Closed Session

11. Correspondence

a) Ministry of Government Services and Consumer Services

12. Mayor & Councillors Comments

Councillor Robbins-movie filmed on Pioneer Road we had a lot of complaints from property owners in regard to the parking of the vehicles, vans, large trucks etc-next time we will have to be more restrictive in regard to where and how they can park.

Mayor Watson-dump road was graded and is in good shape right now-need to make sure all pot holes are repaired before winter comes-cement blocks at landfill need to be moved back because the bank is cracking with the weight.

13. #15-361

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #15-1912 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on October 6, 2015.”

CD.

14. Adjournment
#15-362
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to November 3, 2015 at
7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ of _____ 2015

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR