April 17, 2014
COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, April 17, 2014 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

Present-
Councillor Joe Florent
Councillor Dave Harper
Councillor Sid James
Councillor Linda Thom
Councillor Bill Rodnick
Councillor Richard Shalla

Staff- Harold Luckasavitch Clerk Treasurer
Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent
Carla Gatley, Administrative Assistant-Recording Secretary

Regrets- Mayor Jane Dumas

Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 14-086**
"To appoint Bill Rodnick to chair the meeting of April 17, 2014 in the absence of Mayor Dumas."
-Carried-

Councillor Rodnick called to order the April 17, 2014 Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin at 7:02 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Unfinished Business- Outgoing correspondence

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. # 14-087**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the agenda as circulated and amended for the regular Council meeting of April 17, 2014."
-Carried-

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS: None

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
Moved by: L. Thom **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 14-088**
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of April 3rd, 2014 as circulated."
-Carried-

Moved by: L. Thom **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 14-089**
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the special meeting of April 9th, 2014 as circulated and amended."
-Carried-

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- Councillor James inquired if a letter had been sent to the Ministry of Natural Resources pertaining to parking facilities at the dock; and if so if there has been a response. The Clerk-Treasurer replied that a letter has been sent recently but no response yet.
- Councillor Thom inquired if a sink has been ordered for the Madawaska Complex. Discussed in Works Department report.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Councillor Florent informed council that he received a copy of a letter from Minister Sousa in response to Randy Yakabuskie's letter regarding donations to fire departments. The Minister's letter stated that the township could issue receipts.

- Councillor Shalla questioned the Clerk-Treasurer on a letter that was sent to the Ministry of Natural Resources on Feb. 28, 2014. The Clerk-Treasurer replied that the letter was sent as directed after the teleconference meeting with the Ministry of Natural Resources dealing with spring flooding.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS, STAFF AND/OR COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

Fire Report- Whitney:

Fire Chief Brian August verbally reported:

- Had 15 call outs last year including one structure damage of $170,000.00; four medical calls; one carbon monoxide call.
- Had a call recently for a small shed fire, no value yet on structure.
- Has had a few problem call outs-calls that were not in our jurisdiction.
- Attended Fire Conference meeting in North Bay.
- School's fire safety plans need to be re-done.
- Had some issues getting water in the tanker truck with the dam icing up.
- Questioned Works Superintendent about new health and safety course. Works Superintendent informed: course is a new awareness program that is taken on the Ministry of Labour website. There is no charge; takes about 45 minutes; a certificate is printed at the end of the course; there is a worker and a supervisor course.
- Anyone involved in the lighting of fireworks has to take a course.
- New tanker is running well, has radio installed as well as a back-up camera which was donated.
- Annual Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast will be on Sunday, May 11th.
- A fire extinguisher was donated.

Fire Report- Madawaska:

Fire Chief Aurel Thom verbally reported:

- Three Captains took the MNR Wildfire and Strategies course.
- Need new certification to approve fire plans; on-line course that needs to be completed by January 2017.
- Attended Fire Conference in North Bay; all presentations will be supplied to attendees electronically.
- Fire departments have to meet NFPA standards now, will cost about $1,200.00 for all required books. Will be added to budget.
- Had a problem call to a retirement home in Renfrew.
- Gets calls to adjust thermostat in his office when the hall is rented.

Fire Chief August left.

Roads Report

Works Superintendent, D. Gatley provided a written report:

Progress:

- Begin to address bridge repair planning from engineer's reports.

Roads:

- Fire meter signs have been installed for the season.
- Winter Sand Sweeping- Two tenders were returned with the mechanical sweeping alternate bid only. No tenders for the vacuum sweeping alternate were received. One of the vacuum sweeping companies has offered to do work for the township by the hour.

Spring Flooding:

- Major Lake Rd – A blockage at kilometer 9 was cleared April 14. The blockage was caused by beavers.
- McGuey Rd – A deteriorated and partially blocked culvert has caused water to pass over the road that has resulted in erosion of the granular surface. The road has been coned to direct traffic to the safest route to pass. An attempt was made to clear the blockage; however the condition of the culvert did not allow its entire clearing. As the road is still flooding any attempt to restore to surface with granular will result in it being washed into the creek. The drainage path eroded across the road is stable at this time and is being monitored. Should the road become unpassable an emergency culvert replacement strategy has been planned.

- Old 127 – Significant flooding across a large section of the entire road has forced a temporary closure of most of the road. A road grade that is lower than the top of the culvert draining into Poverty Lake along with beaver damming in front of the bridge are contributing factors.
- The driveway at #400 has partially washed out with erosion damage extending across Old 127. The area is warning coned and access to the driveway is still possible. The washout has occurred due to severe under sizing of the culvert relative to the stream flows.
- Madawaska St – Erosion of the granular surface has occurred. Flow through existing culverts is not sufficient to prevent the breaching of the causeway during spring runoff conditions.
- McKenzie Lake Rd – Stream flows coming from Princes Lake have flooded about 100 metres of road forced a temporary closure of the affected section. The culvert at #1426 is undersized and is not installed at the correct elevation to accommodate spring runoff flows.
- North McKenzie Lake Rd – A deteriorated and frozen culvert west of #581 caused significant erosion of the granular surface and sub base. The frozen blockage was cleared. The road has been coned to direct traffic to the safest route to pass. The condition of the culvert is such that temporary repair of the erosion may result in a complete failure causing the road to be impassable.
- The driveway at #502 has washed out and is impassable. The washout has occurred due to under sizing of the culvert relative to the stream flows.
- Several washouts have occurred throughout the township and temporary repairs have been made on a priority basis. Numerous storm drainage deficiencies have been observed and documented throughout the township. Information is being collected to carry out improvements to shouldering, culverts, ditching and storm water storage capacities.

Equipment:

- The loader is in need of repair. Estimates on repairs and a new loader will be provided.
- Truck #7 & #8 – Plow gear has been removed and trucks prepared for summer use.
- Truck #20 – The sand spreader has been removed and stored.
- Volvo Grader – The plow gear has been removed.
- Brusher Grader – Further progress has been made to begin maintenance and Service work.
- Service of spreaders and plow equipment will be done shortly to make ready for the 2014-15 season.

Facility:

- Multi Use Building – We have a quote of $568.00 plus HST for a commercial grade pot sink.

Health and Safety:

- Compliance – The majority of Works Dept. staff has completed the new mandatory "Safety Awareness" training.

Waste Collection and Disposal:

- Review of the proposed Household Waste Collection Calendar.

There was a break from 9:30 p.m. to 9:35 p.m.
Councillor James did not return to the meeting.
Fire Chief Thom did not return to the meeting.

Administration Report:

Clerk-Treasurer provided a written report:

- Spoke with Paul Shalla regarding the submitted application for the Work Permit for the swimming area. He advised that all was in order; waiting for approval.
- Auditor's report will be submitted to Council by the Auditor at the May 15th meeting.
- Final copy of Official Plan should be available for the public around the middle of next week.
- Presently waiting for pricing on the generator for the Multi Use building. Previous pricing on a 130kw single phase propane was $26,743.00 from Generac and $41,900.00 from Welk Electric. In both cases this does not include, installation, wire, conduit, the mechanical work, the digging or the HST.
- Received a call from John Foster of Jewell Engineering; was advised that they received another contract for bridge work in Algonquin Park. He advised that this new contract will take approximately 8 months to complete which will take the rent of the building into next year.

- Spoke with the Building Inspector; he advised he would be willing to renew his contract to the end of October.
- Sold Truck #4, Garbage Compactor.

Recreation Report - Madawaska:
Councillor Florent verbally reported:

- Recreation would like the new bathroom and change rooms at the Madawaska beach area to be separate rooms or at least separated with proper ventilation.
- Clarified with council if it was okay for recreation committee to keep the donation given for a funeral held at the Madawaska Complex on March 22nd.
- Fire meetings have been changed from the third Monday of each month to the second Tuesday; because of the conflict Councillor Thom will be the new councillor representative for the recreation committee.
- Was contacted by a business owner asking about the possibility of getting a defibrillator. Mayor Dumas will inquire with the District of Nipissing Social Service Administration Board.

10. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items- reviewed and filed

- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing-Application for consent.
- CEMC-EMO meetings 2014-scheduled meetings for May 21st and June 18th
- John Yakabuski-Spring bear hunt.
- Madawaska Public School Parent Council-Use of hall.
- Madawaska Public School-Use of hall.
- Ontario Parks-Algonquin Park forest operations for 2015-2020 -filed.

11. CORRESPONDENCE Information Items- reviewed and filed

12. NEW BUSINESS: None

13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:

Moved by: D. Harper Seconded by: R. Shalla Res. # 14-090
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin endorses the resolution received from the Town of Penetanguishene requesting a moratorium on all school closures in rural Ontario Municipalities until such time that an administrative process on accommodation reviews is completed by the Provincial Government."
-Carried-

Moved by: L. Thom Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 14-091
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the request received from Madawaska Public School for free use of the Hall at the Multi Use Complex on June 25th, for Graduation /Celebration night."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 14-092
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves the Severance Application for Consent, 48-C-145436, received from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, with the understanding that it conforms to the Township of South Algonquins Official Plan, which was signed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on January 30th, 2014. Council also authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer to complete the Consent Questionnaire received from the Ministry."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla Seconded by: D. Harper Res. # 14-093
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin endorses the request received from John Yakabuski, MPP for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke, requesting support to the government's proposed changes regarding a spring bear hunt in some communities in Northern Ontario, and further that anywhere there is an active bear population, the local municipal government ought to have the ability to respond to the concerns of their residents by requesting that the hunt be extended to include their jurisdiction, if they deem it necessary."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 14-094
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin declares June 1st to June 30th, 2014 as Seniors Month."
-Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: L. Thom** **Res. # 14-095**
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the request received from Madawaska Public School Council for the free use of the Hall at the Multi Use Complex on May 21st, if required."
-Carried-
Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. # 14-096**
"Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin accepts the Winter Sand Sweeping Tender, #2014-01 submitted by J & A Trucking at a rate of $69.00 per hour plus H.S.T."
-Carried-

15. BY-LAWS:

First Reading	**Moved by: L. Thom**	**Seconded by: D. Harper**	**Sess. #14-097**
Second Reading	**Moved by: D. Harper**	**Seconded by: J. Florent**	**Sess. #14-098**
Third Reading	**Moved by: J. Florent**	**Seconded by: R. Shalla**	**Sess. #14-099**

"Being a by-law for establishing and maintaining a system for the collection, removal and disposal of garbage, waste, and other refuse in the Township of South Algonquin, also this by-law when passed rescinds former By-Law 06-261, as reported by the committee of the Whole be read a third time, passed and numbered 14-454 and that the said by-law signed by the Mayor and Clerk-sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be entered in the By-Law Book."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: L. Thom** **Res. # 14-100**
"To accept the proposed Township of South Algonquin Household Waste Collection Calendar effective April 28, 2014 to October 31, 2014."
-Carried-

Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: L. Thom** **Res. # 14-101**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the payment of all bills as recorded and presented for the meeting of April 17, 2014, Batch number 2014-00024 - 2014-0026 in the amount $95,514.16."
-Carried-

14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None

Moved by: L. Thom **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #14-102**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of April 17, 2014 at 10:56 p.m."
-Carried-

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Mayor Jane Dumas Clerk- Harold Luckasavitch