October 16, 2014
COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, October 16, 2014 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

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

Staff- Sue Klatt CAO/ Clerk -Treasurer
Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent
Carla Gatley, Deputy Clerk-Recording Secretary

Guest- Fire Chief Aurel Thom

2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Moved by: D. Harper Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 14-257
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the agenda as circulated for the regular Council meeting of October 16, 2014."
-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: D. Harper Res. # 14-258
"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of October 2, 2014 as circulated and amended."
-Carried-

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:
Discussion on review of the Procedural By-Law early in 2015 to include changes to the format of the agenda pertaining to the order of business.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

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

Madawaska Fire
Fire Chief Aurel Thom gave a verbal update which included:

- Fire truck #534 was in for repair work
- Attended Hoarding Seminar on October 25th
- Called to a car accident on October 28th

- Free banners were ordered from OFM
- Went to the Madawaska Public School for Fire Prevention Week Education
- Firefighter Collins is ready to help staff prepare Standard Operating Guidelines
- Carbon monoxide detectors are now mandatory in all Ontario homes

Mayor Dumas
Gave a verbal report pertaining to meetings attended regarding Physician Recruitment & Retention and Casselholme Home for the Aged.

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

Roads
A written report was provided by Works Superintendent D. Gatley.

There was a short break at 8:30 p.m.

Councillor Thom and Fire Chief Thom did not return to the meeting.

10. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items
- George Weston Limited, Use of the Madawaska Landfill Site, filed
- Madawaska Valley District High School, Ad in Yearbook
- Municipality of Hastings Highlands, Letter of Support
- Volunteer Postgraduate Geomatics (GIS) Project Opportunity
- Maple Leaf Snow Skimmers, Memorandum of Understanding
- North Eastern Treasurers' Forum

11. CORRESPONDENCE Information Items

12. NEW BUSINESS: None

13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:
Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: R. Shalla Res. # 14-259
"That Council for the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the CAO/Clerk Treasurer to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs granting permission to legally enter, establish, groom, maintain, sign and use a portion of the premises owned by the municipality in Lyell, Part Lot 12, 13, Concession 13."
-Carried-
Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: R. Shalla Res. # 14-260
"That Council for the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the CAO/Clerk Treasurer to gather more information pertaining to the Volunteer Postgraduate Geomatics (GIS) Project Opportunity program offered through Brock University, under the direction of Chris Fullerton. This program includes undertaking a volunteer consultative project for the municipality which could benefit both the continued development and review of the official plan and the 911 system."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: B. Rodnick** **Res. # 14-261**

"That the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin agrees to place a ½ page ad in the Madawaska Valley District High School yearbook and that staff order a copy for each library and that it be requested the invoicing not be payable until 2015."

-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: B. Rodnick** **Res. # 14-262**

"That Council for the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the Deputy Treasurer to attend the Northeastern Treasurer Forum on November 5th and 6th in Sudbury ON."

-Carried-

Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. # 14-245**

"WHEREAS The Annual Report submitted to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario by the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario minimizes the impacts to wood supply from the recent Lightening the Footprint in Algonquin Park exercise, and implies that logging could be abolished from the Park within a decade without any jobs being lost

AND WHEREAS two communities in South Algonquin, and seven communities in Renfrew County have substantial employment related to the forest industry and wood processing facilities that receive a significant portion of wood volume from Algonquin Park. Many of these businesses are multi-generational, with the longest running in its 7th generation, and are heavily invested in the sustainability of forestry in Algonquin Park;

AND WHEREAS over 2,700 jobs are directly associated with wood harvested from Algonquin Park and an additional 8,000 jobs are indirectly associated with the support of these activities;

AND WHEREAS approximately 40% of wood volume harvested from Algonquin Park is delivered to Renfrew County wood processing facilities; and over 20% in South Algonquin with the remainder to Huntsville and North of Algonquin Park.

AND WHEREAS logging has occurred in Algonquin for over 180 years, in harmony with the protection of other forest values, and continues to be a thriving ecosystem that almost one million people visit annually to enjoy;

AND WHEREAS sustainable forest management on Crown land goes hand-in-hand with maintaining ecological integrity, is science-based, heavily scrutinized and monitored for compliance to rules and regulations by the Algonquin Forest Authority, Algonquin Park and Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, also an Independent Forest Auditor, and in the case of Algonquin Park, a third-party certification system;

AND WHEREAS forestry in Algonquin Park ensures that ecosystem processes limited through human intervention (e.g. fire suppression) are emulated, so that forest types and wildlife habitat can occur at natural levels;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of South Algonquin request that the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry not consider the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario's recommendation to commit to the end of commercial logging in Algonquin Park;

AND FURTHER THAT the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry also be requested to permanently protect sustainable forest management in Algonquin Park;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Gord Miller, Environmental Commissioner of Ontario, other municipalities reliant on forest management in Algonquin Park, and John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke, Ontario Forest Industries Association, local mills."

-Carried-

Moved by: S. James **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 14-264**
WHEREAS Council of the Township of South Algonquin adopted By-Law 2010-380 which authorizes voting by mail for all future Municipal Elections in South Algonquin using a Vote By Mail method until this By-Law is repealed
AND WHEREAS Council for the Township of South Algonquin deemed it appropriate and in the public interest to conduct the 2014 Municipal Election using a Vote by Mail Method
AND WHEREAS there is no advance polling for the 2014 Municipal Election
AND WHEREAS Council for the Township of South Algonquin approves the Procedures and Rules for the Municipal Elections, authorized by Section 42 of the Municipal Elections Act R.S.O. 1996,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves POLICY 14-00 Procedures and Rules for the Municipal Elections."
-Carried-

14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None

15. BY-LAWS: None

Moved by: B. Rodnick **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 14-265**
"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 October 16, 2014
Batch 2014-00079 in the amount of $88,374.97 and Batch 2014-081 in the amount of $23,969.68."
-Carried-

Moved by: S. James **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. #14-266**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of October 16, 2014 at 9:33 p.m."
-Carried-

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Mayor Jane Dumas CAO/ Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Klatt