

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

Mayor: Lynn Watson

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

Staff: Lynne Duguay

1. Call Meeting to Order
#17-59
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
#17-60
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on February 21 and Special Minutes of Council held on February 27, 2017 be accepted as presented.”
CD.
3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
4. Delegations/Public Presentations
5. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
 - New Pick up
Was picked up on Feb. 24 and put into service on Feb. 28
 - Birch St. Sewer Repair
Repair went really well but discovered rises and falls in main line. Line was inspected with camera and pipe is intact with no breaks. Going to have this line flushed.
Line was flushed today and got rid of a lot of grease and other stuff. Did receive complaints from the two property owners who’s laterals run into this section of sewer pipe. No notice was given that this was happening and they had a lot of sewer smell in their houses and water came up out of the toilet from the pressure. Next time we will make sure we give proper notice.
 - Watson Rd. Pioneer Rd. Sign
Repaired and is pointing in proper direction.
 - Load Reduction
Will follow suit with MTO. Went on Monday March 6.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
 - North Channel Healthy Kids Community
Next meeting March 8. Need to order water fountain before March 15.
Looking at a scavenger hunt to launch Theme 3 which starts in April and is “Choose to boost veggies and fruit”. The Physical Literacy workshop on Feb. 25 was very good. Received a bag of goodies that will be used during the summer programs.
 - Echo Bay Sportsplex
Ice Resurfacer quit again when put in reverse. Dave from Resurface Inc. came on Feb. 21 to repair, same problem as last time except he brought the proper tool to fix it this time. Skating is takin place but rentals are slow. Numbers have been consistent at the open skates and shinny’s.
 - Algoma University-Cultural Exchange Day-Darren Vaughan
Students from Japan attended the Sportsplex on Monday Feb. 27 and enjoyed skating.
 - Skate Program
There are five children in advanced edges and three in the canskate group.
 - Hockey Program
There are 13 participants so far from 3-13 years old.
 - Museum
Next meeting Thursday March 23 at 10:00 a.m.

-NEORA Teleconference Meeting

Meeting will be on Wed. March 15 at 1:30 by teleconference.

-Canada 150-Loon Dollar Festival

Meeting was held on March 23 and went well. Set a budget of \$5,500.00 for the Loon Dollar Festival/Canada 150 Celebration. Booking Science North Exhibit for Friday June 30. Mayor suggested contacting the mint for a donation for the Loon Dollar Festival.

-Slo Pitch & Soccer-North Shore Recreation Committee

The registration forms will go out on March 21 and be due on April 7. Waiting for approval from Algoma District School Board.

-2017 Summer Student's

Summer Experience Grant was submitted on Feb. 24. Spoke to Carol Hughes MP to see if there are any other grants available for the Parks & Horticulture Student. Still looking.

-Decorative Sign

Feb. 21 meeting went well. Tim Harris provided a template to be forwarded for quotes.

-Winter Play Day

Scheduled for Saturday March 4 from 1-4. Will do some curling, skating, nail pounding, sliding, and hockey shoot. Also re-grand opening of the Sportsplex since the explosion.

-Exercise Equipment from Bruce Mines Arena

Clerk to contact Plummer Twp. to request information on a price they are looking for.

c) Fire Chief

-Info on Truck-deferred

-New Firefighter-deferred

-Tour of Fire Hall-Feb. 27-Report

Students from Japan had a tour of the Fire Hall on Monday Feb. 27. Very much enjoyed it and then went to Sportsplex for lunch and a skate.

#17-61

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“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

Councillor Lynn Orchard declared a conflict and left the room at 7:35 p.m.

-E2017-02 Applicant-Sarah Orchard

#17-62

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to complete the Consent Questionnaire for #2017-02 Applicant Sarah Orchard and recommend that consent be given.”

CD.

Councillor Orchard returned to the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

-GIS Mapping

#17-63

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we accept the recommendation from the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board to enter into an agreement with Northern Information Technology & Geomatics Cooperative (NITGC)/Municipality of Wawa for GIS services.”

CD.

f) Police Services Board

-Next meeting. March 27 7:00 p.m.

g) Algoma District Services Administration Board

h) Algoma District Municipal Association

10. Closed Session
#17-68
Moved by: Parker Brockelbank
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
RESOLVED that this Council proceed into Closed Session at 8:00 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 that occurred on January 24, 2017.
#17-69
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we come out of Closed Session at 8:50 p.m. and continue our Regular Council Meeting.”
- CD.
- #17-70
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
“RESOLVED that we hire Ironside Consulting Services Inc. to conduct an investigation in regard to an incident that occurred on January 24, 2017 and report back to Council with a recommendation.”
- CD.
- #17-71
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Jean Robbins
“RESOLVED that we call a Special Council Meeting to be held on Thursday March 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in order to receive the recommendation from Ironside Consulting Services Inc. in regard to a January 24, 2017 Incident.”
- CD.
11. Correspondence
- a) Townships of Head, Clara & Maria-Building Code Changes
#17-66
Moved by: Parker Brockelbank
Seconded by: Lynn Orchard
“RESOLVED that we support the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria & Tay Valley Township in requesting the Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs to rescind proposed Building Code Change B-08-09-03 in regard to mandatory 5 year septic tank pump outs.”
- CD.
- b) Municipality of Thames Centre-Automated External Defibrillators
#17-67
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we support the Municipality of Thames Centre in requesting the Premier and Minister of Education develop a policy that enables all schools and school boards in Ontario that allows individual elementary and secondary schools to have an AED installed in their schools.”
- CD.
12. Mayor & Councillors Comments
Councillor Robbins suggested for our next public meeting we have a presentation on Project Lifesaver International. There are bracelets that can be purchased for seniors as a lifesaving option.
- Mayor Watson stated the meeting that took place at the Sportsplex on March 4 with Andrea Horwath, Michael Mantha and area Mayors in regard to hydro rates was well attended and there was lots of media there.
- Mayor Watson would like to meet with Bruce Strapp from SSM to discuss an possible funding for improvements at our Sportsplex-three phase power, cement floor, condenser etc.

13. Confirming By-law
#17-72
Moved by: Lynn Orchard
Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
“RESOLVED that we pass By-law #17-1957 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on March 7, 2017.”
CD.

14. Adjournment
#17-73
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Jean Robbins
“RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to March 7, 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