

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 25, 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 and Superintendent of Public Works Stephen Scarlett.

Guests scheduled: South River Machar Agricultural Society President Janet Baynton and Treasurer Jim Stephenson.

Events planned for the upcoming South River Machar Fall Fair on Sep 7 and 8, 2018

President advised the Agricultural Society will not be requesting the ice surface be covered. Exhibits will be placed in the upstairs Community Centre, outside vendors in their usual spot and inside vendors in the South River Machar Lions Pavilion newly built last year. The Society hopes to co-ordinate usage with the Almaguin Spartans hockey team to possibly offer a game and a Meet and Greet. The Society may do a dinner on the Sat night. Friday night's events include a beer garden and music by Phil Morgan in the Pavilion from 7-11 pm. Saturday events include Chalmer's United Church Breakfast, Light and Heavy Horse Shows, Northern Outriders Performance, Hall and Chicken Exhibits, Children's Entertainment, Vendors including an ice cream truck, and a Barbeque from 11 am – 2 pm. Agricultural Society representatives expressed volunteers and funding are needed. A letter was presented requesting a donation to go directly to the cost of Children's Entertainment. Council approved \$1,017 staff cost for the Children's Entertainment. Councillor Wood suggested the municipalities could also look at the Fall Fair expense line in the Arena Budget (\$2,500) for possible additional funding for the Fair since many of the expenses won't be incurred now (as the ice surface doesn't require covering). Arena Committee members indicated there may still be some costs to this account as the Arena Manager charges staff hours for the Fair. Arena Committee members will bring forward to Arena Committee.

**The Fall Fair Book 2018 and Entry Form have been received and posted to our website:
<http://www.machartownship.net/events.html>

The Ontario Agricultural Society District meeting will be held in South River on Oct 27, 2018.

BUSINESS

1. Jun 11, 2018 minutes, Resolution

118-18 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we adopt minutes of Jun 11, 2018. CARRIED

2. Lawn Fertilizer By-Law – Restricted 30 m Water Body, Resolution

119-18 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 11-18; being a by-law to regulate and control the use of fertilizer. CARRIED

Fertilizer containing phosphorus restricted on any lot which is not farmland and which is located within 30 metres of a water body. Set Fine is \$100. There are some exceptions.

3. Dog By-Law Amendment – Permanent Dog Tags, Resolution

120-18 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we amend Dog By-Law 15-97, Section 3.b) to read as follows: Every person described in subsection 3.a) shall pay a permanent life long tag fee in the amount of \$15.00 per dog licensed.

There shall be no more than six dogs permitted on a property unless a Kennel License has been obtained. CARRIED

4. South River Friendly Circle request for financial support

Budget of approximately \$28,400 is supported by membership, fees for programs, fundraising, grants (provincial and municipal), and donations. One of the conditions for grant approval is financial support totalling 20% of their grant from their municipalities. Approved \$1,000.

5. Administration Update; Request for Documentation File Review Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, Gas Tax Audit, Update on Financial Statements for JBC and CAEDA

The Accessibility Directorate of Ontario periodically conducts file reviews on selected organizations to confirm that they are in compliance with the Act and associated accessibility standards. We've been selected. A list of documentation is required within 10 business days.

We've been randomly selected for the 2017 Federal Gas Tax municipal compliance audit. The auditor will conduct a site visit on Jun 27, 2018. Audit Preparation Guide lists documentation we're required to gather. The auditors will assess compliance with the Municipal Funding Agmt.

Further to on site discussions with our auditor to cross reference Asset Management figures, we've made further inquiries and obtained the draft Financial Statements for JBC & CAEDA.

Website management training completed on Jun 20, 2018 and all seems to be going well.

COMMITTEES

6. Machar Public Works notes of Jun 14, 2018, Resolution

121-18 Wood, McLaren

THAT we accept Public Works minutes of Jun 14, 2018. CARRIED

122-18 McLaren, Flowers

THAT we authorize the Mayor and Clerk Administrator to execute Agreement for Rehabilitation of the Eagle Lake Road Contract No. 60567980. CARRIED

Eagle Lake Rd project is scheduled to start next week. Culverts will be done first. Pre-construction meeting held Fri, Jun 22, 2018. Site visit with contractor held at Eagle Lake Estates Park Boat Launch on Jun 22, 2018. Cement slabs will be adjusted after Jul 1, 2018 as discussed.

7. South River Machar Arena minutes of Jun 6, 2018, Resolution

123-18 McLaren, Wood

THAT we support motions 29-33 as contained in Arena minutes of Jun 6, 2018; adopt the minutes, AP Ledger/Income Statement, Arena Manager's Report, rental for the fundraising dinner and dance, meet again on Wed, Jul 4, 2018... CARRIED

Internet will be upgraded to fibre optic. There is an increased monthly cost, but it can be absorbed within 2018 budget. It will increase the efficiency of the building's internet use and make it feasible to live stream the Spartan's hockey games. Contractor reports and pricing for the existing and proposed ice pad are forthcoming. These are important for long range planning and funding applications. Generator again discussed. A used generator can be obtained for about 1/3 the cost of new and may be the way to make it feasible for the Arena.

8. South River Machar Culture and Rec minutes of Jun 6, 2018, Resolution

124-18 Wood, McLaren

THAT we support motions 13-16 as contained in Culture and Rec minutes of Jun 6, 2018; adopt the minutes, AP Ledger/Income Statement, Arena Manager's Report, meet again on Wed, Jul 4, 2018... CARRIED

Soccer registration numbers are down this year. Farmers Market will move to the Brewery area.

9. Joint Building meeting of Jun 25, 2018

Councillor Wood gave a brief report on meeting earlier this evening. Additional info is coming.

INFORMATION

- 10. Public Consultation Session – Almaguin Highlands Economic Development Plan two sessions
Thu, Jun 21st from 6:00PM – 8:00PM Location 250 Clark St. in Powassan, Tue, Jun 26th
(changed to Mon, Jun 25) from 6:00PM – 8:00PM Location Burk's Falls Arena – 220 Centre
Street, plot the course of the region for the next five years**
- 11. CAEDA Regional Economic Development Focus Group as a Municipal Councillor would like to
invite you to participate in a Focus Group on Tue, Jun 26 from 1:30-3:30 pm at Burks Falls;
What is working well in the region, what are the opportunities and gaps, how can we better
position the region for economic growth, RSVP by Mon, Jun 25**
- 12. NBay Parry Sound District Health Unit Grand Opening Event; Jun 27, 2018 from 4-5:30 pm,
please RSVP by Jun 22, 2018 (letter dated Jun 8, 2018, received Jun 18, 2018)**
- 13. Public Meeting of the Almaguin Save Huntsville Hospital (ASHH) Committee on Thu, Jul 12 at
the Karl Crozier Hall in the Armour Ryerson & Burks Falls Memorial Arena – 7:00 pm, planning
on 3 stages; 1) education, 2) guest speakers, 3) open mic session for public**
- 14. Twilight Jazz Group Coffee House Thu, Jun 28, 2018 Chalmers United Church Hall, cover charge
\$10, refreshments available, seating limited, presented by SRiver Machar Lions**
- 15. MPAC Small-scale On-farm Business Subclasses; On May 3, 2018, the Minister of Finance
announced new optional subclasses for both industrial and commercial property classes to
promote and support local farm enterprises across Ontario new subclasses will provide a tax
reduction for small-scale on farm businesses, MPAC is aiming to complete a full review of
eligible properties by the end of 2018**
- 16. OPP Update on initiatives relevant to OPP municipal policing as of Jul 1, 2018 Motor Vehicle
Accident Reports (MVAR) are to be directed to the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), OPP
continues to promote community policing model**
- 17. AMO New Government – Next Steps: Ontarians elected the Progressive Conservative Party to
govern the province, AMO congratulates Premier designate Doug Ford, AMO looks forward to
working with the new government in Queens Park, attention now turns to ensuring the new
premier and his team understands the priorities, goals and concerns of Ontario municipal
governments**
- 18. AMO Watchfile Jun 14, 2018 In This Issue**
 - 2018 - 2020 AMO Board of Directors: Call for nominations.
 - OMERS Comprehensive Plan Review.
 - 5-Year Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan update.
 - 2017 Financial Information Returns now available on MIDAS.
 - Careers with Richmond Hill and Toronto.
- 19. AMO Watchfile Jun 21, 2018 In This Issue**
 - 2018 - 2020 AMO Board of Directors: Call for nominations.
 - *Construction Act* - Important changes coming July 1.
 - Apply for FCM's Green Municipal Fund capital project funding.
 - Government of Canada's Enabling Accessibility Fund.
 - Deadline to book delegations is July 3.
 - AMO Conference Program at a Glance.
 - Hashtags. Emojis. Selfies.
 - So, You Want to Run for Council?
 - Missed one of our webinars?
 - What changing interest rates mean for ONE HISA.
 - Careers with Huron County and City of Guelph.
- 20. 2018 AMO AGM and Annual Conference "in Conversation" Aug 19-22, Ottawa, program at a
glance now available www.amo.on.ca/Events/AMOCongference/Programming**

21. OMAFRA Northern Poultry Tour workshops focused on raising poultry for personal or small-scale commercial use, Jul 9 at 6:30 PM in Spring Bay, Jul 10 at 6:30 PM in Sowerby, Jul 11 at 6:30 PM in Azilda, Jul 12 at 6:30 PM in Powassan
22. Associate Professor at York University leading a research project on the care that patients and their families in rural Ontario receive in hospital and when they come home after a hospital stay, looking for patients and caregivers to participate, overall goal of this study is to improve transitional care in rural areas in ON, will involve 2 telephone interviews, will receive up to \$75 in compensation for time, jibutler@yorku.ca or call 1-647-951-2055

ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

Eagle Lake Conservation Association Phragmites Effort

A meeting of the Committee struck was held on Mon, Jun 20, 2018 to develop a strategy, with 3 initial dates for cutting set: Mon, Jul 23 (a small group focused at the site of the Boat Launch), and then Sat, Jul 28 and Sun, Jul 29. The start time will be 9 am. It seems there are volunteers available from the Near North Snowdrifters Snowmobile Club. Volunteers recruited by the ELCA are covered by ELCA insurance. It was confirmed volunteers are not covered by the Township's insurance. The municipality can assist with promotion on the display board at the Landfill and by taking names/phone numbers to list for the ELCA. The ELCA has obtained a grant to purchase equipment for the project. The program will abide by the 6 rules established by the MNR so that work permits are not required. The municipality has agreed to transport and dispose of the cut material. Discussion ensued on the dates selected. Superintendent of Public Works will ensure staff are available.

Machar Crackers Canada Day Fireworks at Eagle Lake Narrows

Councillor Scarlett referred a wish of the organizer for someone else to take over. Some names were put forward for her to consider. Councillor Scarlett will advise.

CLOSED SESSION

125-18 Wood, McLaren

THAT we proceed into Closed Session in order to address a matter pertaining to; personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, labour relations or employee negotiations. Time 7:52 pm. CARRIED

126-18 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we come out of Closed Session. Time 8:25 pm. CARRIED

ADJOURN

127-18 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to Confirming By-Law and that we adjourn until our Regular meeting scheduled for Mon, Jul 9, 2018 or per Procedural By-Law. CARRIED

Mayor Lynda Carleton

Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT

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