

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 25, 2019**

Call to Order, Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof; Councillor Wood with respect to 5 on tonight’s agenda, as well as with respect to 3 (Fire) and 6 on Mar 11, 2019 agenda, due to being a member of a body, Section 2 (a) (iii) of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

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.

Guest scheduled: Kevin McLaughlin, Hockey Opportunity Camp. Guest observing: Cindy Ord.

Hockey Opportunity Camp

Owner attended to introduce himself and highlight his business; the camp has operated since 1966, utilizing the South River Machar Arena for 50 years, is a large taxpayer and employer in the Township, the hockey camp runs for 9 weeks in the summer, with a capacity of approximately 250 campers per week in 7 age groups and with 100 staff. The ice at the Arena is used 14 hours per day with 2 age groups at the Arena at once. The South River Machar Day Camp program is also hosted during the summer at HOC. Owner is concerned about the need for a generator for the ice at the Arena, advising calls to him from the Arena Manager indicated we came close to losing the ice last year during a power outage. Council expressed grants available are a priority and this is the 1st year pricing has been presented.

BUSINESS

1. Adoption of Mar 11, 2019 minutes, Resolution

59-19 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we adopt Mar 11, 2019 minutes. CARRIED

2. By-Law for Outdated Records, Resolution

Per annual process.

60-19 Flowers, McLaren

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 5-19; outdated Township records. CARRIED

3. Tree Canopy By-Law and Bill 68 HR policies, Resolution

Sourced from another municipality and questions answered.

61-19 Wood, McLaren

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 6-19; Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation Policy as required by the Province. CARRIED

Council Staff Relations policy is new per requirements, and includes existing Code of Conduct for Members of Council as well as Policy Against Workplace Violence and Policy for the Prevention of Harassment. Council Member’s Declaration of Pecuniary Interest forms have been distributed.

62-19 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we approve policies required by the Province as follows: Council Staff Relations, and Pregnancy Leaves and Parental Leaves for Members of Council. CARRIED

63-19 McLaren, Scarlett

THAT we amend Policy: Compassionate Leave to change a family member under this policy “shall” be defined as, to a family member under this policy “may” be defined as. CARRIED

COMMITTEES

4. Machar Public Works minutes of Mar 14, 2019, Resolution

64-19 Flowers, McLaren

THAT we accept Public Works minutes of Mar 14, 2019. CARRIED

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

Clerk Administrator contacted South River regarding wording of Committee motion.

65-19 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we support 2019 Fire Budget in the amount of our share \$174,895 reflecting a 5.1% increase, subject to overall Township budgetary requirements. CARRIED

6. South River Machar Arena minutes of Mar 12, 2019, Resolution

Discussion ensued on 2019 budget, generator, timeline, funding, and South River workload. Council really feel that a funding application should be pursued and that a 63.22% increase is just too large.

66-19 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we support 2019 Arena Budget in the amount of our share \$83,562 reflecting a 10.38% increase, subject to overall Township budgetary requirements,
FURTHER THAT we request South River apply for an Ontario Trillium Grant for the generator.
CARRIED

67-19 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we support motions 18-21 contained in Arena minutes of Mar 12, 2019 as follows: adopt the minutes, AP Ledger/Income Statement, Manager's Report, meet again on Apr 9... CARRIED

7. South River Machar Arena minutes of Mar 20, 2019, Resolution

Attachment reviewed; Ice Surface Rehabilitation Preliminary Budget Mar 2019: \$1,047,300 excl GST.

68-19 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we support motion 22 contained in Arena minutes of Mar 20, 2019 as follows: meet again on Apr 9... CARRIED

8. South River Machar Culture and Recreation minutes of Mar 12, 2019, Resolution

T-ball will likely not take place this year, soccer is a go, Committee will support a party that wishes to organize the Farmers Market, but it will no longer be an activity of the Culture and Rec Committee.

69-19 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we support motions 11-13 contained in Culture and Recreation minutes of Mar 12, 2019 as follows: accept the minutes, Income Statement, meet again on Apr 9... CARRIED

9. South River Machar Library minutes of Mar 20, 2019, Resolution

70-19 Wood, Flowers

THAT we acknowledge Library minutes of Mar 20, 2019; including 2018 Annual Report and 2019 Budget in the amount of our share \$29,254.87 reflecting a 2.65% increase, subject to overall Township budgetary requirements. CARRIED

10. District Social Services Admin area representative Mar 2019 Quarterly Report

Reviewed.

INFORMATION

11. **City of Quinte West Resolution – Bottled Water** will undertake a review/audit in 2019 of the City facilities to identify areas where the use of municipal water can be further optimized and the use of bottled water can be reduced or eliminated wherever possible
12. **Minister of Infrastructure** provide update about some important actions our government is taking to ensure we provide predictable, secure infrastructure funding to address community needs, while reducing the administrative burden on local governments
13. **FONOM Ontario Launches \$30 Billion Infrastructure Funding Program**, the first stream of the funding, the Rural and Northern stream, is open to cities and Indigenous communities with populations under 100,000, those communities, about 500 of them, will have eight weeks beginning March 18 to nominate road and bridge projects, the funding falls under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, the investing in Canada Infrastructure Program is a \$30 billion, 10 year infrastructure program cost-shared between federal, provincial and municipal governments, Ontario's share per project will be up to 33 percent, or \$10.2 billion spread across four streams: 1. Rural and Northern 2. Public Transit 3. Green 4. Community, Culture and Recreation
14. **AMO Communications** need to speak to the critical health and safety and technical merit, 7 percent for very small municipal governments (i.e. under 5,000 pop), save municipal staff time
15. **AMO Policy Update – Federal Budget 2019: Progress for Municipal Government; Federal Gas Tax Fund Top-Up**, a one-time \$2.2 billion. This will double Ontario's share of federal GTF in 2019; Funding for Rural and Northern High Speed Internet, goal of connecting all Canadians to high speed internet by 2030, this includes \$5-6 billion over the next ten years, the funding will leverage private sector investment; Municipal Energy Efficiency Funding, \$350M for grants and loans to municipal governments for energy efficiency in large public buildings, community and demonstration projects; Support for More Affordable Market Housing, Expansion of the Rental Housing Construction Finance Incentive to provide low interest loans to affordable rental construction projects, 2019 Federal Budget also includes energy efficient transportation; a new national pharmacare program; worker skills training
16. **AMO Watchfile Mar 14, 2019 In This Issue**
 - AMO's submission on Bill 68, *Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019*.
 - The top questions about digital signatures.
 - Consultation on regional government review.
 - OSUM Conference program features Minister Clark and André Picard.
 - Showcase at the AMO Conference - August 2019.
 - As a Member of Council What You Need to Know!
 - Land Use Planning: Beyond the Basics.
 - Last call for RETScreen workshops.
 - Wellness & Mental Health in the Municipal Workplace.
 - LAS Blog: The Sun is Setting on the LED Streetlight Program.
 - BPS Reporting Portal now open!
 - Durham Region resolution concerning Single-Use Items Reduction Strategy.
 - Careers with Lennox & Addington, Lakeshore and Hornepayne.
17. **AMO Watchfile Mar 21, 2019 In This Issue**
 - Development charges at risk.
 - Submit for the P.J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award by May 10.
 - The top questions about digital signatures.
 - Have your say - Waste & Litter Discussion Paper.
 - Call for applications for the Authorized Nominating Authority under the *Construction Act*.
 - Apply for Immigration Settlement and Resettlement Assistance Funding.
 - OSUM Conference program update.
 - It's Not Science Fiction - 2019 Risk Management Symposium.
 - AMO Conference exhibitor opportunities.
 - New councillor training.
 - Land Use Planning: Beyond the Basics.
 - NEW! Upcoming RETScreen workshop in Pembroke.
 - Wellness & Mental Health in the Municipal Workplace - May 29.
 - Energy reporting webinars from the Ministry of Energy.
 - Career Opportunities.
18. **FCM Voice: Our campaign for reliable Internet for all/Call for applications: CEDI (Community Economic Development Initiative) First Nation-Municipal Collaboration Program, Annual Conference 2019: Building Better Lives**
19. **FCM Voice: Federal Budget 2019/FCM Board charts part forward/Municipal branding takes centre stage in Ukraine**
20. **FCM - Nominations to FCM's Board of Directors**

21. FCM – Federal Budget 2019, Turing point for cities and communities, today’s budget delivers major results for Canadian directly through their local governments, we know what’s needed on the ground and we deliver cost-effective solutions that work, elevates this federal-municipal partnership as the way to build better lives for Canadians, growing next year’s core federal funding transfer to municipalities, implements urgent recommendations to close Canada’s rural Internet gap, Gas Tax Fund is the long-term, predictable federal funding stream, growing this transfer means better roads, bridges, transit, recreation centres and more, FCM’s Green Municipal Fund has directly financed more than 1,250 local sustainability initiatives, will mean everything from more energy-efficient homes to sustainable new recreation centres
22. Connex Ontario is an organization that is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, purpose is to serve as an access point to addictions, mental health, and problem gambling services/supports for people in Ontario, free and confidential, staff are available to live-answer calls and respond to emails and webchats 24/7/365, information to constituents who may need access, 1 800 531 2600 www.ConnexOntario.ca
23. AMO Events – Ontario Small Urban Municipalities 2019 Conference May 1-3 in Pembroke, Ontario, pleased to announce two portions of this year’s “Changing Landscapes”, Minister’s Address: Message from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Closing Keynote speaker: Andre Picard, Award-Winning National Health Writer
24. OMAFRA next application intake date has been announced for the Canadian Agricultural Partnership from March 22, 2019, until May 6, 2019, program covers over 40 different project categories, listing of project categories, cost-share percentages and cost-share caps can be accessed on OSCIA’s website at www.ontariosoilcrop.org
25. OMAFRA Rural Agri-Innovation Network (RAIN), a division of the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre, is now ready to present the North-Central Food and Agriculture Market Study at three Farm to Table Forums in Algoma, Manitoulin and Sudbury, Sudbury Farm to Table Forum Wed March 27th 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
26. OMAFRA on behalf of the ON Soil and Crop Impr Assoc Fuel Charge Exemption Certificate for Farmers, Ontario farmers: take action now to be exempt from fuel charge, starting Apr 2019, the federal carbon pollution pricing system will add a charge to everyday fuels for fuel delivered in Ontario for Air, Marine, Rail and Road use, ON farmers are eligible to receive an exemption
27. OMAFRA Co-op Grower’s Information Day Mar 28, 2019 in Verner
28. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Westwind Forest Stewardship Inc. (Westwind) and the Parry Sound Local Citizens’ Committees (LCC) would like to advise you that the 2019-2020 Forest Management Plan (FMP) for the French-Severn Forest has been approved by the MNRF Regional Director and is available for inspection, www.ontario.ca/forestplans
29. Municipal World - How building trust can generate value for a community; Strategies to unlock your “A” game; Building your community’s climate resilience; Five ways architects are enhancing communities across Canada; Generating sustainable economic & community benefits; If a tree falls in the forest – who pays for it?; OSLO’s drive to become Europe’s greenest city; New initiative offers free sustainable commuting programs Ontario-Wide; Building your cybersecurity dream team; Navigating organizational politics; A word from the editor; Governance zone; Civic academy; Curmudgeon’s corner; The reading room; Access & privacy zone; Coming events

ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

30. Provincial one time payment in the 2018-19 fiscal year to support small and rural municipalities to become more efficient and reduce expenditure growth in the longer term, intended to help modernize service delivery and reduce future costs through investments in projects such as: service delivery reviews, development of shared services agreements, and capital investments

Taxpayers deserve modern, efficient service delivery that puts people at the centre and respects hard-earned dollars. \$331,200 will flow to us, Council and staff need to consider how to spend.

CLOSED SESSION

71-19 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we proceed into Closed Session in order to address a matter pertaining to; security of the property of the municipal or local board; personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. Time 7:42 pm. CARRIED

72-19 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we come out of Closed Session. Time 8:01 pm. CARRIED

ELCA Blue Green Algae Public Information Session

Councillor Wood advised the session will be held Jun 8 at the Arena.

ADJOURN

73-19 Flowers, Scarlett

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to Confirming By-Law and that we adjourn until our Regular meeting schedule for Mon, Apr 8, 2019 or per Procedural By-Law. CARRIED

Mayor Lynda Carleton

Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT

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