

REGULAR MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY APRIL 4, 2017
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: Jean Robbins, Shelly Bailey, Lynn Orchard (left meeting at 9:20 p.m.),
Parker Brockelbank (arrived 7:15 p.m.)

Staff: Lynne Duguay

Delegations: Antoinette Blunt-Ironside Consulting

1. Call Meeting to Order
#17-93
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
#17-94
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on March 21, 2017 and
Special Minutes of Council held on March 29, 2017 be accepted as
presented.”
CD.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations/Public Presentations

7:00 p.m. Antoinette Blunt-Ironside Consulting

5. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - Frozen Culverts
Only had one so far-MTO entrance-not expecting anymore. Ditches
flowing well.
 - Gravel Roads
All gravel roads have been graded at least once, some twice.
 - Backhoe Quotes
Received one-look at during budget meeting.
 - Birch St. Sewer
Rd. Super got the camera again and the repair that we did is fine. Pipes
were all good on municipal property.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - North Channel Healthy Kids Community Challenge
Next meeting will be second Wed.-April 12 at 9:45 a.m. in Little Rapids.
There was extra money from Theme II with \$1,818.00 for each partner.
We ordered a greenhouse, shelves and anchoring kit. It will be installed at
the Echo Bay School where our Community Garden is located.
The water fountain was delivered March 28 and being stored at the rink.
Theme 3 starts in April and is “Choose to Boost Veggies and Fruit.”
 - Echo Bay Sportsplex
March 24 was our last skate. We averaged 22 people at our open skates
this year.
 - Algoma University-Cultural Exchange Day-Darren Vaughan
About 20 students from Japan had a great time at the Sportsplex on
Monday March 20.
 - Welcome to Kindergarten
The school has scheduled their Welcome to Kindergarten on May 17th at
6:00 p.m.
 - Hockey Program
Last day was on March 19. We had 14 children participate in this
program. We had 9 women participate in the Women’s Learn to Play
Hockey Program.

- Museum

Next meeting in Thursday April 26 at 10:00 a.m.

#17-95

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we accept the Minutes of the January 19, 2017 Ekoba Museum Meeting as presented.”

CD.

-NEORA Teleconference Meeting

The next meeting on Wed. April 19 by teleconference.

-Canada 150-Loon Dollar Festival

Working on booking the refurbishing of the monument.

Fence boards are being painted so that they will be ready to be put up.

-Easter Craft Night

On April 3 from 3:30-6:00 we had the Easter Craft Night. We partnered with Child Care Algoma once again. Volunteers always welcome.

-Slo Pitch & Soccer-North Shore Recreation Committee

The forms have been distributed through the Echo Bay School on March 22 and are due on April 7, 2017.

-2017 Summer Student's

Still waiting to hear from the grants. Have not had any luck with the \$2.00 an hour grant for the Horticulture/Parks/Recreation Position.

-Decorative Sign

Waiting to hear.

-Fire Arm Safety & Hunter Education Course

Brian Ardiel from Wharncliffe will be our new instructor for the FAS & HED. Frank and Jeff have retired from teaching. It will be held on June 2, 3 & 4 and it will be \$220.00 for the full course.

-Promoting Central Algoma Together Placemats

In the process of sending our new dates and information to them.

-Funders Forum-hosted by Sault Ste. Marie & Volunteer Resource Group LSC will be attending this forum.

-Boardwalk

Clerk will need to contact another contractor to see if they can do the repairs due to the passing of Jim Vaughan who was going to do them.

Mayor Watson to contact Rod McLeod

c) Fire Chief

-Info on Truck

Will discuss further at next meeting

Clerk made Council aware that Fire Chiefs 25th Anniversary of being on the Fire Department is on May 5. We are planning a BBQ at the fire hall for Monday May 1. Clerk to take care of all the arrangements.

#17-100

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

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

CD.

d) Treasurer's Report

e) Planning Board

f) Police Services Board

-Next meeting. March 27 – Report

Passed the budget.

g) Algoma District Services Administration Board

h) Algoma District Municipal Association

-Who is attending the ADMA Meeting on April 22 in St. Joseph Twp.

#17-101

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize Mayor Watson and Councillor Robbins to attend the ADMA meeting on April 22, 2017 in St. Joseph Twp.”

CD.

- i) Landfill/Recycling
 - Summer Hours began Saturday April 1
 - Landfill Caretaker will be working Tuesdays 8-4 rather than having two caretakers on Tuesdays from 4-8.
 - Letter of Extension for Ministry of Environment & Climate Change #17-182
 - Moved by: Jean Robbins
 - Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 - “RESOLVED that we send a letter to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change requesting an extension to Sept. 30, 2017 to deal with the outstanding issues at our landfill as identified in our inspection report.”CD.
 - j) Sewer and Water
 - OCWA 1/4ly meeting Thursday April 6 at 3:30 p.m.
 - Birch St. Sewer
 - Put a camera down and everything was fine from the municipal end.
6. By-Law
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business
- a) Treasurer’s Forum-October 19 &20, 2017
 - #17-103
 - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 - Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 - “RESOVLED that we authorize the Treasurer to attend the Treasurer’s forum on October 19 & 20, 2017 in Sudbury. No Registration Fee.”CD.
 - b) NOHFC Intern Application
 - Will be in the April 5 edition of the Sentinel. Has been posted on the Job Bank and at Employment Solutions. Will be posted at Sault College and Algoma University. Also posted around Echo Bay.
 - c) Loon Dollar Monument Refurbishing
 - Clerk to set up a meeting to meet on site with Superior 7 Signs to confirm when the Loonie will be removed and when it will be back. It needs to be back and installed by end of May.
 - d) AMCTO-Information Management, Access and Privacy in Ontario Municipalities
 - #17-104
 - Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 - Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
 - “RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to attend the AMCTO Workshop “Information Management, Access and Privacy in Ontario Municipalities” on Thursday April 20, 2017 in Sault Ste. Marie. Registration fee \$305.00 + taxes.”CD.
 - e) Northeastern Ontario Planning Authorities Technical Workshop-Sept. 12 & 13, 2017
 - #17-105
 - Moved by: Jean Robbins
 - Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 - “RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to attend the Northeastern Ontario Planning Authorities Technical Workshop on September 12 & 13, 2017 in Sudbury.CD.
 - f) Budget Meeting Monday April 24, 7:00 p.m.
 - Just a reminder.

9. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Accounts

10. Closed Session

#17-96

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 7:15 p.m. to consider the following subject matter in accordance with the Municipal Act Section 239(2) :

- b) **personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;**

CD.

Discussed an incident from January 24, 2017.

#17-98

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we come out of Closed Session at 9:15 p.m. and continue out Regular Council Meeting.”

CD.

#17-99

Moved by: Lynn Orchard

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to update the Human Resources Policy and schedule training sessions for staff.”

CD.

Councillor Orchard left the meeting at 9:30 p.m. (he had eye surgery and came for the Closed Session part of the meeting)

11. Correspondence

- a) Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands-Ontario Hydro

#17-106

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we support the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands in their request that the Province of Ontario treat all of Ontario Hydro’s customers equally and eliminate the delivery fees for residents.”

CD.

- b) Carol Hughes, MP-Canada 150 funding

Received two letters that MP Carol Hughes sent to the Minister in regard to Canada 150 funding and her support for our project at the Sportsplex. Hopefully it helps and we receive some good news soon.

12. Mayor & Councillors Comments

#17-107

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we close the office & roads at 3:00 p.m. on Friday April 7 in order for all staff to attend funerals.” (Jim Vaughan & Larry Ford)

13. Confirming By-law

#17-108

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #17-1961 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on April 4, 2017.”

CD.

14. Adjournment
#17-109
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2017

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR