February 18, 2016 COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, February 18, 2016 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

Present- Mayor Dumas Councillor John Brown Councillor Joe Florent Councillor Bill Rodnick Councillor Richard Shalla Councillor Linda Thom Staff- Suzanne Klatt, CAO/ Clerk –Treasurer Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent Carla Gatley, Deputy Clerk-Recording Secretary Fire Chief John Stubbs

Regrets- Councillor Dave Harper Fire Chief Aurel Thom

2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: J. FlorentSeconded by: J. BrownRes. # 16-040"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as
circulated for the regular Council meeting of February 18, 2016."-Carried-

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS: None

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by: J. Florent

Seconded by: L. Thom

Res. # 16-041

"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 4, 2016 as circulated and amended." -Carried-

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer has called the insurance company regarding Invoice #13-04 for Fire Cost Recovery; company has agreed to re-open the file.

-Mayor Dumas will prepare a report for the next council package regarding the federal prebudget consultation meeting attended in Cobden with Cheryl Gallant.

<u>8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>:

-The ventilation system at the Whitney Fire Hall needs to be addressed immediately.

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

Whitney Fire Department

Monthly fire report was provided in the council package by Fire Chief, John Stubbs.

Madawaska Recreation

Councillor Thom verbally reported: -The Valentine's Day Dance profited over \$900.00.

Administration

A written report was provided in the council package by CAO/ Clerk-Treasurer S. Klatt.

<u>Roads</u>

Works Superintendent D. Gatley verbally reported:

-The Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change has provided a favorable review of the Madawaska Landfill Site "2014 Annual Report" and the "2014 Water Quality Report" with respect to groundwater impacts as they relate to expansion.

-The new streetlight on Hwy. 523 has been wired and Hydro One will turn it on soon. -Whitney Recreation members have agreed to run the canteen two days a week for now.

10. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items

- The City of Greater Sudbury, RE: OPP Search and Rescue Helicopter, resolution
- FONOM, RE: Broader Investment Powers, resolution
- Township of Wainfleet, RE: Resolution Requesting Cancellation of RFP for Added Wind • Power Generation, resolution
- Shred It, RE: Quote, filed
- AMO Communications, RE: LAS Town Hall Sessions, resolution
- Municipal Finance Officers' Association, RE: Asset Management Assistance, the CAO will make inquiries to determine if the municipality would benefit in participating with this program.
- Canadian Heritage, RE: Canada Day Grant, confirmation successful application, will • receive 3,000 grant
- Emily Tieu/MOECC, RE: Technical Support Groundwater Review, filed •
- Upcoming AMO On-Line Courses, filed

<u>11. CORRESPONDENCE</u> - Information Items

12. NEW BUSINESS:

-The Mayor and the Deputy Clerk will have a brief meeting on February 25th with two gentlemen from Index Energy.

13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:

Moved by: J. Brown Seconded by: R. Shalla **Res.** # 16-042 "WHEREAS Council recognizes the need to develop a community based strategic plan for the future economic development of the community;

AND WHEREAS the project is to be undertaken in partnership with Brock University and **OMAFRA**:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation for the Township of South Algonquin grant authority to the CAO/Clerk Treasurer to sign the letter of agreement between Community Futures Development Corporation (CFDC) of North & Central Hastings and South Algonquin Township which outlines that CFDC will make a non-repayable contribution to the Township of South Algonquin toward 50% of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$3,400 whichever is the lesser amount."

-Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: R. Shalla

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of South Algonquin approve the Works Superintendent to attend the AMCTO conference in Niagara Falls June 13-15/2016." -Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: J. Brown **Res.** # 16-044 "Motion to allow Scott Gorgerat use of the Madawaska Rink for approximately 2 hours from 9 to 11 pm on Friday Feb. 26, 2016. Council agrees to waive rental fee.'

-Carried-Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: R. Shalla "WHEREAS in April of 2015 the OPP search and rescue helicopter was redeployed from

Sudbury to Orillia; **AND WHEREAS** Orillia is located in a snow belt and helicopters are allegedly not always able to fly in an emergency as a result of the weather conditions;

AND WHEREAS many areas in the North can only be accessed by air in a more timely manner; **AND WHEREAS** faster response times can mean the difference between life and death;

AND WHEREAS results of a review of the decision to move the OPP search and rescue helicopter from Sudbury to Orillia have not yet been made available and the helicopter remains in Orillia;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin respectfully requests that the Premier Kathleen Wynne and Minister of Community and Correctional Services Yasir Abbas Naqvi, expedite the return of the OPP search and rescue helicopter to the Sudbury Airport to better serve the needs of the Northern Communities;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Yasir Abbas Naqvi, Minister of Community and Correctional Services."

-Carried-

Res. # 16-043

Res. # 16-045

Moved by: J. Florent

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin Supports the attached resolution received by the Township of Wainfleet requesting that the Province of Ontario exercise its rights in Section 4.13(12) of the current LRP to cancel the process at any stage and for any reason and not issue any new wind generation contracts." -Carried-

Seconded by: J. Brown

Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Florent "BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves the Deputy Treasurer to attend the free information session offered through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario-LAS Town Hall Session in Bancroft on April 6, 2016." -Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla

Seconded by: J. Florent "WHEREAS the approved Library Board Meeting Minutes of November 30th, 2015 which were received on February 9, 2016 recommend a wage increase for the Madawaska Librarian;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Township of South Algonquin approve that the Librarian's wage reflect a move from Step 1 to Step 3 of the wage grid;

AND THAT it be retroactive to January 1, 2016."

-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla Seconded by: B. Rodnick **Res.** # 16-049 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves that the Treasurer do a General Ledger adjustment to transfer \$6,000(rent from GD Jewell-office space) from the General Bank Account to the Fundraising Account and allocated for the "Raise the Roof"

AND THAT it be accrued to 2015."

-Carried-

Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: R. Shalla

"WHEREAS municipalities are required to invest their reserves in accordance with the Municipal Act/ 2001 and Ontario Regulation 438/97 (as amended), which specifically outlines allowable investments;

and WHEREAS to ensure the sustainability and sound stewardship of the municipality's investments, the municipality is of the opinion that changes should be made to the Municipal Act, 2001 and Ontario Regulation 438/97 (as amended), to allow for the prudent investment of reserves, if those investments are professionally managed and part of a broader investment strategy:

and WHEREAS the Prudent Investor Standard is an industry accepted best practice in effectively managing a portfolio of investments, and the Standard applies to investments, not in isolation, but in the context of the portfolio of investments and as part of an overall strategy, that should incorporate acceptable risk and return objectives suitable to the stakeholders;

and WHEREAS the Province is conferring "Prudent Investor" status on the City of Toronto to enable greater diversification in portfolio management,

and WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Local Authority Services (LAS), and the Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ontario (MFOA)/ have long requested that the Prudent Investor Standard apply to all municipal investments that are invested with The One Investment Program;

and WHEREAS in 2005, municipalities were granted the ability to invest in longer-term corporate bonds and Canadian equity investments via only the One Investment Program, and the One Investment Program has demonstrated strong investment returns for municipalities within these /new' investment sectors;

and WHEREAS the institutional portfolio managers utilized by the One Investment Program recommend that the Prudent Investor Standard approach is a more appropriate approach to investing:

and WHEREAS operating municipal investments under the Prudent Investor Standard is precluded by the Municipal Act, Eligible Investments, in its current form;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the request of AMD/ LAS, and MFOA to amend Ontario Regulation 438/97 (as amended) of the Municipal Act/ 2001, to allow municipalities to invest consistent with the Prudent Investor Standard, if such investments are through the One Investment Program."

-Carried-

<u>14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS:</u>

-Councillor Florent- Motion to petition Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to end wolf hunting ban in townships bordering Algonquin Park, April 7, 2016 council meeting.

Res. # 16-046

Res. # 16-047

Res. # 16-048

Res. #16-050

15. BY-LAWS: FIRST and SECOND READING Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: J. Brown "BEING A BY-LAW to provide for an Interim Tax Levy and to provide for the payment of taxes and that it be read a first and second time and be referred to a committee of the whole

council."

-Carried-

THIRD and FINAL READING Seconded by: B. Rodnick Moved by: B. Rodnick **Res.** # 16-052 "BEING A BY-LAW to provide for an Interim Tax Levy and to provide for the payment of taxes as referred by the committee of the whole council and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered **16-498** 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-

Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: L. Thom **Res. #16-053** "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 February 18, 2016 Batch 2016-0014 for \$11,374.04 included in the Council package and Batch 2016-0017 for \$10,607.56 (presented at the table)." -Carried-

Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Florent **Res.** # 16-054 "That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of February 18, 2016, at: 8:55 p.m." -Carried-

The next council meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Jane Dumas

Suzanne Klatt, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Deputy Clerk Carla Gatley Recording Secretary

Res. # 16-051