



Minutes of the Regular Meeting
February 16th 2022
ELECTRONIC MEETING

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Clerk's interpretation of the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

Present: B. Mersereau, G. Grant, J. Kern, D. MacFarlane, R. McKinnon

Staff: G. Martin, H. Tener, F. Labelle, S. Chaisson, R. Smith, T. Phillips, P. Trotter

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest was filed by Councillor Dalton MacFarlane with regard to item B.8

Res: 1-2022 D. MacFarlane, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council adopts the Minutes of December 2021 as presented. (cd)

Res: 2-2022 G. Grant, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council approves the Statements of December 2021 and January 2022 as presented. (cd)

Res: 3-2022 R. McKinnon, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council adopts the Clerk's Report for December 2021 and the 2021 Year End Report (cd)

Res: 4-2022 J. Kern, G. Grant

Be it resolved that Council approves the 2021 Year End Report to be included in the Interim Tax Bill mailout. (cd)

Res: 5-2022 R. McKinnon, D. MacFarlane

Be it resolved that Council passes By-Law 2021-1009 being a Boundary By-Law with attached Schedule A. (cd)

Res: 6-2022 G. Grant, D. MacFarlane

Be it resolved that Council receives the Landfill Report from Tarbutt regarding the proposed changes to the Recycling Program; and

THAT Council supports the entering into an agreement with AIM for the collection and removal of scrap metal; and

THAT Council supports the proposed agreement with GFL for recycling bins and collection. (cd)

Council expressed concerns raised by the Landfill Attendants regarding the behavior of some residents and the blatant disregard for the operational rules for waste and recycling at the Landfill. Council requested the concerns identified be forward to Tarbutt and the Landfill Committee for discussion and resolution. Also, discussed was the change in the recycling bins and that they did not seem to be working efficiently. Finally, concern was raised as to the safety and liability with how the metal bin and unloading area has been constructed.

Clerk reported on the status of renovations to the office and on the plans to consider doing the addition this year if possible. Funds for the addition are already currently available, pricing and availability of builders may determine if the project goes ahead or not.

Res: 7-2022 D. MacFarlane, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council supports moving forward with the proposal to ship waste to Michigan for sufficient time to clearly establish the outcomes for this project; and
THAT during this period we look for efficiencies and improvements to the protocols. (cd)

Res: 8-2022 G. Grant, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council agrees to the continuation of the Water and Sewer Contract with PUC as per the current agreement with Fees remaining the same and only adjusted to inflation. (cd)

Maintenance budget will be used for upgrading software necessary for monitoring the Plant and to replace the existing heating source.

Res: 9-2022 D. MacFarlane, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council approves the Amalgamated Tender for 2022. (cd)

Road Super Phillips provided to Council a brief outline of work anticipated this year, staff will prepare a more formal Work Plan for council and residents. Also discussed was the future need for a Sand Shed. There are expected changes coming with regard to the availability of sand. For the past two winters Roads have stockpiled the sand we require in the yard here, resulting in significant savings. Staff will provide to council a report on the need, costs and benefits of a Sand Shed construction.

Res: 10-2022 J. Kern, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council supports the Resolution from the City of Sarnia seeking improvements to the current 'catch and release' justice system in Ontario. (cd)

Res: 11-2022 R. McKinnon, G. Grant

Be it resolved that Council passes By-Law 2022-1013 being a By Law to set the Tax Ratios for 2022. (cd)

Res: 12-2022 D. MacFarlane, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council passes By Law 2022-1014 being a By Law to set the borrowing limits for 2022. (cd)

Res: 13-2022 R. McKinnon, G. Grant

Be it resolved that Council passes By Law 2022-1015 being a By Law to permit the Interim Tax Levy for 2022. (cd)

Res: 14-2022 G. Grant, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council approves the purchase of a zero-turn lawnmower from Kentvale Merchants in the amount of \$7,359.99. cd

Res: 15-2022 D. MacFarlane, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council approves the purchase of a Husqvarna cutoff saw from Kentvale Merchants in the amount of \$1,196.00. (cd)

Res: 16-2022 J. Kern, R. McKinnon

WHEREAS Council supports multi residential development within the Hamlet; and
WHEREAS Council has sufficient municipal property on Margaret Street for such a development.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL approves the Severance of a portion of the municipal property located on Margaret Street, formally known as the 'school property', File #JTWP2022-01.
AND FURTHER THAT the lot created by this severance shall be restricted to multi residential development and at no time shall it be considered a single residential lot; and
THAT staff shall proceed with amending the Zoning from OS (open space) to MR (multi residential)
AND FINALLY, staff shall complete the severance with a survey and the creation of a deed. (cd)

Council requested an update and milestones for the next council meeting on the status of the Community Improvement Plan.

Res: 17-2022 D. MacFarlane, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council continues to support the development of the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board Joint Official Plan with Municipal Planning Services Ltd and Chris Jones. (cd)

Res: 18-2022 G. Grant, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council requests correspondence be sent to the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board regarding the January 14th correspondence from Tarbutt Township; and
THAT the Board request that Tarbutt correct the misinformation sent out regarding fees charged and having the assumed authority to request a cancellation of the Planning Boards, Joint Official Plan undertaking. (cd)

Res: 19-2022 R. McKinnon, D. MacFarlane

Be it resolved that Council receives the Petition from Diamond Lake residents requesting improvements to the Diamond Lake Road. Council shall review development of Diamond Lake Road within the Yearly Roads Plan and within the budget process. (cd)

Road Super Phillips apprised council of the extensive amount of work required to just prepare Diamond Lake Road for hard-surfacing. Council asked that staff provide some form of work plan specific to Diamond Lake Rd. and how it could be addressed in the Annual Work Plans each year.

While discussing Diamond Lake Rd, council also asked for information and costs on repairs to the Boat Launch in that area.

Res: 20-2022 J. Kern, G. grant

Be it resolved that Council goes into CLOSED at 6056PM for:
X a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land,
X litigation or potential litigation,
X advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, (cd)

During CLOSED Councillor MacFarlane declared a Conflict of Interest on item C and left the meeting.

Res: 21-2022 R. McKinnon, J. Kern

Be it resolved that Council comes out of CLOSED at 7:22PM. (cd)

Res: 22-2022 R. McKinnon, G. Grant

Be it resolved that Council accepts the recommendation of legal counsel having regard to the application of the Site Plan By Law. (cd)

Res: 23-2022 G. Grant, J. Kern

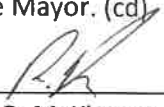
Be it resolved that Council authorizes staff to complete the severance and rezoning of the 'school property' on Margaret Street, and to advertise the severed property for sale by public tender for multi residential development. (cd)

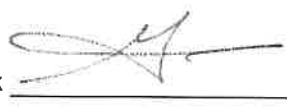
Res: 24-2022 G. Grant, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council passes By Law 2022-1016 being a confirming By Law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Council. (cd)

Res: 25-2022 J. Kern, R. McKinnon

Be it resolved that Council adjourns at 7:29 PM until the next scheduled meeting of Council on March 16th or at the call of the Mayor. (cd)

Deputy Mayor 
R. McKinnon

Clerk 
G. Martin

Date: March 16/22