

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR  
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, January 8, 2018**

**Call to Order, Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof; nil.**

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

**BUSINESS**

**1. Dec 11, 2017 minutes, Resolution**

**1-18 Wood, Scarlett**

THAT we adopt minutes of Dec 11, 2017. CARRIED

**2. 2018 Spring Newsletter, Update on Phragmites Public Information Session**

Amendments noted. Clerk Administrator to follow up with ELCA President on presenters.

**COMMITTEES**

**3. Machar Emergency Management; compliant with EMCPA requirements**

**4. South River Resolutions; rescinds Resolution to dissolve Arena, Culture & Rec Committees**

**5. South River Machar Arena minutes of Dec 6, 2017, Resolution**

Day Camp Agreement is being returned to Committee for clarification on time frame. Current and Proposed Rental Rates provided.

**2-18 Scarlett, McLaren**

THAT we support motions 51-54 and 56-58 as contained in Arena minutes of Dec 6, 2017; adopt the minutes, AP Ledger/Income Statement, reduced fee of \$225 by not charging for the kitchen for the South River Curling Club, Arena Rental Rates 2018, HOC Day Camp Registration with rates remaining the same as 2017, meet again on Jan 10, 2018... CARRIED

**a. 2018 Proposed Budget Draft 3 up 4.13% (our share), Rental Rates & Capital Projects List**

Capital Projects List provided: Bleacher Heaters and Electric Motor Soft Starts included.

**3-18 Scarlett, Wood**

THAT we support motion 55 as contained in Arena minutes of Dec 6, 2017; accept the Budget Draft 3 with our share being \$75,703 for 2018 representing a 4.13% or \$3,002 increase to our share over 2017 Budget. CARRIED

**6. South River Machar Culture and Recreation minutes of Dec 6, 2018, Resolution**

Task list isn't included in the Secretary's job duties per streamlining of the position. Mar meetings cancelled due to Secretary's maternity leave. Arena Manager has suggested moving Christmas in the Village from the South River Municipal Office to the Arena. Rescheduling of weather related cancelled Christmas in the Village discussed, as Machar selected an alternate date per options provided, but South River decided to forego. Agreed it could have went ahead.

**4-18 Scarlett, McLaren**

THAT we support motions 34-36 as contained in Culture and Recreation minutes of Dec 6, 2017; accept the minutes, Income Statement/AP Ledger, meet again on Jan 10, 2018... CARRIED

**7. South River Machar Library minutes of Dec 12, 2017, Resolution**

Advertising for an Assistant Librarian, Children's programming increasing.

**5-18 Wood, Flowers**

THAT we accept Library minutes of Dec 12, 2017. CARRIED

**8. Central Almaguin Planning minutes of Dec 13, 2017, Resolution**

**6-18 Wood, Flowers**

THAT we acknowledge Planning minutes of Dec 13, 2017. CARRIED

**9. CAEDA (Central Almaguin Economic Development Assoc) minutes of Nov 20, Nov 30, Dec 18 and Revised 2 Year Work Plan, Resolution**

**7-18 Scarlett, McLaren**

THAT we acknowledge CAEDA minutes of Nov 20, 30 and Dec 18, 2017. CARRIED

Chairperson suggested that CAEDA take no further steps with respect to our withdrawal. Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce President has requested to speak to Council on behalf of AHCC officially on Jan 22 regarding Council's decision and advised Mayor Carleton that AHCC will be an official member that makes an additional financial contribution to CAEDA. Discussion ensued on our own economic efforts including improved internet, business listing on our website About Us page and suggestion for featured business or founding family promotion. It was noted, Toboggan Hill at Eagle Lake Rd and Leighton Rd property isn't municipally owned.

**10. Parry Sound Municipal Partners POA (Provincial Offences Act) Advisory minutes of Nov 23, 2017, Resolution**

**8-18 Wood, McLaren**

THAT we acknowledge POA minutes of Nov 23, 2017. CARRIED

**11. Joint Building permit summaries for Dec, Resolution**

**9-18 Scarlett, Wood**

THAT we accept JBC permit summaries for Dec 2017.

Permit totals are 156, as compared to 136 in 2016 with Strong at 42 and Machar at 41...

**INFORMATION**

- 12. City of Clarence-Rockland Resolution opposing the adoption of Bill 160, Strengthening Quality and Accountability for Patients Act, 2017, Bill 160 suggests to create a "pilot project" to trial a Fire-Medic model where cross-trained firefighters would be able to perform certain paramedic kills and this implementation of a pilot project could precipitate arbitrators forcing the Fire-Medic model on other fire departments across the Province with significant potential financial impact to municipalities**
- 13. Township of Armour passed Resolution #14 in order to petition the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to provide funding for the construction of a long-term care facility in the Armour, Burk's Falls and Ryerson area**
- 14. District of Parry Sound Social Service Administration Board Resolution 17 20 03 Income Security: A Roadmap for Change, a multi-year plan that outlines the steps needed to reach a modern, responsive and effective system to help people in poverty move towards improving their lives and able to become fully contributing members of our communities**
- 15. Township of Joly passed By-law No. 2017-018 to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 1. The purpose of By-law is to allow the incorporation of changes to the Official Plan required to ensure that the map schedules reflect accurate lot lines, the land division policies accord with the Provincial Policy Statement 2014 and to allow the Township to use site plan control for new economic development**

16. N Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; Blue-Green Algae reported in Corkery Lake, Township of Ballantyne
17. N Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; local E. coli Cases Linked to National Outbreak regarding romaine lettuce, for signs and symptoms related to E.coli call 705-474-1400 ext. 2252, for food safety questions call 705-1400 ext. 2400
18. N Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; has begun its annual review of vaccination records for secondary school students, letter in Dec for any missing information
19. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit 2018 levy up 0% (no change)
20. Municipal Property Assessment Corporation 2018 funding requirements, province wide municipal levy increase of 2.65%, preliminary data for Machar reflects 0.26% increase
21. MPAC 2017 Year-End Assessment Report/Summary
22. MPAC developed the 2017 Year-End Assessment Report for the 2018 Tax Year for municipal administration and elected officials to provide an Executive Summary of the work performed by MPAC in 2017, which includes municipal level snapshots of the property class changes unique to your area
23. MPAC announced they have selected a new President and CAO, Nicole McNeil
24. Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) correspondence regarding the official launch of MPAC's Service Level Agreement commitment to deliver timely, accurate and measurable products and services to our municipal stakeholders defines high performance standards for MPAC in 14 key service areas
25. MPAC News – December 2017, Delivering Assessment Rolls to Municipalities Across Ontario, Service Level Agreement – Year-End Tax File Delivery, 2017 Year-End Assessment Report, 2018 Budget & Municipal Levy, Holiday Closure Notice
26. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, in collaboration with the Forest Tenure Modernization Oversight, has successfully completed the Review of Forest Tenure Models
27. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry Review of Long-Term Management Direction French-Severn Forest 2019-2029 Forest Management Plan, comments by January 19, 2018
28. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry notification of Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 receiving royal assent; amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act, changes to Local Planning Appeals Tribunal
29. Ministry of Municipal Affairs; Passing of Bill 139 - the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 will replace the Ontario Municipal Board with a new tribunal, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, and helps ensure that proceedings before the tribunal are faster, fairer and more affordable
30. Minister of Government and Consumer Service, Minister of Municipal Affairs Bill 59, Putting Consumers First Act (Consumer Protection Statute Law Amendment) expanded municipal authority to regulate payday lenders. Additional regulatory changes to strengthen protection for consumers using payday loans and cheque-cashing services come into force on July 1, 2018
31. Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services government of Ontario announced an expansion to the Ontario Naloxone Program to provide access to police and fire services
32. Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and Minister Responsible for Small Business 2018 Rural Summit Thursday, February 15, 2018, Newcastle Village Community Town Hall, Building a Stronger Rural Ontario welcoming rural leaders from across the province to discuss how we can work together to build a stronger rural Ontario. The summit will feature engaging speakers as well as the presentation of the first ever Rural Ontario Leaders Award
33. Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change proposed amendments to a regulation under the Clean Water Act and establish a new regulation under the Safe Drinking Water Act have been posted on the Environmental Registry; 1<sup>st</sup> regulation regarding expanding a drinking water system or building a new drinking water system, 2<sup>nd</sup> regulation regarding improve the regulatory framework by formally adding liquid hydrocarbon pipelines to the list of prescribed threats, expand minor plan amendments that are permitted, increase transparency by adding some additional notification and data sharing requirements
34. Ministry of Finance; Ontario continues to prepare for federal legalization of cannabis, given the federal government's forecasts of modest revenue and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' estimated cost projections, our engagement will need to acknowledge that it appears unlikely there will be enough revenue to fully cover the incremental municipal and provincial costs associated with legalization
35. FONOM commends the provincial government's announcement to improve transportation services within and between communities across the North

- 36. AMO Communications Policy Update Ministry of Municipal Affairs posted draft regulation Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, addresses implementation**
- 37. AMO Policy Update: AMO's 2018 Pre-Budget Submission encourages all municipalities to reinforce the submission's themes in discussions or presentation with provincial officials**
- 38. AMO Policy Update: New Municipal Asset Management Planning Regulation sets out new requirements for undertaking asset management planning, note the dates**
- 39. AMO Watchfile Dec 14, 2017 In This Issue**
- AMO response to Income Security Reform Consultation.
  - 2018 Provincial Election - getting ready.
  - Legislation with municipal impacts at Queen's Park.
  - Ontario launches age-friendly community recognition program.
  - A parliamentarian's Christmas wish.
  - January 17, 2018 - bookings open for AMO Conference.
  - January 20, 2018 - Bill 68 workshop.
  - ROMA showcases rural municipalities.
  - Special events - how do you handle them?
  - One Investment - holiday closure for HISA deposits.
  - How to recycle energy?
  - Reduce energy and save money in 2018 with LAS.
- 40. AMO Watchfile Dec 21, 2017 In This Issue**
- Message from the AMO President and AMO Executive Director.
  - Canada 150 and Ontario 150 and AMO 118!
  - AMO's provincial election strategy showcased for communicators on January 10.
  - AMO's response to Income Security Reform Consultation.
  - Food and Organic Waste Framework.
  - Ontario announces funding for Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reductions.
  - Ontario Commuter Cycling Program.
  - Green Commercial Vehicle Program.
  - Green Ontario Fund.
  - Ontario launches age-friendly community recognition program.
  - January 17, 2018 - bookings open for AMO Conference.
  - January 20, 2018 - Bill 68 workshop.
  - A big thank-you from LAS!
  - Careers with Goderich, Petrolia and OPS.
- 41. AMO Watchfile Jan 4, 2018 In This Issue**
- Cannabis implementation.
  - New Municipal Asset Management Planning Regulation in place.
  - Proclamation of *Ontario Immigration Act, 2015* and its regulations.
  - Ontario announces funding for Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reductions.
  - Ontario Commuter Cycling Program.
  - Green Commercial Vehicle Program.
  - Green Ontario Fund.
  - January 17, 2018 - bookings open for AMO Conference.
  - January 20, 2018 - Bill 68 workshop.
  - Special events - How do you handle them?
  - New Year, new budget - register for the ROMA Conference.
  - Inspire your staff to save energy with an Energy Awareness Program.
  - Careers with AMO and Ontario Public Service.
- 42. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Algonquin Forestry Authority and the Algonquin Park Forest Local Citizen's Committee invite you to participate in the development of the 2020-2030 Forest Management Plan for the Algonquin Park Forest**
- 43. ROMA Communications still time to register for ROMA Speaks 2018 – a conference for all elected officials and senior staff working in rural municipalities January 21 -23, 2018, Toronto**
- 44. Ernie Hardeman, MPP, PC Leader Patrick Brown recently released the Ontario PC Platform, called the People's Guarantee. Some of the most significant policies impacting municipalities: Restore the Ontario Municipal Partnership, Increase transparency by explaining infrastructure decisions, Fix the Joint and Several Liability issue, Invest in Broadband and Cellular infrastructure, Increased input into Growth Plans, Investing \$124 million for recreational infrastructure, Restore local planning authority over renewable energy projects, Red Tape**
- 45. Ernie Hardeman, MPP, ROMA Conference is taking place in Toronto from January 21-23, Patrick Brown, the Leader of the Ontario PC Party, will be giving his speech**
- 46. Employment Ontario-Almaguin Adult Learning Centre is offering the second of our Getting Ahead program beginning January 16, 2018 in South River powerful Getting Ahead curriculum shares Bridges Out of Poverty concepts directly with people living in poverty**

47. Sudbury East Nipissing Parry Sound District OMAFRA E-bulletin-December, register by calling Verner OMAFRA North region office – 705-594-2312 or by email: [noroaginfo@ontario.ca](mailto:noroaginfo@ontario.ca). Plastic Survey January 21, 2018, Muskoka, Parry Sound and East Nipissing Beef Farmers AGM – January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Magnetawan, SynAgri Precision Agriculture Workshop – Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018
48. OMAFRA (ON Min of Agri, Food & Rural Affairs) Northeast GF2-OSCIA workshops [www.ontariosoilcrop.org](http://www.ontariosoilcrop.org), Ontario Pesticide Education Program [www.ipmcertified.ca/courses/](http://www.ipmcertified.ca/courses/) & Integrated Pest Management courses [www.opep.ca/courses/](http://www.opep.ca/courses/)
49. OMAFRA SNAPP Program now accepting applications for funding Dec 1-Feb 28 [www.rainalgoma.ca/snapp/](http://www.rainalgoma.ca/snapp/) Sustainable New Agri Food Products and Productivity, eligible projects include: productivity enhancement, new products, season extension
50. Communities in Bloom is all about greening through environmental, natural heritage conservation and horticultural actions that involve citizens, business, institutions, and municipalities, registration forms need to be mailed by April 30, 2018

**10-18 Scarlett, Flowers**

THAT we support and petition the Minister of Health and Long Term Care to provide funding for the construction or a long term care facility in the Trout Creek area to upgrade or replace Lady Isabelle Nursing Home. CARRIED

**ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION**

**ADJOURN**

**11-18 Flowers, McLaren**

THAT we give 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Confirming By-Law and that we adjourn until our Regular meeting scheduled for Mon, Jan 22, 2018 or per Procedural By-Law. CARRIED.

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Mayor Lynda Carleton

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Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT

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