



**THE CORPORATION OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jody Wildman
Councillor Bruce Ibbitson
Councillor Lorraine Aelick

Regrets: Councillor Joe Wiederkehr
Councillor Joe Cardinal

Staff: Carol Trainor, Clerk Administrator

1. Call to Order

Mayor Wildman called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Moment of Silent Reflection

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. New Business

Councillor Ibbitson, Councillor Aelick and the Clerk Administrator added items.

5. Adoption of the Previous Minutes

Resolution No: 2014 – 88

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

Seconded by: L. Aelick

Be it resolved that the minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014, and the minutes of the Special Council (Budget) meeting held Monday, May 6, 2013 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

6. Business Arising / Activity Log

Review of the Pending Projects list resulted in discussion regarding funding we received for LED streetlights from the Small, Northern and Rural Infrastructure Fund.

7. Presentations

Algoma Power Inc. Community Information Meeting

Peggy Lund, Supervisor, Customer Care and Dan Richards, Supervisor, Distribution Engineering

Ms. Lund thanked Council for the opportunity to appear and provide an update on their Safety and Environment, Customer Service, Operations, and Regulatory initiatives. The First Responders presentation has been popular and may be of interest to the Fire Departments on the Island. API may be able to provide some funding assistance for the planned streetlight retrofits. API now has only one phone number for all customer needs, and noted that customers still need to call in to report an outage. Their e-billing initiative is another green initiative that will also help cut the cost of postage.

Mr. Richards provided an Operations update including capital work plans, vegetation management, emergency planning and pole replacement projects.

8. Accounts

Resolution No: 2014 – 89

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that the Cheque Register dated April 2, 2014 in the amount of \$56,418.88 be approved as presented.

Carried

9. Staff and Committee Reports

a. Event Tent Policy

Council will reconsider a fee schedule after further investigation.

Resolution No: 2014 – 90

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

Seconded by: L. Aelick

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding a draft policy for the rental of event tents be received; and

That Council does approve the attached Event Tent Rental Policy.

Carried as amended

b. 2014 – 2017 Seniors and Disabled Services Agreement

Resolution No: 2014 – 91

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding a new three year Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement with the NE LHIN be received; and

That the Mayor and the Clerk Administrator be authorized to enter into the three year M-SAA with the NE LHIN Seniors and Disabled Program funding.

Carried

c. Seniors Services Funding

The year end report was submitted to the LHIN on March 31 with a deficit position as a result of the popularity and growth of the Seniors programming, although no increase in funding has been provided since before 2011. The number of programs has grown, there are more clients in each program, the catchment area is expanding, and the LHIN would like to see further expansion without additional funds. A Business Case will be submitted to the LHIN requesting additional funding to accommodate the growth in programming, for additional staff hours, and to cover the day to day needs of the facility. Other municipalities whose residents benefit from our services may be asked to help pressure the LHIN and the Minister of Health to increase funding for care that allows local seniors to stay in their homes.

Resolution No: 2014 – 92

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding workload and funding shortfalls for the Seniors and Disabled Programs be received; and

That Council does support transferring the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care reporting duties to the Treasurer, effective immediately, to be reviewed in October; and

That Council supports extending the hours of the Seniors Program Assistant by one hour per day, supported by a Business Case to be submitted to the NE LHIN requesting funds to cover this expansion.

Carried

d. 2013 Drinking Water System and Sewage Treatment Plan Annual Reports

Resolution No: 2014 – 93

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

Seconded by: L. Aelick

Be it resolved that the summary of the 2013 Annual Report for the Richards Landing Sewage Treatment Plant be received as presented; and

That the 2013 Annual and Summary Reports for the Richards Landing Drinking Water System be received as presented by the PUC.

Carried

10. Consent Agenda

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| a. MicroFIT Revenue to the end of February, 2014 | Receive |
| b. St. Joseph Township Library Board
Re: Minutes of the Board meeting held March 18, 2014 | Receive |
| c. 2014 Ontario Volunteer Service Awards
Re: Nomination Acknowledgement and Invitation | Receive |
| d. AMO Communications
Re: OPP Policed Communities: Update 5 | Receive |
| e. Proclamation of Seniors Month, June 1 – 30, 2014 | Proclaim |
| f. AMO Breaking News
Re: New Accountability and Transparency Act
Re: AMO Calls for rethink on Bill 69 – The Prompt Payment Act | Receive |
| g. Letter from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration
Re: Lincoln M. Alexander Award, 2014 | Receive |
| h. Alert from the Ontario Good Roads Association
Re: OGRA's Position on Joint and Several Liability | Receive |

Resolution No: 2014 – 94

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that items a through h listed on the Consent Agenda dated April 2, 2014 be received, and that the recommended action be taken as noted.

Carried

11. Addendum

- a. Ontario One Call Service Agreement

Resolution No: 2014 – 95

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

Seconded by: L. Aelick

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding membership in Ontario One Call (ON1Call) be received; and

That the Clerk Administrator be authorized to enter into a Service Agreement with ON1Call in accordance with the *Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notifications System Act 2012*.

Carried

b. Restaurant Lease Effective Date

The lease agreement will be amended to reflect a later commencement date.

Resolution No: 2014 – 96

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk Administrator regarding the effective date of the lease agreement for the marina restaurant be received; and

That Council agrees to prorate the rent for April and possibly May 2014 to reflect the date of water availability and occupancy.

Carried

c. Tent Event Fee Schedule - Supplementary

The fee schedule was discussed as part of the Item 9 a) above. Rental fees should be on a cost recovery basis and a supplementary report will be provided.

Addendum Correspondence

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| a. Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre Seniors Advisory Committee
Re: Draft minutes of the meeting held March 11, 2014 | Receive |
| b. Appointment of a new OPP Detachment Commander, East Algoma | Receive |
| c. Algoma District Municipal Association
Re: Draft minutes of the Spring Symposium held March 22, 2014 | Endorse
Resolutions |
| d. AMO Communications:
Re: Highlights of the March 2014 Board Meeting | Receive |
| Re: Realigning and Repurposing School Space | Receive |

Resolution No: 2014 – 97

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

Seconded by: L. Aelick

Be it resolved that the Addendum Correspondence listed herein be received; and

That ADMA and FONOM be advised that Council supports the ADMA resolutions regarding the new Municipal Accountability Measures; the new proposed OPP Billing Model; Small Community Capital Fund; Small, Rural & Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund; Canada's Housing Crunch; and the ACR passenger service.

Carried

New Business

Councillor Ibbitson reported on the Asset Management Symposium he attended, which was very valuable. The message of the symposium was that the Asset Management Plan is to be maintained and updated annually and must become part of municipal forecasting.

Councillor Ibbitson and the Mayor attended the ADMA meeting on March 22. There is a great deal of interest around the saveONenergy retrofit program and opportunities for savings on streetlight retrofits through LAS.

Councillor Ibbitson suggested that Council may want to consider different strategies for the operation of the marina next year. The marina continues to run a deficit and the municipality should look at what measures can be taken to improve the financial position. Staff were asked to provide a profit and loss statement for the last 10 years.

Councillor Aelick advised that she received a call from a resident who felt that raw sewage was running in the culvert as a result of a nearby hunt camp. The Works crew investigated but found no evidence of smell or sewage. Staff were directed to notify the Building Inspector and Algoma Public Health, and determine whether the owner is in contravention of the building by-law or zoning by-law.

C. Trainor advised that the Sault Community Career Centre is looking for immigrants to our community who might be interested in participating in a workshop to get their stories into the archives of the Pier 21 Museum of Immigration. Several names were suggested.

The Clerk Administrator also advised that the generator at the Legion is out of commission. Emergency measures require certified maintenance of the generator at the Legion, which is the designated emergency shelter for the Island. A maintenance agreement is in place although the cost of bi-annual servicing and repairs is very costly.

12. Closed Session

Resolution No: 2014 – 98

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

Seconded by: L. Aelick

Be it resolved that Council proceed into Closed Session in accordance with Section 239 of the *Municipal Act* in order to address matters pertaining to personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees.

Carried

a. Personnel Performance

Resolution No: 2014 – 99

Moved by: B. Ibbitson

The Clerk Administrator was directed to advise department heads to follow through with documenting personnel concerns and conducting performance evaluations.

13. Confirmation By-law

Resolution No: 2014 – 100

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2014-16 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held this Second day of April, 2014; and That said by-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed.

Carried

14. Adjournment

Resolution No: 2014 – 101

Moved by: L. Aelick

Seconded by: B. Ibbitson

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Council of The Township of St. Joseph adjourn at 9:35 pm., to meet again on Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Carried



Jody Wildman, Mayor



Carol Trainor, Clerk Administrator