

TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, February 25, 2019

Call to Order, Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof; Deputy Mayor McLaren with respect to Minor Variance Application due to his business.

Council present: Mayor Lynda Carleton, Deputy Mayor Ron McLaren, Councillors Blair Flowers, Bart Wood and Neil Scarlett. Staff present: Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul.

Guest observing: Cindy Ord.

33-19 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 4-19; to constitute and appoint a Committee of Adjustment. CARRIED

PUBLIC MEETING

Minor Variance Application 5-192 – 01/19

The purpose of the application is to permit the construction of a new detached private garage. The proposed garage includes a storage loft and the proposed height is 6.2 m (20.3 ft). The maximum height for an accessory building is 5.5 m. The applicant is seeking a variance of 0.7 m (2.3 ft). Notice was given Feb 14, 2019. An oral inquiry was received on Feb 19, 2019 and answered. The 4 tests were considered. Decision: Approved. Reasons for Decision: Is in keeping with the intent of the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law, is considered minor, and is in keeping with the development of the lot.

BUSINESS

1. Adoption of Feb 11, 2019 minutes, Resolution

34-19 Flowers, McLaren

THAT we adopt Feb 11, 2019 minutes. CARRIED

Councillor Wood provided an update on the ELCA Blue Green Algae Public Information Session indicating Committee is checking for available dates with Arena and it will likely be held in Jun.

2. Annual By-Laws; interest, penalty, Interim taxes, Resolution

35-19 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 1-19; for interest to be added to Tax Arrears. CARRIED

36-19 McLaren, Wood

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 2-19; a Penalty Charge for non payment of Current Taxes. CARRIED

37-19 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 3-19; Interim tax levy. CARRIED

3. 2019 Spring Newsletter, Resolution

38-19 McLaren, Flowers

THAT we approve 2019 Spring Newsletter. CARRIED

Mayor Carleton provided an update on Canada Day Fireworks indicated organizer will remain for this year. Councillor Scarlett inquired if we should assist in finding a replacement for next year.

It was noted that vehicles parked on roadways impeding snow removal continue to be a problem for the Road Dept, we've had a Snowplow and the Grader stuck as a result, with repairs being required to the Grader. By-Law Enforcement has been busy issuing warnings, towing may be the next action.

4. E Parry Sound Regional Science & Technology Fair invitation to support this year's fair

Approved \$200.

5. Almaguin Adult Learning first Impact Report & requesting support

Approved \$200.

6. South River Machar Agricultural Society update on plans for the upcoming 2019 Fall Fair

Fair dates will be Sep 6 and 7, 2019. Decision made to keep the ice surface uncovered again this year. Upstairs of the Arena will be used for Hall Class Exhibits. The last couple of years, the Society has brought in entertainment that is appropriate for the younger children (31' Obstacle Course, Crayon Combo Bouncer). This year, the Society will be adding a focus for the older children as well (Jousting and Sumo Suits). The cost of the entertainment is \$2,147 and the Rental company will be arranging the staffing. The Society is looking at offering the entertainment at no charge to the attendees and are looking to the community for donations in order to make this a reality. A special fair book is being put together and the Society is discussing the possibility of holding a large community garage sale at the Arena, hopefully on the first Sat in Jun and using the both the Arena floor and upstairs in order to allow large items to be sold. Discussion ensued. Council indicated willingness to pay \$2,147 entertainment, with an acknowledgement it's sponsored by Machar.

7. Council Total Remuneration and Expenses Paid in 2018, Resolution

39-19 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we acknowledge Council Total Remuneration and Expenses paid in 2018 Statement. CARRIED

COMMITTEES

8. Machar Public Works minutes of Feb 14, 2019, Resolution

40-19 Flowers, McLaren

THAT we accept Public Works minutes of Feb 14, 2019 including 2019 budget of \$1,099,888 up 6.4%, subject to overall Township budgetary requirements. CARRIED

9. South River Machar Medical minutes of Feb 19, 2019, Resolution

41-19 Flowers, Scarlett

THAT we support motions 1-3 and 5-6 in Medical Centre minutes of Feb 19, 2019 as follows: adopt the minutes, Pay List/Budgetary Control, 2019 budget in the amount of \$77,491.94 with any surplus at year end be placed into reserve, pay the remainder of the invoice, adjourned until Mar 19, 2019... CARRIED

Discussions ensued on proposed renovations, work is estimated to require tender to be advertised.

10. South River Machar Fire; addition to Code Red (Sundridge), Resolution

42-19 McLaren, Scarlett

THAT we support the inclusion of the Village of Sundridge to be added to our Code Red Community Notification System. CARRIED

11. South River Machar Arena minutes of Feb 19, 2019, Resolution

Discussion ensued on 2019 budget, draft #1 includes generator at an increase of 63.22% to Machar. Mayor Carleton queried amount in reserve. **Arena Reserve status at Dec 31, 2018 = \$5,000.

Arena Manager's Report indicates attendance at New Year's Day levy was low and would like to try a Family Night on Dec 31 instead. Weather may have been a factor, but costs acknowledged for Jan 1.

43-19 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we support motions 12-14 and 16-17 in Arena minutes of Feb 19, 2019 as follows: adopt the minutes, AP Ledger/Income Statement, Arena Manager's Report, rate increase to \$125 week for the South River Machar Day Camp, meet again on Mar 12, 2019...

FURTHER THAT motion 15 is deferred pending consideration by South River and further discussion at Committee. CARRIED

12. South River Machar Culture and Recreation minutes of Feb 19, 2019, Resolution

Discussion ensued. Family Game Night/Afternoon still in the works, Committee hopes to have a t-ball program this year before the soccer season, Farmer's Market and a manager to run it discussed.

44-19 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we support motions 8-10 in Culture and Recreation minutes of Feb 19, 2019 as follows: accept the minutes, Income Statement/AP Ledger, meet again on Mar 12, 2019... CARRIED

13. South River Machar Library minutes of Feb 13, 2019, Resolution

45-19 McLaren, Flowers

THAT we acknowledge Library minutes of Feb 13, 2019. CARRIED

14. District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Spring Meeting Apr 26, 2019

Hosted by Machar and South River. Full Council indicated intention to attend.

15. District of Parry Sound Social Services total honorariums and expenses Area 5 representatives

INFORMATION

- 16. Neening Resolutions with respect to ROMA (Rural ON Munic Assoc); the 1st relates to the enormity of the size of Zone 9, the 2nd relates to the election process**
- 17. Northeastern Ontario Rail Network outlines recent activities, once the budget is presented will know next steps, Minister Fedeli yesterday stated the return of passenger train service is not dead**
- 18. Minister of Finance regarding the 2019 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund – the government will be maintaining the current structure as well as Transitional Assistance, this means that the program and funding will remain virtually the same as 2in 2018, while allowing for annual data updates and related adjustments; Allocation notices with funding details for each municipality, as well as supporting materials, will be available in mid-March, at that time, the final 2019 funding envelope will also be announced, consistent with prior years, Transitional Assistance will continue to gradually decline as fewer municipalities require this funding, will continue to consult with municipalities to ensure the OMPF program is sustainable and focused on the Northern and rural municipalities that need this funding the most, committed to announcing 2020 allocations well in advance of the municipal budget year so that municipalities have appropriate time to plan**
- 19. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing also reviewing the Planning Act and Provincial Policy statement to ensure they are calibrated to achieve streamlining and housing supply objectives, may wish to consider an interim pause of major planning documents; official plan, zoning**
- 20. Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade pleased to announce 1st step in supporting ON automotive industry – Driving Prosperity: The Future of Ontario's Automotive Sector, includes Job Site Challenge, the opportunity to propose sites of 500-1,500 acres for industrial expansion, help proponents create competitive shovel-ready sites**
- 21. AMO Watchfile Feb 14, 2019 In This Issue**
 - Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot applications now open.
 - AMO's Social Media Webinar series begins February 27.
 - 2019 AMO Conference - Early Bird Registration open until March 1.
 - Save the Date: OSUM 2019 Conference, May 1-3.
 - Tell your Energy Story using RETScreen.
 - Streetlight Program still shines bright!

- LAS Blog: AMO-eSCRIBE Partnership: Digitally Transforming the Municipal Meeting Lifecycle.
- Get started now for 2019 road/sidewalk assessments.
- Careers with Kitchener, Parry Sound DSSAB, and Mississippi Mills.

22. AMO Watchfile Feb 21, 2019 In This Issue

- Listen to the latest episode of AMO ON Topic.
- Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot applications now open.
- AMO's 2019 Social Media Webinar series begins February 27.
- AMO Conference Early Bird registration open until March 1.
- Register now for OSUM 2019 in Pembroke.
- Tell your story with RETScreen!
- Federal Carbon Pricing System - webinar video link.
- Energy Planning Tool helps create Energy Plans.
- Career with Owen Sound.

23. Municipal World – Speaking truth to power – there`s no such thing as neutral

24. OMAFRA – SNAPP intake 5 – application window open from February 11 to March 29, Sustainable New Agri-Food Products and Productivity

25. OMAFRA – Garlic and Vegetable Production and Pest Management Workshop (New Liskeard)

26. Enbridge Gas and Union Gas amalgamated to form Enbridge Gas Inc on Jan 1, 2019, has applied to the ON Energy Bd for approval to increase rates to recover costs associated with meeting its obligations under the Federal Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act, carbon pricing required to pay to the federal government for natural gas to customers starting Apr 1, 2019, interested parties can apply to the OEB for Intervenor Status by Mar 13, 2019

27. IESO (Independent Electricity System Operator), central role in the provision of reliable and affordable power to all Ontarians, collaborates with communities to help them foster innovative electricity solutions and shape their energy future, municipalities achieving significant savings by investing in energy efficient equipment, driving an energy conscious culture and sharing information to support capacity building and best practices, would be pleased to meet with Council, share the findings on energy efficiency in water and wastewater treatment plants...

ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

Health Unit Conference Toronto

Councillor Flowers provided a report further to his attendance with the NBay Parry Sound District Health Unit at the conference in Toronto, indicating interest in hosting the Depression Recovery Program. This is an 8 week program with weekly sessions to learn how to identify depression and its causes, improve your emotional intelligence, enhance your energy levels and mood, overcome depression through positive lifestyle choices, eat for optimal brain function, manage stress without distress, live above loss, improve brain function, defeat depression through right thinking, achieve peak mental performance.

ADJOURN

46-19 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to Confirming By-Law and that we adjourn until our Regular meeting scheduled for Mon, Mar 11, 2019 or per Procedural By-Law. CARRIED

Mayor Lynda Carleton

Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT

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