

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 11, 2019**

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 and Neil Scarlett. Councillor Bart Wood was absent with notice. Staff present: Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul.

Guest observing: Cindy Ord.

BUSINESS

1. Adoption of Feb 25, 2019 minutes, Resolution

Notice of Passing sent out on Minor Variance 5-192. Letter sent to Agricultural Society.

47-19 Flowers, Scarlett

THAT we adopt Feb 25, 2019 minutes. CARRIED

2. Administration Update, Resolution

Tax collection efforts highlighted and successful. Cyber Liability Coverage quote discussed, as well as Computer Replacement Forecasting Tool and Cybersecurity for the Municipal Office. Added insurance premium ranges from \$2,880-\$6,500 and will be considered further during budget.

48-19 McLaren, Flowers

THAT we accept Administration Update to Mar 1, 2019. CARRIED

3. Unaudited Statement of Accounts, Resolution

Reviewed, all are comparable to the 2018 Budgets approved.

49-19 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we acknowledge Unaudited Statement of Accounts from South River for 2018 shared service costs as follows: Fire \$166,344 (amount owing nil) Transfer to Reserve/Revenue Surplus \$19,153.41 pending final audit, Arena \$76,289.20 (amount owing \$586.20) pending final audit, Culture and Recreation balance owing \$1,247.76 pending final audit. CARRIED

4. Pay List by Fund for Feb 2019, Resolution

Reviewed, survey cost for Landfill Life Capacity update per estimate direction from Administration.

50-19 McLaren, Scarlett

THAT we authorize Pay List by Fund as of 28 Feb 2019; \$124,554.33 Grand Total. CARRIED

COMMITTEES

5. South River Machar Arena Generator Information for 2019 Budget Draft

Information intended to be available for last Council meeting received and reviewed. Additional funding avenue (Ontario Trillium Foundation) forwarded to Committee for consideration. Quote indicates delivery is 16-18 weeks from approval date. Machar deferred decision on budget at our last meeting and inquired on South River decision, South River also deferred to their next meeting which should be tonight. Arena meeting is tomorrow night. Machar preliminary budget information with all 2019 figures input as presented except for the OMPF (Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund) and Library which aren't known yet (last year amount and estimate used) is currently indicating a 7.29% overall levy increase. It was felt given the delivery time required and the installation window

of time available, that the Generator will likely be put over to next year which would allow the funding applications to be pursued. Committee has recommended the Budget draft with Generator. Committee can rescind that motion and pass a new motion to recommend the other Budget draft.

6. South River Machar Fire minutes of Mar 5, 2019, Resolution

Reviewed. Committee representatives requested as suggested by Administration the changes in the Establishing and Regulating By-Law be highlighted for review. The Fire Chief went through the by-law reading the new wording at Committee and provided Councillor Flowers with a copy of the existing by-law for comparison. The Fire Chief has requested and been provided the existing by-law number, but has not as yet provided the new draft to Administration. Budget discussed. Council were prepared to support the proposed 2019 Budget, however the motion recommends "in principal" *principle. As such, given the experience last year with the 2018 Budget in principle, we can't support the motion. The wording is unprecedented, doesn't happen in all other departments.

51-19 Flowers, Scarlett

THAT we support motions 20-22 and 25 in Fire minutes of Mar 5, 2019 as follows: adopt the minutes, Income Statement/AP Ledger, Fire Chief's Report, meet again on Apr 2...

FURTHER THAT motions 23 and 24 are deferred. CARRIED

a. Essentials Seminar invitation

Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection – A Decision Makers' Guide Seminar being delivered on Apr 2 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at the South River Machar Community Centre. Registration form required by Mar 26. Lunch and breaks if provided at a cost \$20 payment required on the day.

7. Eastholme, Home for the Aged Annual General Meeting Mar 20, 2019

Councillor Flowers will attend, Administration to RSVP.

8. Eastholme Board of Management Area 2 representative, Resolution

Letter received from South River Mayor Jim Coleman requesting reconsideration. Sundridge, South River and Machar each nominated a representative, so there was no majority achieved. Sundridge has rescinded their previous nomination and passed a new Resolution appointing Jim Coleman.

52-19 Flowers, Scarlett

THAT we rescind Resolution 245-18 nominating Councillor Blair Flowers as Area 2 representative to the Eastholme Board of Management,

FURTHER THAT we appoint Mayor Jim Coleman as Area 2 representative to the Eastholme Board of Management for the 2018-2022 Council term. CARRIED

9. Central Almaguin Planning minutes of Feb 20, 2019, Resolution

Mayor Carleton gave a report on the last meeting.

53-19 McLaren, Scarlett

THAT we acknowledge Planning minutes of Feb 20, 2019 as corrected. CARRIED

10. Joint Building minutes of Feb 21, 2019, Resolution

Reviewed. Councillor representative Wood was absent due to work so not able to clarify motion.

54-19 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we acknowledge Building minutes of Feb 21, 2019; excluding hiring a permanent part time Deputy Chief Building Official 24 hours per week. CARRIED

a. Permit summaries for Feb 2019

Reviewed, permit activity is currently slow likely due to the weather this winter.

INFORMATION

11. **Saugeen Shores Resolution regarding Recreation and Culture Capital Infrastructure Funding requests that the Government of Canada and the Province of ON move forward with accepting applications for funding under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to help address the Recreation and Culture Capital Infrastructure deficit that currently exists across Canada**
12. **Red Lake resolution regarding cuts to the Indigenous Culture Fund, reinstate the ICF's funding to \$5 million this year, retain all ICF staff positions, and commit to funding the ICF at this level in the years moving forward**
13. **NBay Parry Sound District Health Unit – Local Data shows 1 in 7 households are food insecure because they don't have enough money**
14. **NBay Parry Sound District Health Unit – Health Unit opens 20 year time capsule to relive public health history**
15. **AMO Communications – Local Planning Appeal Support Centre (LPASC) Wind Down as part of the fiscal management initiative of the Province, no longer be accepting new requests for client services, LPASC was put in place last year to help people understand the land use planning and provide some professional support to them on the appeal process, The Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) will continue its function as is – no change**
16. **AMO Communications – Government Announces New Health Care Plan developing an integrated patient care system intended to improve access to services and the patient experience by: seeing local health care providers organize themselves into coordinated teams (i.e. Ontario health teams) to provide services to patients; anticipates there could be 30 to 40 local health teams across the province, a structure that supports then in navigating entering, during and exiting the patient care system, 24/7, a central point of accountability and oversight for the health care system through Ontario Health, a single agency that focuses on achieving the integration, moving forward on access to secure digital tools, including online health records and virtual care options for patients, about improving patient-centred care through connected health care services not about restructuring public health , long term care home capacity is part of the solution to more hospital beds, re-emphasized the government's commitment to invest in building 30,000 long-term care beds over ten years and to establish a comprehensive and connected system for mental health and addictions treatment**
17. **AMO Communications – Taking Action for Universal Broadband Access AMO and ROMA representatives recently met with the responsible federal Minister to state the need for better, more accessible and affordable broadband access in Ontario, AMO supports FCM's campaign for universal broadband support in the next federal budget as a basic service in the 21st Century economy**
18. **AMO Watchfile Feb 28, 2019 In This Issue**
 - P.J. Marshall Awards - 2019 call for submissions.
 - AMO's 2019 Social Media Webinar series.
 - AMO Conference Early Bird registration open until March 1.
 - Register now for OSUM 2019 in Pembroke.
 - New council training opportunities.
 - Bill 68 - Are You Ready? Let's talk about your meetings.
 - Improve transparency through videos by adopting the right technology.
 - Wondering if a green energy project is worthwhile?
 - RETScreen tools for your 5-year Energy Plan.
 - LAS Helps: Self-Assessment for your Energy Plan!
 - LAS Blog: The Prudent Investor.
 - Our new look!
 - Survey on e-bikes and e-scooters in Ontario municipalities.
 - Careers with Niagara Region and Durham Region.
19. **AMO Watchfile Mar 7, 2019 In This Issue**
 - In memoriam: Wharton Duncan 'Rusty' Russell.
 - A digital meeting management and livestreaming solution.
 - Waste & Litter Discussion Paper out for comment.
 - Apply for Immigration Settlement and Resettlement Assistance Funding.
 - Wellness & Mental Health in the Municipal Workplace.
 - AMO's 2019 Social Media Webinar series.
 - Register now for OSUM 2019 in Pembroke.
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- Only 2 RETScreen Workshops to go!
 - Cut energy in your W/WW Treatment plants!
 - Summer is road and sidewalk season!
 - ONE Investment welcomes Portfolio Manager.
 - Careers with London and Brampton.
20. **FCM Voice – Let’s get Canadian moving/International Women’s Day/Reminder: Roll of Honour nominations, Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) program**
 21. **FONOM Northeastern Municipal Conference 2019 – Registration is now open May 8th – 10th, Sudbury, shaping up to be an exciting event with speakers and topics designed to appeal to new and seasoned municipal councillors as well as on issues important to Northerners, Conference tradeshow traditional Minister’s Forum**
 22. **Almaguin Adult Learning – March calendar Food and Finance offered in Powassan beginning on March 19, this is free 6 week program, held on Tuesdays, Safe Food Handlers and Smart Serve certifications are provided by this program, programming that we offer at our locations in Burk’s Falls, South River and Powassan improve their education levels, employability, or their independence**
 23. **Sprucedale Horticulture – Learn to grow indoors year-round hydroponically (in water) March 18 at the Sprucedale Community Centre**
 24. **Almaguin Highlands Seedy Saturday March 30, 2019 9 am to 1 pm, Sprucedale Community Centre, theme this year is “Feeling Pinched? Grow Your Own!” have different varieties of non GMO/hybrid seeds of various plants, flowers, vegetables and herbs**
 25. **Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce meeting notice – Tue, Mar 12 @ 5:30-8 pm, Caswells hosted by RBC Sundridge Branch; wsib, strategic plan and budget, RBC, Employment North**
 26. **Municipal World – Attributes of a functional council, Striving to be better, Respecting the trust of the voters, Standing in front of the crowd**

55-19 Scarlett, Flowers

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ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

Public Works packages and 2019 Budget Report distributed.

CLOSED SESSION

56-19 McLaren, Flowers

THAT we proceed into Closed Session in order to address a matter pertaining to; security of the property of the municipality or local board; personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; labour relations or employee negotiations; advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. Time 7:55 pm. CARRIED

57-19 Flowers, Scarlett

THAT we come out of Closed Session. Time 8:40 pm. CARRIED

ADJOURN

58-19 McLaren, Scarlett

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 25, 2019 or per Procedural By-Law. CARRIED

Mayor Lynda Carleton

Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT