September 2, 2020
COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES
On Wednesday, September 2, 2020 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting via Zoom Meeting which was streamed to YouTube.

Present- Mayor Dumas
Councillor Sandra Collins
Councillor Joe Florent
Councillor Dave Harper
Councillor Bongo Bongo
Councillor Richard Shalla

Staff-
Carla Gatley, Deputy Clerk-Recording Secretary
Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent

Regrets- Councillor Joey Vermaire

1. OPEN MEETING/CALL MEETING TO ORDER:
Mayor Dumas called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 20-123**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated for the Regular Council Meeting of September 2, 2020."
-Carried-

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS: Teresa Hebb, Renfrew County ATV Club.
Ms. Hebb provided a presentation, "Partnering for Better Trails". C. Gatley will forward the slide deck to Councillors. The club is looking for a Director for the South Algonquin area as well as permission for signage on trails and confirmation of trails in South Algonquin. Councillor Shalla suggested including in our next newsletter that the ATV club is looking a Director in our area.

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: S. Collins** **Res. # 20-124**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Committee of Adjustment Meeting of July 29, 2020 as circulated."
-Carried-

Moved by: B. Bongo **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. # 20-125**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 5, 2020 as circulated."
-Carried-

Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: S. Collins** **Res. # 20-126**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 19, 2020 as circulated."
-Carried-

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

Fire
A written report was provided in the council package by Fire Chief D. Kruger
Verbally reported:
-With the exception of one apparatus that had to be taken out of service, everything is going quite well.

Administration
A written report was provided in the council package by CAO/Clerk-Treasurer H. Hayes
Discussed:
-Staff to bring a report to council indicating the steps leading up to the transfer of the portion of land that the DNSSAB currently owns, which is property that is formerly the railbed.

Public Works/Operations

Works Superintendent D. Gatley verbally reported:
-Finished gravel work on Galeairy Lake Rd. today.
-Paving work will start as early as Tuesday next week, probably a two-day job. Then there will be restoration work.
-Northern Rural Net indicated yesterday that they are now interested in providing internet connection to the houses on Galeairy Lake Rd.
-Winter sand stockpiling will commence right after the long weekend.
-The pile of large rock that is placed at the snowmobile parking lot area on Hay Creek Rd. is for the dam project.
-There is going to be a surplus sale out of the Madawaska Works Yard. The two crew cabs will be listed for sale.
-The new tandem plow truck will be finished by tomorrow.
-Only received one bid for the Privy tender and it is quite high.
-There have been no problems at the JR Booth privies until the weekend. The O.P.P. will be notified.

Councillor Shalla stated that the road work looks good but suggested that the culvert at 97 Paradise Rd. should be extended. D. Gatley will approach the landowner, an extension could be placed.

Councillor Shalla questioned why a natural entrance on Paradise Rd. was removed. D. Gatley indicated it was removed at the landowner's request.

Councillor Shalla suggested extending the shoulder at the Whitney Memorial Park for parking. It will be discussed further at a future Asset Management meeting.

Councillor Collins suggested that laminated signs be placed indicating that privies are under surveillance.

Mayor Dumas conveyed her sincere appreciation to D. Gatley and the Works Department for the work that has gone into preparing and rebuilding the roads in the township.

Councillor Collins

-Attended the Cross Lake Community Annual General Meeting via Zoom. Members stated that they were very happy with the grading work that has been done and had a lot of compliments for staff and council.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

-Mayor Dumas commended the Committee of Adjustment members and staff for the good work being done in the committee.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

10. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items:
-Draft Shore Road Allowance Closure and Sale Policy, *resolution*
-Shore Road Allowance Application, *tabled*

11. CORRESPONDENCE -Information Items

12. NEW BUSINESS: Commitment of time and budget to the develop a broadband improvement plan; resolution to follow.

13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:

Moved by: S. Collins **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. # 20-127**

"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin direct staff to award the RFP SA2020-09 Website Redesign to Valley Web Studio based on the proposed scope of work and the anticipated scoping of the library website."

-Carried-

Moved by: B. Bongo **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. # 20-128**

"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin direct staff to research and develop a workplan for the improvement of broadband intranet to be included in the 2021 budget."

-Carried-

Moved by: B. Bongo **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. # 20-129**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approve each member of council to purchase additional electronic equipment to participate in electronic meetings to a maximum of $500.00, receipts to be submitted with expense claims."
-Carried-
Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. # 20-130**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the CAO/ Clerk- Treasurer to write-off property tax owing for the Airy Landfill Site roll # 4801 010 000 42000 0000 for the amount of $896.65."
-Carried-
Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 20-131**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin hereby accepts the updated Shore Road Allowance Closure Application And Sale Policy For Abutting Owners."
-Carried-
Moved by: R. Shalla **Seconded by: D. Harper** **Res. # 20-132**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution received from the Corporation of the Town of Gore Bay, Resolution # 14850 which is in agreement with FONOM in that the current DDSAB's would not be the best solution for overseeing Northern Ontario OPP Detachments and they be so advised."
-Carried-

14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None

Councillor Shalla requested that staff research and report to council if the by-law that gave the CAO and Mayor power to act on behalf of council during the emergency order needs to be rescinded.

15. BY-LAWS: None

16. CLOSED SESSION: None

17. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:
Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: S. Collins** **Res. # 20-133**
"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the payment of all bills as recorded for the meeting of September 2, 2020: Batch 2020-00040 $212,716.07, Batch 2020-00042 $82,311.82."
-Carried-

18. ADJOURNMENT:
Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: B. Bongo** **Res. # 20-134**
"**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of September 2, 2020, at 10:32 a.m."
-Carried-

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

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Mayor Jane Dumas Deputy Clerk Carla Gatley
Recording Secretary