

Corporation of the Township of Chisholm

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MINUTES COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024 FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC MEETINGS

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 7:39 p.m., with Councillors Paul Sharp, Bernadette Kerr, Claire Riley, and Nunzio Scarfone. Staff member present was CAO Jenny Leblond. There were 15 members of the public in attendance, some left during the meeting.

2. NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2024-103 Bernadette Kerr and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Agenda for this meeting be adopted as printed. **'Carried'**

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES – May 14, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution 2024-104 Claire Riley and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the May 14, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, be adopted as printed and circulated. **'Carried'**

5. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS – None

6. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS – None

6. OPEN FORUM

7. MAYOR STAFF COMMITTEE AND GOVERNMENT REPORTS

(a) Mayor and Council Reports

- Mayor – The Mayor Gave an update on the following: Alzheimer's walk, Business celebration 25 years, and CAO DNSSAB list of services.
- Councilor Claire Riley FONOM Conference Report (Encl.)
- Councilor Bernadette Kerr FONOM Conference Report (Encl.)
- Councilor Paul Sharp FONOM Conference Report (Encl.)
- Councilor Paul Sharp DPSMA Spring Meeting Report (Encl.)

(b) Committee Reports

- Minute, Golden Sunshine, April 16, 2024 (Encl.)
- Letter from NBMCA re: Mandatory Maintenance Inspection Program (Encl.)
- Notice of Public Consultation, Proposed Source Protection Plan Updates (Encl.)

(c) Correspondence

- Letter Solicitor General, Community Safety and Policing Act (Encl.)
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Resolution support re: National Fire Fighting Strategy. (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-105 Claire Riley and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Mayor and Council, Staff, Committee and Correspondence reports be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

8. REVIEW BUDGET REPORT – None

9. PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS - None

10. NEW BUSINESS

(a) By-law 2024-11, being a by-law to stop up and close road allowance (between Con. 6 and 7 in front of Lot 22 and part of 23) (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-106 Bernadette Kerr and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that By-law 2024-11, being a by-law to close, stop up and declare the lands to be surplus and to sell part of the road allowance in between concession 6 and 7, be read a first, second and third time, and passed this May 28, 2024. **‘Carried’**

RECORDED VOTE

	For	Against
Paul Sharp	___	<u> x </u>
Claire Riley	<u> x </u>	___
Nunzio Scarfone	<u> x </u>	___
Bernadette Kerr	<u> x </u>	___
Gail Degagne	<u> x </u>	___

(b) By-law 2024-12, being a by-law to stop up and close lakeshore road allowance (in front of broken lot 12 Con. 13) (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-107 Claire Riley and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that By-law 2024-12, being a by-law to close, stop up, and declare the lands surplus and to sell part of the shore road allowance in front of broke lot 12, concession 13, be read a first, second, and third time, and passed this May 28, 2024. **‘Carried’**

(c) By-law 2024-13, a by-law to establish tax ratios for 2024 (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-108 Nunzio Scarfone and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that by-law 2024-13, being a by-law to establish tax ratios for property classes in the Township of Chisholm for the year 2024, be read a first, second, and third time, and passed this May 28, 2024. **‘Carried’**

(d) By-law 2024-14, a by-law to adopt the 2024 budget (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-109 Bernadette Kerr and Claire Riley: Be it resolved that by-law 2024-14, being a by-law to adopt the 2024 budget including estimates of all sums required for the purposes of the municipality during the year 2024 and to establish the tax rates to be levied, be read a first, second, and third time, and passed this May 28, 2024, and further that Council accepts the simplified version of reserve categories as outlines in the budget package. **‘Carried’**

(e) Memo to Council from Planner Re: Request to close Road Allowance – Plan M-185 (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-110 Paul Sharp and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Council is in agreement to stop up, close and convey a portion of the unopened road allowance located within Plan M-185 in the manner illustrated in Figure 4 of the Planning Report dated May 24, 2024 and that staff be directed to prepare and bring forward a by-law to stop up, close and convey said unopened road allowance subject to the following:

1. Submission of a letter of acknowledgement and cost recovery agreement by each of the registered owners of 1483 Alderdale Road, 1487 Alderdale Road and 1507 Alderdale Road that they agree with the area and extent of the conveyance, to fulfil all reasonable conditions, to pay consideration in accordance with the Township's fees By-law, and to assume all Township costs related to the closure and conveyance;
2. Submission of one draft reference plan illustrating the proportionate Parts to be stopped up closed and conveyed to the abutting/benefitting owners who have requested the conveyances with such survey illustrating the location of existing buildings and structures located on the road allowance where applicable;
3. Submission of an application for zoning by-law amendment by any benefitting owner requiring a zoning amendment to address split-zoning and/or an area of non-compliance; and,
4. Submission of an application for a deeming by-law to consolidate existing lots held by a benefitting owner together within any portion of the closed road allowance. **'Carried'**

(f) Discussion, 'Share the Road' Signage

Resolution 2024-111 Paul Sharp and Bernadette Kerr: Be it resolved that the Council approved in principal erecting 3 "Share the road" signs and have staff investigate potential costs and specifics and bring back to a future Council meeting. **'Carried'**

(g) Memo from CAO Jenny Leblond Re: Original Road Allowance Applications (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-112 Paul Sharp and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm directs staff to halt acceptance of any new applications to purchase an Original Road Allowance until the following are complete:

1. Official Plan review;
2. Notice By-law Update; and
3. Procedure policy

'Carried'

(h) Resolution support from the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board Re: Reaching Home Funding Allocations (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-113 Nunzio Scarfone and Claire Riley: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm supports the stabilization of the Federal Government's Reaching Home fund to the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board as the Community Entity; and further that funding be maintained, at minimum, at current levels for future fiscal years; and further that this resolution be forwarded to MP Anthony Rota and MPP Vic Fedeli. **'Carried'**

(i) Resolution Support from Municipality of East Ferris supporting St. Catherines resolution to restrict keeping of non-native wild animals (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-114 Bernadette Kerr and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm supports a resolution from St. Catherines and East Ferris, petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population; and further that this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, and MPP Vic Fedeli. **'Carried'**

(j) Resolution Support from Municipality of East Ferris supporting Hastings County resolution for Infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-115 Bernadette Kerr and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm supports a resolution passed by the Municipality of East Ferris from Hastings County urging the Federal and Ontario Government to acknowledge that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities and that they are not over looked for future applications of funding, and further that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Anthony Rota, MPP Vic Fedeli, AMO, ROMA, FCM and FONOM. **‘Carried’**

- (k) Resolution Support from the Township of Lucan Biddulph against the phase out of free water well testing in the 2023 Auditor General’s Report (Encl.)

Resolution 2024-116 Nunzio Scarfone and Claire Riley: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm supports a resolution from the Township of Lucan Biddulph requesting that the Province reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services, and that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks, Minister of Health, North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit, and MPP Vic Fedeli. **‘Carried’**

11. ADJOURNMENT

- (a) By-law 2024-15 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the council meeting.

Resolution 2024-117 Bernadette Kerr and Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that by-law 2024-15, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of council at the meeting May 28, 2024, be read a first, second, and third, time and passed this May 28, 2024. **‘Carried’**

- (b) Resolution re: Adjournment.

Resolution 2024-118 Claire Riley and Paul Sharp: Be it resolved that the Council now adjourn this meeting to meet again on June 11, 2024, or at the call of the chair. **‘Carried’**



Mayor, Gail Degagne



CAO Clerk Treasurer, Jennistine Leblond