

**TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, September 10, 2018**

Call to Order, Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof; Deputy Mayor Ron McLaren with respect to agenda item 2 due to his business.

Council present: Mayor Lynda Carleton, Deputy Mayor Ron McLaren, Councillors Blair Flowers, Bart Wood and Neil Scarlett. Staff present: Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, Superintendent of Public Works Stephen Scarlett. Guest observing: Cindy Ord.

BUSINESS

1. Aug 27, 2018 minutes, Resolution

167-18 Scarlett, Flowers

THAT we adopt minutes of Aug 27, 2018. CARRIED

a. Registration for Municipal Assoc Fall meeting

Hosted by the Township of Seguin in Orville on Sep 21. Agenda provided this evening. All 5 Council available to attend. Agenda package to be forwarded when received.

2. Pay List for Aug 2018, Resolution

168-18 Wood, Flowers

THAT we authorize Pay List by Fund as of 31 Aug 2018: \$131,025.69. CARRIED

An update on the progress of the Eagle Lake Road project was provided by the SPW; surface treatment scheduled to start tomorrow, guard rails at Black Creek, extra work to be done in the Spring. Scarlett Rd surface treatment completed. Landfill driveway surface treatment still to do.

COMMITTEES

3. South River Machar Fire minutes of Sep 4, 2018, Resolution

Councillor Flowers has requested a report on the Pumper interest discrepancy expressing the figures don't seem reflective of the market interest rate changes experienced. Councillor Scarlett referred discussions at Committee expressing that we'll pay exactly what we owe, we're contractually obligated to pay actual up to a budget of \$166,344. Discussions ensued on Committee recommendations back to Council. Councillor Flowers expressed when motions at Committee are opposed, a stalemate is encountered and Councillor Scarlett expressed the only way to move the matter forward at Committee meetings which have been lengthy, is to agree to bring the motion back to Council for discussion, which is what's been done and it's within Council's authority to not support a Committee motion, as South River has done for Arena. Councillor Wood expressed a motion supported by members at Committee, should follow through to support at Council. Councillor Scarlett indicated and Mayor Carleton agreed that discussion at Council may introduce new information which can affect the outcome of the Committee motion at Council approval level. Letter of support requested by the Fire Chief regarding Mandatory Firefighter certification has been sent, South River is considering it tonight. CA noted 3 items in the Sep 4, 2018 Committee minutes and correct information: 1) Fire permits from Machar are being mailed to the wrong address – the mailing address has been confirmed, 2) The (fire) budget was first passed at Committee level and then not tabled at 3 Machar Council meetings – Committee minutes recommending budget on Dec 5, 2017 are tabled at Machar Council meeting on Dec 11, 2017, 3) Doug Sewell voiced his concern that resolutions from Committee are not being tabled at Council – motions at Committee are recorded in the minutes, and the Committee minutes come forward to Council. The next Committee meeting has been rescheduled to Sep 25, 2018. Sep 4, 2018 minutes will be up for

Committee review and adoption on Sep 25, 2018. CA to forward information to Councillor Scarlett. SPW confirmed we can remove Fire Hazard Sign at the 4 corners as requested.

169-18 Scarlett, McLaren

THAT we support motions 39-42 as contained in Fire minutes of Sep 4, 2018; adopt the minutes of Jul 31, Income Statement/AP Ledger, Fire Chief's Report, adjourned to meet again on Sep 25, 2018 at 6:00 pm... CARRIED

4. Almaguin Clerks Group; Integrity Commissioner RFP deadline Sep 24

Proposal is for group of 12 municipalities, submission deadline is Mon, Sep 24, 2018 at 3:30 pm.

5. Central Almaguin Planning minutes of Aug 15, 2018, Resolution

170-18 Wood, McLaren

THAT we acknowledge Planning minutes of Aug 15, 2018. CARRIED

6. Joint Building Committee; Strong reply to cost analysis proposal of combining shared services for Building and By-Law Enforcement for municipalities willing to participate in By-Law

Strong supports the recommendation in principle provided the By-Law Enforcement Service continues to serve only 4 municipalities. JBC is administered by Strong. Cost analysis for shared service on that basis will be interesting for review (JBC is 7 municipalities).

7. Joint Building Permit Summaries for Aug, Resolution

171-18 Scarlett, Wood

THAT we accept Building Permit summaries for Aug 2018. CARRIED

Permit activity at Aug 31, 2018 = 93 (Strong highest at 23), compared to Aug 31, 2017 = 110.

8. BACED (Burks Falls and Area Community Economic Development) excited to announce upcoming Many Villages, One Voice-An Evening with Roger Brooks special event, will be held at the Armour, Ryerson and Burks Falls Memorial Arena on Oct 11, 3 seats available, public launch of the Almaguin Highlands Regional Economic Development Plan (RED) Plan

Mayor Carleton may be available to attend Many Villages, One Voice on Oct 11. Almaguin RED Plan Council presentations, 3rd session added on Sep 26 at Strong. It was noted that we have withdrawn from CAEDA (Central Almaguin Economic Development Association) which has joined BACED and we continued to be included in BACED communications. Council remains committed to our own economic development priority; improving internet. No one to attend RED.

- a. Ministry of N Dev and Mines that the N Communities Investment Readiness (NCIR) program was officially launched for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year, applications accepted until Nov 30, 2018, projects must be completed by Mar 15, 2019, up to \$10,000 for an individual community or up to \$10,00 per community in a partnership project, example of projects include: Investment related workshops and training, Investment readiness strategy development (community asset inventory, SWOT analysis, gap analysis), Infrastructure requirements studies, Site selection information development, Investment priorities identification and/or Development of community profiles**

Informational, we've already sourced funding for Asset Management, Eagle Lake Rd, etc.

INFORMATION

9. N Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; Harmful Algae Bloom in Lynx Lake (previously known as Groom Lake in Kearney), for further details on location contact the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks Spill Action Centre 1-800-268-6060

10. **FONOM media release wishes to thank Mayor Al Spacek for his many years of leadership and dedication as President, new officers are President Danny Whalen, 1st Vice President Mac Bain, 2nd Vice President Paul Schoppmann, Mayor Spacek will service as Past Pres to Dec 1**
11. **AMO news release FONOM Pres appointed to the 2018-2020 AMO Board of Directors**
12. **AMO Watchfile Aug 23, 2018 In This Issue**
 - AMO Resource - Cannabis Legalization and Supporting Youth In Our Communities.
 - Clearview Township wins AMO Gas Tax Fund Award for public transit project.
 - Town of LaSalle wins AMO Gas Tax Award for water meter replacement project.
 - Town of Innisfil receives Innovation Award for new approach to transit.
 - City of Vaughan receives Innovation Award for new approach to service contracts.
 - Careers with East Gwillimbury, South Nation Conservation and Haldimand County
13. **AMO Watchfile Aug 30, 2018 In This Issue**
 - Ontario municipalities lead the way with Digital & Electronic Signatures.
 - Announcing the 2019 Councillor Training Workshops.
 - Getting the most out of Facebook.
 - Managing trolls, negative comments & really angry people.
 - Grants still available for your Road & Sidewalk Assessments.
 - Aging infrastructure can hit people where they live.
 - Careers with Durham Region, Ottawa and Niagara Parks.
14. **AMO Watchfile Sep 6, 2018 In This Issue**
 - Announcing the 2019 Councillor Training workshops.
 - Getting the most out of Facebook.
 - Managing trolls, negative comments & really angry people.
 - Media relations and social media orientation for new councils.
 - What to look for in natural gas retail contracts.
 - Upcoming LAS facility lighting webinar.
 - Rural Ontario Institute seeks partners for municipal internships.
 - Careers with Clarence-Rockland, York Region, Bruce County and Parry Sound.
15. **AMCTO Advocacy Update to reduce unnecessary reporting**
16. **AMCTO Legislative Express Sep 4, 2018; New Government Briefing, Introducing a new model for Cannabis Distribution, Halting the implementation of Policing Reforms, Ending Cap and Trade, Launching an audit of Government spending, Looking forward-new Government's impact on Local Government, Cannabis can be sold legally as of Oct 17, 2018 Survey of Canadian CAOs released, AGCO extends Catch the Ace Pilot, Voterlookup.ca available, AMCTO list of Integrity Commissioners...**
17. **OPSEU (ON Publ Serv Empl Union) Communications; letter from Warren (Smokey) Thomas re choice in public/private cannabis stores, writes regarding Premier Ford's rash decision to restrict cannabis sales to private retailers, considers another assault on the finances and independence of ON municipalities, should be able to ask for ON Cannabis Stores, existing LCBO outlets could be retrofitted, a matter of public safety, urges you to speak**
18. **SNAPP Grant; Sustainable New Agri-Food Products and Productivity Program opens Aug 27 and goes until Oct 26, supports N ON agriculture and food producers, businesses, collaborations, communities and First Nations to create new products, enhance abilities for season extension, enhance productivity, and adopt clean technology to support improved environmental performance while fostering growth, assistance will be in the form of a conditional contribution at \$5,000 at 75% cost share towards the purchase of equip for eligible activities, 3 or more entities up to \$15,000, for more info www.rainalgoma.ca/snapp/**
19. **ON Heritage Trust is calling for applications to the 2019 Doris McCarthy Artist-in-Residence program, located at Fool's Paradise, McCarthy's former home on the Scarborough Bluffs, provides accommodation and studio space where artists can concentrate, residencies are available throughout 2019 from 1-3 months, supported by RBC, deadline Sep 30, 2018**
20. **Municipal World Sep 2018; The Demise of Rural Banking, New Forms of Creative Expression in Public Libraries, Red Deer Getting Ready to Host the Nation, Planning for the Future in Canada's Mid-Sized Cities**

17 discussed, no action.

ADDITIONAL/ROUND TABLE/NOTICE OF MOTION

N Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit; Harmful Algae Bloom in Lake Bernard (release, Sep 6, 2018).

Councillor Wood noted phragmites are still being cut late in the season in Lake Bernard. Approximately 40% were cut in the ELCA effort for Eagle Lake earlier this summer.

Curling Club

CA referred a request from the South River Curling Club for a renewed letter of support to accompany an application for funding, per that provided last year. Council agreed.

CLOSED SESSION

172-18 Scarlett, 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 7:21 pm.

173-18 Wood, Scarlett

THAT we come out of Closed Session. Time 7:48 pm. CARRIED

ADJOURN

174-18 McLaren, Wood

THAT we give 1st, 2nd, 3rd and final reading to Confirming By-Law and that we adjourn until our Regular meeting scheduled for Mon, Sep 24, 2018 or per Procedural By-Law. CARRIED

Mayor Lynda Carleton

Clerk Administrator Brenda Paul, AMCT

BP.