



**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

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

**November Inspection Report for Madawaska Fire Station and Mervin Dupuis Building**

- Staff has been working on the items listed in the written report. The container for the defibrillator has been delivered and the rink attendant has been instructed to mount it on the wall. Staff will ensure that the Material Safety Data Sheets are located in an accessible location.

**South Algonquin Public Library**

- Board recommendations for cleaning allowance, wage increase and capital expenditures will be brought forward during budget deliberations.

**M& L Recreation Committee**

Councillor Thom verbally reported (written report filed)

- \$2500.00 will go towards 2016 capital budget.
- 2016 fundraised dollars (except Trivia Night dollars) will be used towards purchasing a play structure for J.R. Booth Park (possibly in 2017).
- Request to angle the Madawaska Complex sign; Staff will investigate and relocate accordingly.
- Funding is available through the Jump Start Program for children that require hockey helmets. Staff to investigate and bring more information to the committee.
- Shingles for the Mervin Dupuis Building should be included in the 2016 budget.
- Funds allocated in 2015 for the raft was redirected to the cost of the change room.
- Lights at the entrance of the Madawaska Complex need to be adjusted to turn on earlier in the evening; Staff to look at the timer.
- Both Whitney and Madawaska Rinks have been registered for the Festival of Outdoor Rinks.

**Madawaska Fire Department**

Monthly fire report was provided in the council package by Fire Chief, Aurel Thom.

Fire Chief Thom verbally reported:

- Staff to contact Bell Canada to inquire why some 9-1-1 calls from cell phones are not directed to North Bay CERB.
- Issues with the Madawaska pagers have been addressed.

**Whitney Fire Department**

Fire Chief August verbally reported:

- 1 EMS assist this month.
- Carbon dioxide and smoke detectors that have 10 year lithium batteries are for sale for residents.
- Annual safeties have been conducted and necessary repairs completed on all Whitney fire trucks.
- Two lights have been installed on two of the Whitney fire trucks. These lights are very

bright and will be a great safety feature.

- Upgrades/repairs to the communication building is required; the township owns a lot of the equipment in the building but not the building.
- One minor repair is required to the Communication Tower and the Contractor needs to service.

### **Building Department Monthly Report**

A written report was provided in the council package by CBO/By-Law Enforcement Officer – Michael Anderson

CAO/Clerk Treasurer, S. Klatt verbally reported:

- Municipal Property Assessment Corporation will be starting to assess sea-cans/storage containers over 200 sq. ft.

### **Whitney Recreation Committee**

Councillor Shalla verbally reported:

- Works Superintendent, Dave Gatley attended a committee meeting and it was much appreciated.
- A new sign has been installed and the cracked glass in the door has been replaced.
- Christmas events have been finalized.
- The decision to make helmets mandatory for hockey or broomball was well received by the committee. They await input on how it will be monitored.
- 2016 budget will be forwarded to office staff soon.
- Scheduled sporting events are ongoing until the rink opens for the season.

### **Administration**

A written report was provided at the table by CAO/ Clerk-Treasurer S. Klatt.

Verbally discussed:

- Council packages will be ready for pick-up on January 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.
- WSIB rates have increased by 8%; based on the merit adjustment table, due to no claims in 2015 and the municipality's participation in programs and surveys, we have been allowed an 8% reduction which means our rates will remain the same as 2015.
- MHBC Planning Ltd. is preparing a report for Council to summarize the planning meeting and council considerations as it pertains to zoning.
- Deputy Clerk advised all staff that the next pay will not be deposited on a Wednesday due to the holiday season and provided them with dates to ensure they plan accordingly.
- Ontario Aboriginal Housing have been contacted to request the hazardous trees on one of their properties be removed. Staff to look at additional trees that can be removed on the road allowance in that area.

### **Roads**

Verbally discussed:

- Discussed the LED street light installation project. There were concerns of missed lights. Staff can monitor installations and the progress on the website that was provided from Realterm Energy.
- Staff investigated a report of damage at the Madawaska Complex.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**-Action Items

- Madawaska Fire Department, RE: Structure of the Fire Departments, reviewed and filed.
- Madawaska Valley District High School, RE: The Madawaskan 2015-2016, resolution
- Craig Kelly, Township of Madawaska Valley, RE: Rural Healthcare, reviewed and filed.
- Ministry of Energy, RE: Two Initiatives, reviewed and filed.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE** -Information Items – Reviewed and filed

- Renfrew County and District Health Unit, RE: Quit Smoking Contest
- AMO, RE: POA Default Fees
- C.B Pappin, RE: Algonquin Land Claim
- Hon. Bob Chiarelli, Ministry of Energy, RE: Bill 135
- Jennifer Layman, Forward Thinking, RE: Festival of Outdoor Rinks
- Chris Fullerton, RE: Senior Funding
- Chris Fullerton, RE: Recreation Funding

**12. NEW BUSINESS:** None

**13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: J. Brown**

**Seconded by: D. Harper**

**Res. # 15-298**

“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin agrees to support the year book initiative at Madawaska Valley District High School and will place the same advertisement as last year and also directs staff to order two year books one for each library.”

**-Carried-**

**14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS:** None

**15. BY-LAWS:**

*First and Second Reading*

**Moved by: J. Brown**

**Seconded by: J. Florent**

**Res. # 15-299**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to repeal By-Law #2004-216 and to continue to provide for the appointment of two(2) Fire Chiefs for the Township of South Algonquin and that it be read a first and second time and be referred to a committee of the whole council.”

**-Carried-**

*Third Reading*

**Moved by: R. Shalla**

**Seconded by: L. Thom**

**Res. # 15-300**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to repeal By-Law #2004-216 and to continue to provide for the appointment of two(2) Fire Chiefs for the Township of South Algonquin as referred by the committee of the whole council and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered **15-495** and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk Treasurer-sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be entered in the By-Law Book.”

**-Carried-**

