

Corporation of the Township of Chisholm

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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER & ACKNOWLEDGE FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES AND LAND

"We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Peoples, in the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties areas. We wish to acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Metis Peoples in Ontario and show respect to the neighbouring Indigenous communities. We offer our gratitude for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we continue to honor these teachings."

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gail Degagne, in Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m., with Councillors Paul Sharp, Bernadette Kerr, Nunzio Scarfone and Claire Riley. Staff member present was CAO Jenny Leblond, OS Shawn Hughes and Fire Chief Ray Ford. There were 9 members of the public in attendance.

2. NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2023-245 Paul Sharp and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Agenda for this meeting be adopted as printed. **'Carried'**

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES – September 26, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

Resolution 2023-246 Claire Riley and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the September 26, 2023, Council Meeting, be adopted as printed and circulated. **'Carried'**

5. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS – September 2023

Resolution 2023-247 Bernadette Kerr and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Administration, Fire Department, Council, By-Law Enforcement Officer and Public Works payroll accounts in the amount of \$32,581.08 and general accounts totaling \$256,987.48 for the month of September 2023 be accepted as presented. **'Carried'**

6. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

(a) Ray Ford – Fire Department 2022 Report

Resolution 2023-248 Claire Riley and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Council accepts the Fire Department 2022 Report from Fire Chief Ray Ford. **'Carried'**

(b) Request to be heard – Jeff Buell Hills Siding Road

Resolution 2023-249 Paul Sharp and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Council accepts the presentation from Jeff Buell regarding the speed limit on Hills Siding Road, and further that Council will discuss this topic in Agenda item 10. b). **'Carried'**

7. OPEN FORUM

8. MAYOR STAFF COMMITTEE AND GOVERNMENT REPORTS

- (a) Mayor Report – General Update on the following topics: Emergency Management, Email Security, Cassellholme, and, Strategic Planning
- (b) Staff Reports
 - Taxes Owing Report (Encl.)
 - Update from Circular Materials Operations – Blue Box Transition (Encl.)
- (c) Committee Reports
 - DRAFT minutes, October 3, 2023 Committee of Adjustment Meeting (Encl.)
 - OPP 2024 Annual Billing Statement Package (Encl.)
- (d) Correspondence
 - Announcement CIF - Windup extended to 2025 (Encl.)
 - District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Fall Meeting Presentations (Encl.)

Resolution 2023-250 Claire Riley and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Mayor, Staff, Committee and Correspondence Reports, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

9. REVIEW BUDGET REPORT – Printed October 4, 2023

Resolution 2023-251 Nunzio Scarfone and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the Budget Report printed October 4, 2023, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

10. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS

- (a) Memo to Council from OS Shawn Hughes re: Activity Report (Encl.)
Resolution 2023-252 Bernadette Kerr and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Council accept the Sept 8 to Oct 6, 2023, Activity report from Operations Superintendent Shawn Hughes. **‘Carried’**
- (b) Traffic Data Collected- Chiswick, Alderdale, and Hills Siding Road (Encl.)
Resolution 2023-253 Bernadette Kerr and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm accepts the Traffic Data report for Chiswick Line, Alderdale Road, and Hills Siding Road. **‘Carried’**

11. NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Memo from Planner Chris Jones Re: ZBA Steelridge Metal (Encl.)
Resolution 2023-254 Nunzio Scarfone and Bernadette Kerr: The Council of the Township of Chisholm discussed the recommendation from the Planner in respect to the Zoning amendment for Steelridge Metal and therefore be it resolved that:
 1. the Memo from the Planner Chris Jones, dated September 22, 2023, be accepted; and
 2. the Council directs the applicant to submit an application for an Official Plan Amendment for the purpose of creating a site-specific policy intended to authorize an expansion to the existing building and business in a manner that reflects the increasing scale of the building and business and to establish site-specific land use policies to be implemented through the amendment to the RU-8 Zone and a site plan agreement.**‘Deferred’**
- (b) Discussion on the 2023/2024 Snowmobile Season (Encl.)
Resolution 2023-255 Paul Sharp and Nunzio Scarfone: Whereas the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile clubs, specifically the South Shore Restoule Snowmobile Club, has a snowmobile trail on Maple Road;
 Whereas the township signs an annual agreement with the South Shore Restoule Snowmobile Club agreeing to allow the trail on Maple Road;

Whereas the township receives complaints about road safety and snowmobile speeding on Maple Road;

Therefore, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm agrees to sign an agreement with the South Shore Restoule Snowmobile Club for the 2023/2024 snowmobile season;

And further, request that the club move the trail off of Maple Road as soon as possible;

And further, if the trail is not moved off of Maple Road by the 2024/2025 snowmobile season, Council will not renew the agreement.

And further that the club be asked to install signage indicating the mx speed of snowmobiles and that enforcement is according to the Highway Traffic Act. **'Carried'**

(c) Memo from CAO Jenny Leblond Re: Fees By-law (Encl.)

Resolution 2023-256 Claire Riley and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Chisholm accepts the memo from CAO Jenny Leblond and agrees that the fees by-law, if passed at the November 14th Council Meeting, will come into effect on January 1, 2024. **'Carried'**

(d) Remembrance Day ceremony attendance for Powassan, Bonfield, Callander and East Ferris (Encl.)

Resolution 2023-257 Paul Sharp and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Chisholm agrees to attend the following Remembrance Ceremonies:

- Bonfield – November 11th, 2023, Bernadette Kerr
- East Ferris – November 10th, 2023, Claire Riley
- Callander – Date unknown, Gail Degagne
- Powassan – Date unknown, Paul Sharp

'Carried'

(e) Discussion, 2024 Council Conference attendance (Encl.)

Resolution 2023-258 Bernadette Kerr and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm agree to the following conference attendance:

ROMA – Paul Sharp and Councillor Scarfone

OGRA – Defer decision

FONOM – Claire Riley, Bernadette Kerr and Paul Sharp

AMO – Nunzio Scarfone, Bernadette Kerr, and Gail Degagne

'Carried'

(f) Advertisement to support the Military Service Recognition Book (Encl.)

Resolution 2023-259 Paul Sharp and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm agrees to donate \$395.00 for a 1/10 page sized add in the Ontario Command Legions 11th edition of the Military Service Recognition Book. **'Carried'**

(g) Resolution Support Re: fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Encl.)

Resolution 2023-260 Nunzio Scarfone and Paul Sharp: WHEREAS couples should have the right to live together as they age, and;

WHEREAS Ontario seniors have worked hard to build this province and deserve dignity in care, and;

WHEREAS Bill 21 amends the Residents Bill of Rights in the Fixing Long-Term Care Act to provide the resident with the right upon admission to continue to live with their spouse or partner;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm supports Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part)2022, and directs staff to forward this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Long-Term Care, and MPP Vic Fedeli. **'Carried'**

12. ADJOURNMENT

- (a) By-law 2023-xx being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the council meeting.
Resolution 2023-261 Paul Sharp and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that By-law 2023-34, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the October 10, 2023 Council meeting, be read a first, second, and third time, and passed this October 10, 2023. **'Carried'**
- (b) Resolution re: Adjournment.
Resolution 2023-262 Claire Riley and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Council now adjourn to meet again on October 24, 2023. **'Carried'**



Mayor, Gail Degagne



CAO Clerk Treasurer, Jennistine Leblond