

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR
MINUTES – TELECONFERENCE MEETING
Monday, April 20, 2020**

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: Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk Angela Loney

GUESTS

6:30-6:45 pm Marvin Nolan; Joint Services Agreements

Mr. Nolan expressed his concerns with the failure to re-new the Joint Committee Agreements between the Village of South River and the Township of Machar. Mr. Nolan was concerned that since his attending Council meetings for the first time, over a year ago, we have not been able to renew our agreement. Mayor Carleton confirmed that in Dec 2018 the Village had given a year's notice of their wish to dissolve the Committee Structure, and that the Township has spent this time asking them to reconsider. Recently the Mayors and Clerks had a teleconference meeting to iron out the needs of each municipality in order to come to a mutually beneficial committee arrangement. Mr. Nolan asked for clarification of approval process and expressed interest in next council meeting's further updates.

BUSINESS

1. Procedural & Authority By-Laws, Resolution

Council Wood would like the amendment to read: electronic meetings instead of teleconference in order to mirror the updated act.

57-20 Wood, Flowers

THAT we amend Procedural By-Law 4-14 in the event of an official emergency declared federally, provincially or municipally which may then permit teleconferencing by all members if required and for the purpose of quorum... CARRIED

58-20 McLaren, Wood

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No -20; to authorize the delegation to the Clerk Administrator, Treasurer Deputy Clerk or other delegates for certain acts during the provincially declared emergency (human emergency – pandemic). CARRIED

2. Adoption of Mar 9, 2020 minutes, Resolution

a. Explore South River inquiry update

Council is looking for confirmation if the proposed map has gone to print, admin to inquire.

59-20 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we adopt Mar 9, 2020 minutes. CARRIED

3. Property 1-103-10 inquiry review, Resolution

60-20 McLaren, Scarlett

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to By-Law No. 8-20 to remove a Holding (H) Symbol with respect to lands legally described as Con 2, Part Lot 10, Plan 42R-13353, Part 1 in the Township of Machar (1-103-10). CARRIED

4. South River reply on Committees, Shared Services Monthly Reports

Mayors and Clerks of the Township of Machar and the Village of South River met on Mar 17, 2020 via teleconference to discuss Committees of shared services. A tentative agreement was made to ensure a meeting at least every quarter for both Fire and Arena. CA of the Township of Machar to draft the updated agreement for review. Monthly Reports reviewed.

5. Pay List by Fund for Mar 2020, Resolution

61-20 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we authorize Pay List by Fund as of Mar 31, 2020: \$209,207.67 Grant Total. CARRIED

COMMITTEES

6. Machar Public Works minutes of Mar 12, 2020, Resolution

Landfill Summer Student position is undecided due to COVID-19 safety concerns. Public Works intends to work on some cemetery maintenance while the tenders are being discussed.

62-20 McLaren, Wood

THAT we accept Public Works minutes of Mar 12, 2020; including Parks and Cemeteries Tenders to be discussed with the contractor for adjusted time frame. CARRIED

7. South River Machar Medical Centre minutes of Mar 5, 2020, Resolution

Board approved lighting upgrade. Councillor Scarlett supported the initiative base on halogen lights being phased out, replacements will be hard to find.

63-20 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we support motions 1-3 in Medical Centre minutes as follows: adopt the minutes as amended (\$600.00 to 600 sq. ft.), accept the Cost Analysis from Premise for installation of new lights...total fixtures are \$7,562.57...cost of labour...is \$5,600, adjourned until Apr 21, 2020... CARRIED

8. South River Machar Fire; firefighter appointment, Resolution

64-20 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we support recommendation of Fire Chief Risto Maki for the appointment of Seppe Maes as a volunteer firefighter, subject to support by the Village of South River. CARRIED

9. Burks Falls efforts of the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee

Admin to confirm previous participation. TDC confirmed 2 of 5 \$500 annual contributions have been made towards replacement of the Ontario Telemedicine Network equipment, so far untouched as NE LHIN provided one-time funding for the equipment.

10. Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce caring for our Almaguin Highlands Community, this is the perfect time to shop local, please like our Facebook page, follow on Instagram and twitter

A note could be posted on the website encouraging residents to "Shop Local".

11. Joint Building Permit Summaries for Mar, Covid-19 Operational Changes, Resolution

Building permit applications are currently being accepted, however no inspections services are provided on residential construction work associated with a building permits issued after Saturday, April 4, 2020.

64-20 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we accept Building Permit Reports for Mar 2020. CARRIED

12. Central Almaguin Planning will not be meeting until further notice, office hours reduced

INFORMATION

13. **City of Sault Ste. Marie;** Resolution encourages the Province to continue to support the principle of planning on a watershed basis in the ongoing review and prioritize the allocation of adequate funding to support the core mandate of conservation authorities while preventing any downloading of costs to municipalities
14. **Norfolk County;** Norfolk County Council is working to address significant issues that have come to our attention regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands; Ministry's updated mapping related to PSWs, the County updated its Official Plan to bring its policies in line with the new mapping, the County planning staff introduced a Zoning By-Law amendment to update the zoning to reflect the new mapping and to provide consistency between the Zoning the Official Plan
15. **Grey County;** Resolution supports the excise exemption for 100% Canadian wines; and that, the County of Grey appeals to the Federal government to ensure the exemption remains in place by reaching an agreement with Australia prior to the WTO ruling
16. **Centre Hastings;** Resolution supports the important role Conservation Authorities provide to local communities in delivering watershed management programs
17. **MPAC;** As part of the Ontario Government's Economic and Fiscal Update on Mar 25, the Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, announced the Province's decision to postpone the 2020 Assessment Update, the provincial government has indicated that property assessments for 2021 taxation year will continue to be based on the fully phased-in Jan 1, 2016 current values (i.e., the same valuation date in use for 2020 taxation year)
18. **Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs;** The administration of the Line Fences Act (Act) has transitioned from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), as OMAFRA is tasked with specifically supporting agriculture and rural affairs in Ontario, it makes sense for the administration of this Act to be the responsibility of the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
19. **Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry;** Ontario is taking action to protect people and property by strengthening the province's preparedness for flooding; Ontario has released Protecting People and Property: Ontario's Flooding Strategy; The Strategy introduces a series of new and enhanced actions that will help Ontario better prepare for, respond to, and recover from significant flood events; You can also visit updated webpage, ontario.ca/floods to find emergency preparedness information, including safety and flood mitigation tips for homeowners
20. **AMO;** Ontario's Flooding Strategy Released – Five key areas for action: 1. Understanding Flood Risks 2. Strengthening Governance of Flood Risk 3. Enhanced Flood Preparedness 4. Enhance flood response and recovery 5. Invest in Flood Risk Reduction; Clear direction that all governments and conservation authorities need to work in greater collaboration; Reliance on structures to mitigate flood hazards has not been as successful as originally intended, as a result, municipalities are called on to evaluate approaches and standards, this will include maintaining wetlands, increasing permeable surfaces, enhancing resiliency through building infrastructure in anticipation of extreme weather events, and stormwater/wastewater management and reporting; develop a national action plan to assist homeowners with potential relocation for those at the highest risk of flooding; will require municipal governments: to alter practices for where or under what circumstances development is allowed, including avoiding hazard lands, to alter expectations of developers to better manage stormwater, maintain wetlands, increase permeable surfaces and require low impact development, to be more stringent with development which may result in some landowners being frustrated, to evaluate storm and wastewater management
21. **AMO Watchfile Mar 12, 2020 In This Issue**
 - COVID-19 update.
 - Reminder - AMO President's call for Blue Box resolutions.
 - Call for submissions: The P.J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award.
 - Main Street Revitalization Initiative coming to an end.
 - Managing Occupational Health & Safety easily and effectively.
 - eSCRIBE Lite: A digital meeting management solution for small municipalities.
 - Excess Soils/Brownfield webinar - back by popular demand.
 - Registration now open for OSUM 2020 Conference: *Spring Time in Paris*.
 - The AMO 2020 Conference is fast approaching!
 - Showcase your products at the AMO Conference - August 2020.
 - Only 1 session remaining in AMO's popular social media webinar series.
 - BEACON Digital Therapy - Innovative mental health care support.
 - Municipal cybersecurity best practices development - EVENT CANCELLED.

- Carbon tax one year later.
- Spring is coming, are your culverts ready?
- Facilities maintenance equipment webinar: Municipal Group Buying Program.
- Resolution concerning violence against paramedics and health care workers.
- Careers with AMO, World Council on City Data, Lakeshore and Guelph.

22. AMO Watchfile Mar 19, 2020 In This Issue

- COVID-19 update.
- Social Media in a Crisis webinar available free.
- AMO President's call for Blue Box resolutions.
- BEACON Digital Therapy - Innovative mental health care support.
- Cancellation Notice: OSUM 2020 Conference: *Spring Time in Paris*.
- AMO Conference planning responds to COVID-19.
- Showcase your products at the AMO Conference - August 2020.
- Only 1 session remaining in AMO's popular social media webinar series.
- LAS Blog: COVID-19 - What it Means for AMO and LAS.
- Facilities Maintenance Equipment webinar: Municipal Group Buying Program.
- Capital Purchasing webinar: Municipal Group Buying Program.
- ONE Investment - HISA rate update.
- MEPCO Board meeting update.
- County of Renfrew - Service Delivery Improvement Project RFP.
- Careers with Bruce County and Burlington.

23. AMO Watchfile Mar 26, 2020 In This Issue

- COVID-19 related proceeding suspensions.
- COVID-19 resources.
- AMO Podcast: Discussing meetings with electronic attendance.
- AMO Podcast: Communication guide for councils.
- AMO Virtual Panel: Guidance for electronic meetings.
- New AMO COVID-19 resource available.
- Main Street Revitalization Initiative project extensions and final report.
- Register for Blue Box Program update webinar - April 8.
- BEACON Digital Therapy - Innovative mental health care support.
- OSUM Annual Conference update.
- 2020 AMO Conference.
- Cancellation deadline extended for exhibitors to July 6 in response to Covid-19.
- Municipal Group Buying Program webinar: Capital Purchasing.
- Municipal Group Buying Program webinar: Procurement.
- ONE Investment - HISA rate update.

24. AMO Watchfile Apr 2, 2020 In This Issue

- COVID-19 resources.
- AMO communications and virtual attendance at council meetings webinars.
- Remote electronic meetings.
- Peter J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award - Accepting submissions until May 1.
- Reminder to register for Blue Box Program webinar - April 8.
- Notarius electronic signatures: Business 5 promotion.
- Extension of *Aggregate Resources Act* posting on Environmental Registry.
- 2020 AMO Conference.
- Cancellation deadline extended for exhibitors to July 6 in response to COVID-19.
- OSUM Annual Conference update.
- ONE Investment: New website and HISA rate update.
- An easy way to reduce facility operating costs.
- Who wants to go on an Energy Treasure Hunt?
- This week's LAS Blog: The Pollinators - A Superhero Story.
- Municipal Group Buying Program webinar: Capital Purchasing & Sourcewell.
- Municipal Group Buying Program webinar: Procurement.
- Career with City of Brantford.

25. AMO Watchfile Apr 9, 2020 In This Issue

- COVID-19 resources.
- AMO Communications and Virtual Attendance at Council Meetings webinars.
- Main Street Revitalization Initiative final reporting extensions.
- AMO 2020 Conference.
- Cancellation deadline extended for exhibitors to July 6 in response to COVID-19.
- AMO's popular social media webinar series available through Municipal Education.

- Municipal Group Buying Program webinar: Procurement.
 - Upcoming ONE Investment webinars: April 15 and 16.
26. **FCM Communique;** Releases Budget 2020 recommendations – Focused recommendations for rural communities, released comprehensive roadmap of recommendations for this parliament, that roadmap stands, submission is a focused subset of those proposals that we believe the government could practically move on now – including ones tailored to the realities of rural communities: Support rural mobility solutions by ensuring permanent public transit funding includes a stream that can support rural needs, plus additional support for regional bus systems, Continue to expand funding for rail safety, with a focus on upgrading level crossing, Empower smaller communities to adapt to climate extremes by eliminating project-size minimums from an expanded Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund, Prioritize high-speed Internet access by engaging communities directly in the launch of the Universal Broadband Fund
 27. **FCM Communique;** FMC targets upcoming federal budget; Celebrating International Women’s Day 2020; FCM’s board meeting wraps up in Saint-Hyacinthe; New guide: Preparing for 5G deployment in your community; Awards to showcase your sustainability initiative
 28. **FCM Communique;** Nominations to FCM’s Board of Directors, for more information, contact at elections@fcm.ca or 613-907-6245
 29. **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry;** Inspection of Approved 2020-2021 Annual Work Schedule Algonquin Park Forest (Apr 1, 2020 – Mar 31, 2021)
 30. **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry;** Inspection of Approved 2020-2021 Annual Work Schedule French-Severn Forest (Apr 1, 2020-Mar 31, 2021)
 31. **Minister Steven Clark;** Ontario Strengthening Protections for Tenants and Landlords; The proposed amendments to the Residential Tenancies Act, 2006, Housing Services Act, 2011 and Building Code Act, 1992 are part of the following: More Homes, More Choice: Ontario’s Housing Supply Action Plan, Community Housing Renewal Strategy, Transforming the Delivery of Building Code Services
 32. **Ministry of Energy, Northern Development & Mines;** Canadian Agriculture Partnership Funding Programs – Open Now, For more information visit: <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/index.htm>
 33. **Ministry of Energy, Northern Development & Mines;** Applicant’s Guide for Applying for Crown Land for Agricultural Purposes in N. Ontario – <https://www.ontario.ca/page/applicants-guide-applying-crown-land-agricultural-purposes-northern-ontario>
 34. **Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs;** A new greenhouse funding program from OMAFRA, categories and objectives – Production & Market Development, Biosecurity, Environment https://adaptcouncil.org/uploads/program_uploads/pT48-gcii-phase-ii-program-guide.pdf
 35. **Ministry of Energy, Northern Development Branch;** Calendar of International Trade Program and Events <https://www.ontario.ca/tradecalendar/search?from=2020-03-12&sort=asc>
 36. **Ministry of Energy, Northern Development Branch;** Tourism Industry Association of Ontario Stakeholder Survey Request <https://www.tiaontario.ca/cpages/home>; Take Part in our COVID-19 Survey of Industry https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GP_J8NGS
 37. **OSUM Communications;** The 2020 OSUM Conference is being held in Brant County Apr 29 to May 1 at the Towne Place Suites Brantford and Conference Centre; Closing Keynote: Chris Turner, Expert on Sustainability, Climate Change, Cleantech and the Global Energy Transition
 38. **Destination Canada;** provides intelligence, tools and resources that help the Canadian tourism industry reach international markets, tourism funding news, free online training
 39. **TrailTalk Apr 2020;** Do something great...at home! Tips for mindful walking on the Great Trail of Canada, How Canada and the world are inspiring each other
 40. **Municipal World Mar 2020;** Making magic in Coquitlam Parks, When is a highway more than a highway, Keeping Canada's shorelines safe, Smart city parking technology

INFORMATION: COVID-19

41. **Town of Kingsville;** Resolution regarding Electricity Billing during COVID-19 to provide hydro billing relief during the quarantine period, the billing relief requested is in addition to the government’s recent suspension of time of use rates, would like to acknowledge and thank the Province for their work that effectively provided for the hydro rate relief on Mar 24, 2020 that Kingsville and many others were seeking during these challenging times
42. **Town of Midland;** Resolution urging the Prime Minister of Canada to direct the payment of federal funds to municipalities to waive property taxes for the year 2020 to alleviate the suffering from Covid-19 Pandemic

43. **Planning Act Changes Coming;** Coronavirus (Covid-19) Support and Protection Act that will enable public meeting process to proceed for Planning Act applications
44. **ENDM (Ministry of Energy, Northern Development & Mines);** Ontario's Action Plan, Responding to Covid-19, NOW Program Flyer (Program for Women Entrepreneurs), Funders Covid-19 Summary Week 2; Emergency Loan Program, Small Business Loans, Fednor Internship...
45. **Minister of Municipal Affairs;** knows that an increasing number of municipalities are responding to the Covid-19 outbreak by diverting resources to essential services, instructing non essential staff to work from home and suspending in person meetings, appreciate that the current situation is not business as usual and that meeting statutory timelines associated with decisions on planning applications can be difficult, if not impossible, intends to introduce legislation to allow for the suspension of specified timelines associated with land use planning matters...
46. **North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit;** Update on COVID-19 – The risk to individuals for COVID-19 in the Health Unit's district remains low, for individuals who attended the Prospectors & Developers Association of Canada Conference, held between Mar 1 and 4, 2020, it is recommended that you monitor your health; Employers are encouraged to use the World Health Organization's guidance for getting your workplace ready for COVID-19, encourage and support employees who attended PDAC to work from home and to visit myhealthunit.ca/COVID-19 for more information
47. **North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit;** Preparing for COVID-19, as of Mar 5, 2020, 45 cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Canada, 22 in Ontario, with zero cases in the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit's catchment area; The Public Health Agency of Canada has assessed the public health risk associated with COVID-19 as low for Canada; For more information on what to include in your preparedness kit visit www.myhealthunit.ca/emergencykits
48. **North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit;** Public Service Announcement – Restricted Visitor Access to Long-Term Care Homes
49. **Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare;** has put visitor restrictions in place during this uncertain time of the Covid-19 pandemic, complimentary best wishes service to get a message delivered to their bedside through a form on website www.mahc.ca/BestWishes/
50. **Almaguin Highlands Chamber of Commerce further updates on support for Canadian businesses; Temporary Income Support for Workers and Parents, Longer-Term Income Support for Workers, Support for Businesses, Supporting Canadian Business through the Canada Account, Helping Businesses Keep their Workers, Flexibility for Businesses Filing Taxes**
51. **AMO Policy Update;** Queen's Park Update – Much Activity and New Legislation of Municipal Interest – COVID-19 Update; Extension of Public Health Mitigation Funding to 2021; 2019-20 Ontario Gas Tax for Transit Allocations Announced; Bill 184, Protecting Tenants and Strengthening Community Housing Act, 2020; Bill 175, Connecting People to Home and Community Care Act, 2020
52. **AMO Policy Update;** Ontario Releases Covid-19 Projections and New Emergency Orders under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA), assumptions are stark, however they also suggest that distancing measures and other actions take, including those managed by municipal governments across the province, have been effective to manage the virus' spread
53. **AMO Covid-19 Update Week 3;** working hard to assist its member municipal governments in every part of the province, it has been a difficult week in communities everywhere, with many important develops in Ontario, keeping Covid-19 webpage current and focusing on what's most relevant
54. **AMO Covid-19 Update;** as we enter week 4 of the Covid-19 emergency, AMO continues to bring critical municipal issues to the province in real time seeking immediate and practical resolutions to manage during the emergency, now in the depths of public health action to flatten the curve and know that many communities are dealing with difficult local challenges, revised list of essential services, seasonal trailer parks, help to serve vulnerable persons, future work, with the focus and possible reassignment of duties to Covid related tasks, it is impossible for some municipal governments to meet deadlines, when restarted, should allow for a reasonable recovery period, municipal governments continue to deliver what is essential to our residents and business, a credit to both Councils and staff, you are public service at its finest
55. **AMO Covid-19 Update;** New Covid-19 Related Items you Need to Know, Ontario Cannabis Stores can temporarily offer curbside pick up and delivery, further suspension of Noise By-laws
56. **AMO Covid-19 Update;** Recovery, since the onset of the Covid-19 emergency AMO has recognized the fundamentally important and indispensable role of municipal government in the recovery that will follow, government has created a Cabinet committee to develop a plan for post pandemic growth and prosperity, this emergency has shown all of us what is possible when all orders of government and all parties collaborate to get the job done, thank you to members for the incredible work you are doing to respond to the emergency and to begin the recovery, to municipal Councils

for your leadership in tough times, and to the extraordinary municipal public servants, from administration to the frontlines of the emergency and recovery, thank you

- 57. AMO Covid-19 Update;** New Emergency Orders, extension of all Ontario Emergency Orders until Apr 23, Temporary Health Care Structures for Covid-19, Construction Act Payment Suspension Revision, Child Care Operators prevented from Charging Fees while closed
- 58. AMO Covid-19 Update;** Bill 189 Coronavirus Support and Protection Act 2020 receives Royal Assent, the Province extended the Declaration of Emergency under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act for a further 28 days to May 12, this extension was made to help stop the spread of Covid-19 and protect the health and safety of Ontarians, Planning-suspends specified timelines for applications, Development Charges-ensures that municipal governments can continue to use their existing development charge by-laws, Police Services Act-municipalities had previously been mandated to complete Community Safety and Wellbeing Plans by Jan 1, 2021, due date will no longer apply, Solicitor General will establish a new deadline by regulation at a future date
- 59. AMO Covid-19 Update;** Action Plan for Long Term Care Homes Released and Planning Update, intended to reduce the unintentional spread of Covid-19 which officials believe may be caused by the movement of staff among different care environments, including aggressive testing, screening and surveillance for staff and residents (both symptomatic and asymptomatic), managing outbreaks and spread of the disease including providing public health and infection control expertise and additional training and support to current staff, growing the long term care workforce which includes redeploying staff from hospitals and home and community care, an employee who works at a long term care home cannot work at another health service provider or a retirement home, workers must inform each of their employers that they are subject to this order by Apr 17, long term care providers must ensure that any employee of their home is not performing work elsewhere, update on Bill 189 New Planning Act timelines, allows for temporarily suspending specified timelines for development applications during Covid-19, allows those municipalities who want to proceed with planning applications to do so, while allowing those that are not in a position to proceed to redirect efforts to dealing with the Covid emergency without fearing appeals for missing deadlines, the timelines would return to normal once the emergency ends
- 60. AMCTO Legislative Express;** Municipal Implications of Covid-19, the global Covid-19 pandemic has forced a disruption to normal operations worldwide with workplaces needing to adjust the way they conduct their business, on Mar 25 the Ontario government released its fiscal update, Ontario's Action Plan 2020: Responding to Covid-19, would bring the provincial deficit to \$20.5 billion
- 61. FCM Voice;** Responding to COVID-19; Making reliable Internet for all a reality; Promoting active transportation; Nominations to the 2020 FCM Roll of Honour; Nominations now open for the Ann MacLean Award; Learning journey: Climate resilience and asset management; Celebrating the launch of the Network of Locally Elected Women of Tunisia; Report: Water management trends in Canadian municipalities
- 62. FCM Communique;** Major announcement: wage support for local business, the Prime Minister announced new steps that will deliver more relief to the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, this time to local businesses in our cities and communities, the centrepiece is a federal commitment to cover 75 percent of wages for qualifying business, retroactive to Mar 15, this provides a critical lifeline to small-and medium-sized businesses-and the Canadians they employ-during the pandemic, Local businesses are the backbone of our communities, for a growing number, this could be the difference that keeps people on payroll, supporting their families, and ready to drive Canada's economic recovery
- 63. FCM Voice;** Covid-19 keeping essential services going strong, as the pandemic unfolds millions of Canadians are depending on municipalities to keep essential services running, and many are taking extraordinary measures for residents, including our most vulnerable
- 64. FCM Communique;** Driving rural priorities in Ottawa, so much respect for your tireless efforts through the Covid-19 crisis, right across the country, FCM team is engaging key departments, agencies and senior decision makers, working flat out to secure firm commitments from the federal government to support municipalities with operating losses incurred as a result of Covid-19, looking ahead when the time is right, municipalities will have an opportunity to help lead Canada's recovery, we're the order of government closest to people's lives
- 65. FCM Voice;** Covid-19 big push on financial support for municipalities, it's been another week of unprecedented challenges and remarkable municipal leadership, you are working hard to keep vital services running and residents supported
- 66. FCM Communique;** CERB (Canada Emergency Response Benefit) expands, new support for rural frontline workers, retro to Mar 15 allow people to earn up to \$1,000, extend to seasonal workers

who have exhausted their EI and are unable to undertake their regular seasonal work as a result of the Covid-19 outbreak, unable to find a job or return to work because of Covid-19, CERB provides up to \$2,000 every 4 weeks for those who've lost jobs or cannot work due to Covid-19 whether they're sick, quarantined or caring for dependents at home

ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

FONOM letter from Armour to Premier Doug Ford Re: Restricting seasonal residents from travelling to their cottages

Mayor Lynda advised it be put on the agenda for Monday, April 20, 2020.

Ontario Power Generation freshet update Apr 20, 2020

"Currently, and up to this point, the weather has been conducive to a slow melt, and snow data is indicating that the snow melt is complete across the South River basin. While we cannot rule out a strong freshet, the short term weather forecasts have been encouraging."

South River Lions Club Community Project

Councillor Wood suggested the Village of South River may approach Council, in the future, in regards to a Machar resident working with the South River Lions Club to build a Skate Park in the Village.

ADJOURN

66-20 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, Apr 27, 2020. CARRIED

Mayor Lynda Carleton

Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk Angela Loney

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