

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR  
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, July 22, 2019**

**Call to Order, Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof; Mayor Carleton with respect to 11 as her son is a manager of multiple beer stores, Councillor Wood with respect to item 2 as he is in negotiations with another internet service provider, and 6 as he is a member.**

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

Guests observing: John Mowat, Marvin Nolan.

**BUSINESS**

**1. Adoption of Jul 8, 2019 minutes, Resolution**

**137-19 Wood, Flowers**

THAT we adopt Jul 8, 2019 minutes. CARRIED

**2. Update on Cogeco exploratory High Speed Internet**

Further to presentation at last meeting and Non Disclosure Agreement, Administration has provided the data requested. Further to a request from Cogeco, Mayor Carleton reached out to South River. South River were not able to help with data pulling so Cogeco will do that themselves, they just need the NDA signed to share the results and then get the support letter.

**3. Revised 2019 Summer Newsletter, Resolution**

Upcoming Events area has been condensed, Cogeco Connexion information has been added to promote and assess the current broadband connectivity of homes and businesses within the Township. Discussion ensued on the New Year's Eve Family Event or the New Year's Day Levee. South River's wishes are still unknown. Machar's wishes remain the New Year's Day Levee. Upcoming Events are posted and updated on our website Events page.

**138-19 McLaren, Flowers**

THAT we approve revised 2019 Summer Newsletter. CARRIED

**COMMITTEES**

**4. Machar Public Works minutes of Jul 11, 2019, Resolution**

**139-19 McLaren, Wood**

THAT we accept Public Works minutes of Jul 11, 2019 as amended. CARRIED

**a) Eagle Lake Rd proposal for surface treatment repairs**

Mayor Carleton provided an update on meeting and discussions. Reply has been sent. The Township is extremely disappointed with the finished product and are not prepared to accept it in its current condition. Contractor work to complete the contract has been identified. It is requested that the sub-contractor perform the application of the surface treatment. Time is of the essence to take advantage of the warm weather conditions for good surface treatment application. We're awaiting contractor response.

Mayor Carleton requested an update from Councillor Wood on the ELCA phragmites effort. Councillor Wood advised the 1<sup>st</sup> cut of this year was Sun starting at the Eagle Lake Estates Boat Launch, they got a lot cut, some remote sites, phragmites volume (consistency) was down from last year, 40-50 volunteers and everyone was happy. Mayor Carleton queried a social media comment which indicates otherwise.

The Township has supported the ELCA in hosting the information session, taking registrations, etc. and Public Works staff will assist on the Mon, the Landfill is closed but staff will make arrangements to accommodate the phragmites. Also, during discussions at last Council meeting, Deputy Mayor McLaren offered a self unloading trailer which Councillor Flowers offered his assistance to bring it into the Landfill. Councillor Wood advised they had lots of trailers on Sun. Clerk Administrator advised Superintendent of Public Works delivered the barricade requested to close the Boat Launch site on Fri.

Councillor Wood advised he attended the ELCA AGM (Eagle Lake Conservation Association Annual General Meeting) held on Sat at the Highlander Brewery.

**5. Machar By-Law Enforcement Officer trailer by-law draft**

BLEO has expressed difficulty in enforcing Zoning By-Law provision for temporary trailers up to 30 days, and provided a trailer by-law for consideration. Discussion ensued. The by-law would permit trailers beyond 30 days with the acquisition of a license. Trailers have not been permitted in the Township beyond 30 days since 2006. Council do not wish to pursue a change to allow trailers.

**6. South River Machar Fire Establishing & Regulating By-Law, Fire Rating Sign Request**

Fire Chief has inquired on passing of the by-law indicating that South River has passed it. We inquired with South River in Mar and were advised it wasn't priority at that time. There's been nothing further since. Committee members had requested the by-law changes be highlighted, but the Fire Chief advised there were too many changes made from the previous by-law and provided Committee member Flowers with copies of each by-law to review. Councillor Flowers indicated he had reviewed them, but it was some time ago. By-Laws to be provided to Council for review.

Citizen 5-258 submitted a request on Jul 9 on behalf of the residents at the north end of Eagle Lake to replace the Fire Rating sign at the corner of Riding Ranch Rd and Scarlett Rd. This road also services Bray and King Lakes. Citizen expresses it's been a long hot spell and tourists need to be informed and reminded of the risks, there can't be too many signs when it comes to safety. Request was forwarded to Fire Dept Admin/South River and the Fire Chief on Jul 10. No reply received yet.

**7. Joint Building permit summaries for Jun, Resolution**

**140-19 Wood, Flowers**

THAT we acknowledge Building permit summaries for Jun 2019. CARRIED

**8. N Bay & District Health Unit minutes approved and posted on website [www.myhealthunit.ca](http://www.myhealthunit.ca)**

**INFORMATION**

- 9. Village of Oil Springs – Support of Warwick resolution, in requesting that the Hon. Doug Downey work with fellow MPP's and agricultural leaders to find a better way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws – or new legislation – to ensure the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals for the very reason cited in the Warwick Motion adopted at its Regular meeting on June 17, 2019**
- 10. Town of Plympton-Wyoming – Support of Warwick Farm Safety Resolution 2019 – steady increase in harassment of farmers and livestock transporters by activists opposed to animal agriculture and the consumption of animals, protests have become blatantly illegal in nature with extremist groups trespassing onto private property, unlawfully entering into buildings and removing animals without fear of prosecution and even promoting and publishing their crimes on social media, maintaining proper biosecurity is essential to ensure the health and well being of the animals cared for on these agricultural operations, recent attacks on farmers homes and businesses have resulted in no criminal charges laid, leaving farmers feeling unprotected by the Ontario legal system and afraid for the welfare of themselves, their families, their employees and the animals they care for**
- 11. Thorold News; Council fights for Beer Store, Bill 115 to cancel the Master Framework Agmt between the breweries and the Province would put 7,000 Ontarians who are currently employed by the Beer Store out of work, amendment to the Liquor Control Act also threatens one of the**

most successful recycling programs, should do everything in our power to revoke Bill 115 including banning corner store beer and protect good paying jobs, while the cost of corner store beer in Ontario is being speculated, in Alberta a case of beer is \$55, having a beer store equips us with staff who look out for the welfare of the people and maintain community safety

12. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; Passed the following resolution related to the public health transformation initiative in northeastern, committed to continued collaboration
13. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; Letter – Support for a national healthy school food program, Canada is the only G7 country that does not provide federal funding to support
14. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; July 4, 2019 - Blue-Green Algae in Lake Nipissing (Marathon Beach in North Bay & Centennial Park Beach in Callander) [www.myhealthunit.ca/algae](http://www.myhealthunit.ca/algae)
15. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; July 10, 2019 - Blue-Green Algae in Lake Nipissing in Patterson and Nipissing Townships (Campbell's Bay in Patterson Township and Simpson's Bay in Nipissing Township) [www.myhealthunit.ca/algae](http://www.myhealthunit.ca/algae)
16. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; July 11, 2019 - Harmful Blue-Green Algae in Talon Lake (McCool Bay, Township of Bonfield) and McQuaby Lake (Township of Nipissing)
17. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit – Public Service Announcement: July 16, 2019, reminding the public that beaches were not closed, Health Unit has issued advisories for harmful blue-green algae; however, it is safe to swim in the area when the bloom is not present, harmful blue-green algae advisories do not close the beach, but rather advise swimmers that they need to take caution in the area [myhealthunit.ca/algae](http://myhealthunit.ca/algae)
18. Kawartha Credit Union – would like to thank you everyone for their generous donation towards their BBQ and Silent Auction Fundraiser, proceeds generated, were used to send local children from our community, for one week to the South River Machar Day Camp at Hockey Opportunity Camp, 31 children in total
19. Doug Downey Attorney General – Joint and Several Liability and Insurance Consultations; government's consultations regarding joint and several liability, insurance costs, and the liability chill affecting the delivery of everyday public services
20. AMO Communications – Attorney General Launches Consultation on Municipal Liability and Insurance Costs; AMO welcomes this consultation and seeks your support in responding to the government's request, Liability reform represents a longstanding request of municipal governments; consultation period will remain open until September 27<sup>th</sup>, Attorney General welcomes delegations and written submissions during this period
21. AMO Watchfile In This Issue
  - The top questions about digital signatures.
  - Save 15% off Deluxe Canada products.
  - Updated OFM's Directive on reporting on fires and explosions requiring investigation.
  - Consultation: Canada-Ontario Agreement on Great Lakes.
  - AMO Conference sponsorship.
  - Sign up today for Pre-Conference Clinics at the 2019 AMO Conference.
  - The AMO Conference is just 38 days away!
  - Durham Region resolution concerning Lake Ontario water levels.
  - Careers with Halton Region, Kingston and Cochrane DSSAB.
22. AMO Watchfile In This Issue
  - Meeting management with integrated digital signatures.
  - AMO-4S Partnership: Webinar now available.
  - The top questions about digital signatures.
  - Save 15% off Deluxe Canada products.
  - Bill 108 comments on regulations - deadlines approach.
  - Canada Infrastructure Bank makes investments in municipal infrastructure projects.
  - Almost one billion in federal Gas Tax funding delivered to Ontario municipalities.
  - Sign up today for Pre-Conference Clinics at the 2019 AMO Conference.
  - The AMO Conference is just 30 days away!
  - AMO Conference sponsorship.
  - LAS Blog: AMO-4S partnership.
23. OMAFRA – 2019 Northern Ontario Poultry Workshops (Powassan July 15<sup>th</sup>) and (Azilda July 17<sup>th</sup>); Northern Poultry Tour Flyer
24. Ontario Heritage Trust – Calling for applications to the 2020 Doris McCarthy Artist-in-Residence program; residency program is open to professional artists from across Canada who are practising a wide array of disciplines; Application deadline: September 30, 2019, [Madison.hamilton@heritagetrust.on.ca](mailto:Madison.hamilton@heritagetrust.on.ca) for more information
25. Ombudsman Ontario – Annual Report, covers the 2018-2019 fiscal year
26. Municipal World – Take off the golden handcuffs- Tear down the silos that can build around departments, develop cross-department employee engagement groups; Embrace different perspectives and viewpoints from all municipal employees to find a united path to get there;

Ensure employees feel safe to bring ideas forward and question the norms; Municipal Administration should never allow employees to forget they work for their neighbours and their own community; Replace them with pride in their community and organization

27. Municipal World Magazine – Gender Identity and Gender Expression in the Workplace; Take off the golden handcuffs; Why small towns elect more women; E-Learning program for workplace sexual harassment; Pam Davis: Woman if Influence in local government; Big Ideas for small places; 10 tips for building your municipal career; Bridging the employee engagement gap; Servant leadership; Small-town support for revitalization; Future city builders; A word from the editor; Governance zone; Civic academy; Curmudgeon’s corner; The reading room; Access & privacy zone; Coming events

**141-19 McLaren, Flowers**

THAT we support Township of Warwick Resolution regarding Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms. CARRIED

#### ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

**South River Machar Agricultural Society Fall Fair**

Mayor Carleton referred the SRMAS are very happy that we’ve sponsored the children’s entertainment for the annual Fall Fair, and that they’re in need of volunteers immediately to help with arrangements.

#### ADJOURN

**142-19 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, Aug 12, 2019. CARRIED

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Mayor Lynda Carleton

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Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT

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