

**REGULAR AGENDA
TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL
TUESDAY JANUARY 23, 2018
7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Mayor: Lynn Watson

Council: Shelly Bailey, Parker Brockelbank, Jean Robbins, Lynn Orchard (8:30 p.m. Planning Board Meeting)

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

Delegation: Fire Dept.-Brand Henshaw, Matt Jarrell, Jason Willet, Cody Jarrell, Kevin Maloney

1. Call Meeting to Order
#18-15
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
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
#18-16
Moved by: Parker Brockelbank
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that the Minutes of Council held on January 9, 2018 and Minutes of Special Meeting held on January 16, 2018 be accepted as presented.”
CD.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Delegations/Public Presentation

8:00 p.m. Echo Bay Volunteer Fire Dept. –Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Captains
Requested input from the Chief and Captains in regard to the recruitment of a new Volunteer Fire Chief. Fire Chief Catling retires on March 31, 2018 and we need to get someone in place prior to this so some training can take place. Kevin Maloney suggested rather than appointing a Fire Chief right away maybe we could look at an Acting Position for a six month period to see if anyone internal is interested. (this would be like a secondment type position). Council would prefer to just appointment a Fire Chief and if anyone is interested internally they can apply. (see resolution below). They would like to have some say in the final decision.

5. Staff & Committee Reports
 - a) Road Supervisor
-Winter Operations
Everything is going as expected with minor repairs to the sanding unit.
-2018 Spring Amalgamated Tender
Needs to be approved for tender by the first Council meeting in Feb.
-Rental of Steamer to Twp. of Plummer
We will not be renting our steamer to Plummer Twp. when they need it will be when we need it.
-Hwy 17 B Rehabilitation AECOM Letter
Catch basin at the intersection of Hwy 17B and Church St. West-storm sewers at this intersection will be removed and replaced as part of the construction contract in order to improve the drainage characteristics at this location.
-Lake St. Catch Basin-MTO Response Letter
John Cameron from MTO stated in his letter that the ownership of Lake St. was transferred to the Town of Echo Bay in 1946 so we are responsible for the repair and maintenance of this catch basin. Clerk to send a letter requesting the documentation showing this transfer.
 - b) Leisure Services Coordinator
-North Channel Healthy Kids Community Challenge
Next meeting on January 17, 9:45 a.m. in Little Rapids.

The Good Food Box handled by Child Care Algoma through the Soup Kitchen order is due Feb. 16 and will be delivered Feb. 23.
We have \$4,000.00 to submit by Feb. 6 left over from Phase 3. Thinking of skate program for school children, gardening stuff, family wellness night and another cooking class.
Physical Literacy training will be held in Thessalon on Mar. 6 at 6:00 p.m.
Looking at doing a community clean up week-are we on board?
Promoting a book & calendar to document the power down incentive.
Yoga mats will be delivered to the school for their use during physical activity.
Looking at doing a train the trainer regarding personal fitness for our area so that we are not struck having to continually pay extra for people to come in from other areas.
-Ontario Trillium Foundations Workshop
The OTF workshop held on January 9 was very good. The next capital submission will be on August 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.
-Family Day
We have some bookings already-what do we want to schedule for skating. 12-2 and 6-8 for Family Skates.
-Winter Fun Day
Feb. 17 has been scheduled but we can look at a different day if Council wants-March3?. Looking for ideas what we want to do this year.
-Hockey Program
Youth and women's hockey program started on January 21. We have 24 women signed up. That is the most we can go with.
-Summer Student Grants
Canada summer jobs is due on Feb. 2, 2018. We will apply for the same amount of summer students for 2018.
-Sportsplex
Former students will be working the canteen.
#18-17
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank
"RESOLVED that we move forward with the replacement of the lights in the arena area of the Sportsplex."

CD.

In the process of getting staff trained on the skate sharpener.
Meeting has been set up with the Mayor, Clerk and Sportsplex staff to discuss how everything is going at the Sportsplex with the new equipment, schedules, rentals etc.
Trying to get the score clock up and running.
Rental advertisements are in the North Channel Current and Sentinel.
We are going with Saturdays, all day Monday and weekdays until 4:00 for non-prime time hours \$75.00 per hour.
Thermostat had to be changed for the eco ice system due to condensation in the conduit.
-Tower Lake Cabin
Boy Scouts will be having their Deep freeze on January 19-21 and a Family Fund Day on Feb. 10 from 10-2
-Computer Courses
#18-18
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
"RESOLVED that we offer a Basic Computing Course through Thessalon Continuing Education on Feb. 12, 15, 20, 22, 26 and March 6 from 10-noon at the municipal office. Registration is free."

CD.

-Skate Program
We are running our program and Brittany Kirby is our instructor. We have Advanced Edges, Lean to Figure Skate, Advanced Can Skate and Can Skate participating so far.
Discussed Birthday parties booking ice and the need for an additional room for cake and presents. We will rent one of the change rooms for \$25.00

-Echo Bay Home & School Meeting

Looking for when they want to book ice time for the school for skating. Dance Instructor coming to do dance lessons. Looking to purchase funnel ball. Have a bench that needs to be installed. Yoga instructor for their Health and Wellness focus. Spirit Squad will be hosting a snow shoeing day after school. Next meeting Feb. 13 at 6:00 p.m.

-North Shore Recreation Committee

Meeting held on Jan. 15 in St Joseph Twp. discussed soccer and slo pitch season coming up and discussed some of the rules. Registration to go out March 19 and returned April 6.

-NeORA

Teleconference held on January 17 but was unable to participate.

-Sylvan Valley Retro Ride

Taking place on Feb. 24 at the Sylvan Valley hall.

c) Fire Chief

-Volunteer Fire Chief Recruitment

#18-21

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to advertise for the recruitment of a Volunteer Fire Chief to be posted until February 16, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.”

CD.

-Public Education Officer-Establishing By-law

By-law needs to be updated to have a Public Education Officer added to the structure of the Fire Department.

#18-22

Moved by: Parker Brockelbank

Seconded by: Jean Robbins

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

CD.

d) Treasurer’s Report

e) Planning Board

f) Police Services Board

-January 29, 2018 next meeting

g) Algoma District Services Administration Board

They are moving forward with finalizing the second phase of Hurley Haven. A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday with Tulloch to finalize drawings and get ready for the tender process.

h) Algoma District Municipal Association

i) Landfill/Recycling

j) Sewer and Water

6. By-Law

#17-1986

Municipal Capitals Facility By-law

#18-1990

Interim Tax By-law

#18-23

Moved by: Jean Robbins

Seconded by: Shelly Bailey

“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to draft By-law #18-1990 being a by-law to levy certain interim rates taxes and charges for the year 2018.”

CD.

#18-24

Moved by: Shelly Bailey

Seconded by: Parker Brockelbank

“RESOLVED that we give By-law #18-1990 its first and second reading.”

Cd.

7. Unfinished Business

a) Request from Xplornet Communications Inc.

Information was sent to Algoma Power for input.

8. New Business

- a) Administrative Assistant Position – Finalize
#18-25
Moved by: Jean Robbins
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we hire Lacey Kastikainen as our Administrative Assistant to begin Monday February 5, 2018 on a six month probation conditional to all requirements being met.”
CD.
- b) FONOM Conference-May 9-11, 2017-Parry Sound-Who Is Going?
- c) AMCTO Spring Zone-April 18-20-Subury
#18-27
Moved by: Shelly Bailey
Seconded by: Jean Robbins
“RESOLVED that we authorize the Clerk to attend the AMCTO Spring Zone on April 18-20, 2018 in Sudbury. Registration fee \$95.00.”
CD.
- d) Date for Budget Meetings
Wednesday Feb. 28, Monday March 19 and Wednesday April 25.
- e) United Way-Income Tax Preparation for Low Income Earners
Saturday March 24, 2018 10:00-2:00 a.m. Echo Bay Hall
#18-26
Moved by; Parker Brockelbank
Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
“RESOLVED that we authorize the use of the Echo Bay Community Hall on Saturday March 24, 2018 for a United Way sponsored Income Tax Preparation for Low Income Earners from 10-2:00. No charge.”
CD.
- f) Cannabis Tax Revenues
Mayor Watson shared information from FONOM in regard to tax revenue sharing for the sales of cannabis beginning July 1 this year. The government has not figured out a formula yet on how they will disperse that revenue from the sale of legalized cannabis.
- g) Community Transportation Grant-Municipal Stream
Resolution # 18-28

Moved By: Shelly Bailey
Seconded By: Jean Robbins

WHEREAS results of the Community Rural Health Hub outreach meetings have identified transportation services to medical appointments/services as one of the common needs along the North Shore;

AND WHEREAS the North Channel Poverty Network has also identified transportation services and the need to improve mobility options for all our communities especially those who experience transportation barriers including older adults, people with disabilities, youth and persons living on low income;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation has released a new round of funding for community transportation initiatives to fund the development of intercommunity bus services to link communities and address local transportation needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional approves the submission of a joint application with neighboring municipalities through the Community Transportation Grant Program and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign all pertinent documents in support of the lead Municipality’s joint application.

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h) Building Permits

- 9. Presenting, Referring or Passing of Accounts
 #18-19
 Moved by; Shelly Bailey
 Seconded by: parker Brockelbank
 “RESOLVED that we authorize the Treasurer to pay invoices for December 2017:
 Payroll: \$68,036.03
 Invoices: \$567,740.67
 Total: \$635,776.70

CD.

Councillor Brockelbank declared a conflict and left the room.

- #18-20
 Moved by: Jean Robbins
 Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 “RESOLVED that we pay Heritage Home Hardware Building Centre \$553.03.”

CD.

- 10. Closed Session

- 11. Correspondence

- a) Township of Muskoka-Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act (Bill 148)
 #18-29
 Moved by: Jean Robbins
 Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 “RESOLVED that we support the Township of Muskoka Lakes and the Township of Montague in their request to the government for exemptions to Bill 148 Employment Standards Act.”

CD.

- b) Town of Amherstburg-Proposed Changes to the Cannabis Act (Bill C-45)
- c) Town of Lakeshore-Infrastructure Funding

- 12. Mayor & Councillors Comments
 Mayor Watson brought in an article from the Sault Star in regard to the Conflict of Interest Act and an information session that was held. Good reading.

- 13. Confirming By-law
 #18-30
 Moved by: Parker Brockelbank
 Seconded by: Shelly Bailey
 “RESOLVED that we pass By-law #18-1991 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on January 23, 2018.”

CD.

- 14. Adjournment
 #18-31
 Moved by: Shelly Bailey
 Seconded by: Jean Robbins
 “RESOLVED that this Council shall now adjourn to February 6, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. or until the call of the chair.”

CD.

THAT these minutes be accepted this _____ day of _____ 2018

MAYOR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR