

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Gail Degagne chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with Councillors, James Gauthier, and Bernadette Kerr.

With regrets: Councillor Nunzio Scarfone

Staff member(s) present was (were): CAO Clerk-Treasurer, Jenny Leblond, Public Works Staff, Walter Ross.

Member(s) of the public present was (were): None.

NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None noted.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2020-263

Bernadette Kerr and James Gauthier: Be it resolved that the *Agenda* for this meeting be adopted as presented. **‘Carried’**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2020-264

James Gauthier and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the *Minutes* of the November 10, 2020 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. **‘Carried’**

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS -None

MAYOR STAFF COMMITTEE AND GOVERNMENT REPORTS

Resolution 2020-265

Bernadette Kerr and James Gauthier: Be it resolved that the Mayor, Staff, Committee and Government reports be accepted as presented and are listed as Addendum “A” to the Minutes. **‘Carried’**

BUDGET REPORT - None

Public Works Reports

Resolution 2020-266

James Gauthier and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the Public Works Fuel Report for the month of October 2020, be accepted as presented.

‘Carried’

Resolution 2020-267

Bernadette Kerr and James Gauthier: Be it resolved that Council accept the Public Works Activity Report from the Operations Superintendent, Walter Ross, dated October 24, 2020 – November 20, 2020.

‘Carried’

Resolution 2020-268

James Gauthier and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that Council accept the memo from CAO Clerk-Treasurer, Jenny Leblond, dated November 19, 2020 (re: ARGO for Beaver Control) and approve the purchase of a 2020 Argo Frontier 700 Scout 8x8, for the quoted amount of \$30,259.00 (taxes included), and to use the efficiencies funding received in 2019 for the purchase.

Recorded Vote - For: Gail Degagne and Bernadette Kerr **Against:** Jim Gauthier

‘Carried’

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2020-269

Bernadette Kerr and James Gauthier: Be it resolved that Council accept the Budget Projections Report to Nov 17, 2020, from the CAO.

‘Carried’

Resolution 2020-270

James Gauthier and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that Council accept the memo from the CAO Clerk-Treasurer, Jenny Leblond dated November 19, 2020 (re: Bathub Race on Alderdale Road), and approve that a portion of Alderdale Road be closed for a period of approximately 1 hour, between Memorial Park and Chiswick Line, more specifically starting on the hill, just south of Memorial Park and finish line being at the Alderdale General Store, in October 2021.

‘Carried’

Resolution 2020-271

Bernadette Kerr and James Gauthier: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm approve the Township’s advertisement in “the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command’s Military Service Recognition Book” in the amount of \$570.00 for a ¼ page full colour ad.

‘Carried’

Resolution 2020-272

James Gauthier and Bernadette Kerr: WHEREAS, installing tile drainage is a common land improvement practice among farmers in Ontario and the benefits of tile drainage for crop productivity, farm efficiency and even for reducing environmental impacts have been studied and are generally well known to farmers;

AND WHEREAS, the Tile Loan Program, authorized by the *Tile Drainage Act*, provides loans to agricultural property owners to help them finance these tile drainage projects; all tile loans have 10-year terms and repayments are made annually;

AND WHEREAS, the provincial government sets the program interest rate at a competitive level which was reduced from 8% to 6% in the fall of 2004 and the loan limit was also increased from \$20,000.00 to \$50,000.00 at the same time;

AND WHEREAS, interest rates have continued to decline over the years and the cost per acre for tile drainage has increased over the years;

NOW THEREFORE; be it resolved that Council of the Township of Chisholm request the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to consider lowering the interest rate on Tile Drain Loans to 4% and increasing the yearly loan limit to \$100,000.00, and that this Resolution be forwarded to Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, MPP Victor Fedeli, and AMO.
'Carried'

OPEN FORUM- None

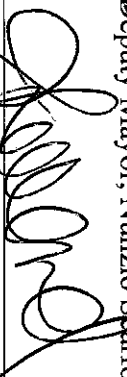
ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2020-273
Bernadette Kerr and James Gauthier: Be it resolved that By-Law 2020-37 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the November 24, 2020 meeting be read a first, second and third time and be passed this 24th day of November, 2020.
'Carried'

Resolution 2020-274
James Gauthier and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that Council does now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, December 8, 2020.
'Carried'



Deputy Mayor, Nunzio Sparfione



CAO Clerk Treasurer, Jennisthne Leblond

Addendum A

Staff, Mayor, Committee and Government Reports

Staff Reports

- a) Overtime Report - October (Encl.)
- b) Resilience Infrastructure Stream – Project Eligibility Criteria (Encl.)

Mayor, Committee and Government Reports

- a) FONOM 2021 Virtual Annual Conference
- b) MFOA Provincial Budget 2020 (Encl.)
- c) Conservation Authorities Act Updates (Encl.)
- d) Algonquin Park Forest 2021-2031 Forest Management Plan. (Encl.)