

July 3, 2014

COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, July 3, 2014 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

Present- Mayor Jane Dumas
Councillor Joe Florent
Councillor Dave Harper
Councillor Linda Thom
Councillor Bill Rodnick
Councillor Richard Shalla

Staff- Suzanne Klatt, CAO/Clerk -Treasurer-Recording Secretary
Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent

Regrets: Councillor Sid James

2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- By-Law #14-463

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: D. Harper

Seconded by: B. Rodnick

Res. # 14-184

“That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the agenda as circulated and amended for the regular Council meeting of July 3, 2014.”

-Carried-

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS: None

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by: B. Rodnick

Seconded by: L. Thom

Res. # 14-185

“Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of June 19, 2014 as circulated and amended.”

-Carried-

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- CAO/Clerk-Treasurer has to submit the OFM community profile online. Chief August is preparing the form that will include both the Madawaska and Whitney data on one report to facilitate submitting it on-line.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- CAO/Clerk Treasurer notified MMAH (Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing) and was advised Council does not need to have a resolution regarding the existing marriage solemnization services in place.

9. COMMITTEE, STAFF AND/OR COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

Whitney Recreation Committee

- Canada Events went well and were well attended. There was one injury during the ball tournament where the ambulance had to be called. There was discussion regarding the fence where the injury occurred and staff updated council on the pictures and inquiries that were done and proposed modification to the fence at the Whitney Ball Field.
- There was one disturbance during the dance and the Ontario Provincial Police were called and the individual was charged accordingly.

Administration Report:

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, S. Klatt provided a written report including:

- Craig Davidson assisted today to update OPTA with our capping and tax rates, the wage grid, the job descriptions and reviewed some taxation by laws. He also updated the taxation systems tax rates.

- Privy for Madawaska Beach- I will pursue the Ministries to inquire what permits are still required to build the change room in the meantime, we can rent a privy for this location for \$500 from now until Sept 1.
- Issues with problem dogs in Madawaska.
- Received a request to provide fire coverage under a user fee premise.
- June 28th –injury at ball diamond-insurance has been notified with relevant information and Works Superintendent and employees to investigate and recommend if modifications to the fence are required.
- June 28th –issue with disruptive attendee at Lester Smith–OPP called.
- Hy-Tec Alarm Systems notified –MFD still has one zone still not working. All codes of former employees cancelled; CAO and Works Superintendent to have access codes for all buildings.
- Attended the breakfast meeting at St. Francis Memorial Hospital–Council received a plaque for our continued support. At this meeting, it was decided a joint approach to the Minister of Health regarding funding requirements and formulas should be done.

Roads Report

Works Superintendent, D. Gatley provided a written report including:

- Summer student has been hired.
- The Brusher has completed work in Whitney and is progressing towards the east end of the Township.
- Deficiencies and suggested repairs of the Algonquin Street Bridge.
- Rain that began June 24 has caused delays in the application of Calcium Chloride. To date five of the usual eight loads have been applied. A sixth will be applied tomorrow and the remaining two next week.
- Rain has also caused numerous small washouts along shoulders of the roads. Repairs will be made when time permits.
- Grass cutting continues with the new part time employee and student playing a major role.
- #9 Brusher – The drive axle has been repaired and the machine is back in service. The mechanic recommends that we keep the machine on the road and away from the shoulder. A new approach to the Townships roadside brushing requirement will be explored.
- The pot sink and faucet has been installed at the Multi Use Building. A lockout mechanism for the exterior propane valves has been looked at and is available.
- Investigated issue with AC/Heating system in the Medical Centre/Library. Investigation revealed that dissimilar metals were used in the domestic pressure system resulting in partial and certainly eventual complete failure of the system. A quote for the correction of the deficiency is underway.
- Discussed storage and placement of floating dock at the Whitney Beach.
- The summer student has received the mandatory Safety Awareness training, initial WHIMS training, read and signed off on safety & Township policy. He is currently being supervised and trained on the job by a senior employee as directed by the Work Superintendent.
- A departmental memo will be circulated shortly regarding training only being carried out with approval of the Works Superintendent detailing the time, place and trainer.
- Airy Landfill Site – The new trench is being used and has capacity for approximately 2,200 plus cubic metres of waste and cover material.
- Despite efforts bears are destroying household waste collection bin lids at an alarming rate. The unplanned purchase of new lids is required. Alternatives are being explored.

10. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items

- The Administrative Assistant is asked to contact Steve Knott, Fire Chief from the Town of Petawawa to get some tentative dates for a meeting with Council to discuss the costs and options of implementing 911.
- The CAO/Clerk Treasurer is instructed to send a letter to Bell Canada granting permission to remove the payphone at Centennial Park.

THAT By-Law #2014-463 Being a By-law to amend By-Law #12-433 in reference to per diems, travel allowances, Council remuneration and employee Personnel Policy, be given third and final reading and that it be passed and numbered 14-463 this 3rd of July 2014 and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk-Treasurer and be sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and entered in the By-Law Book.

-Carried-

Moved by: B. Rodnick

Seconded by: L. Thom

Res. #14-193

“That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of July 3, 2014 at 8:58 p.m.”

-Carried-

Mayor Jane Dumas

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Klatt