



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH

March 2, 2021

REGULAR (Virtual) COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Reeve David Jaggard
Council Members:
Rick Gordon, Lorie Leeson, Mike McKenzie, Eric Russell
Clerk / Administrator Silvio Berti
Deputy Clerk/Administrator Barbara Grigg
Deputy Treasurer Barb Deforge
Fire Chief Jeff Wilson
EDO Shelba Millette

1. MEETING DECLARED OPEN

MOTION: 2021 - 035
Moved by: Rick Gordon **Seconded by:** Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS there is a quorum of Council present;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Regular VIRTUAL Meeting of Council be opened for business at 7:03 p.m. with the Reeve presiding as Chair.

CARRIED.

2. PRAYER

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: 2021 – 036
Moved by: Mike McKenzie **Seconded by:** Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been provided the Agenda for the Regular Council meeting of March 2, 2021,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this meeting be approved with the addition of:

- 8. b. 2021 Budget Expense Exclusions – Ontario regulation 284/09
- 8. c. Approval of the 2021 Operating Budget, after Bylaw 2021-005.
- 9. b) ii. Approval of Strategic Planning Committee Terms of Reference.
- 9. b) iii. Approval of Recreation Committee Terms of Reference.
- 10. o) Library Board Vacancy.

CARRIED.

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

6. DELEGATIONS/GUESTS – None

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: 2021 – 037
Moved by: Lorie Leeson **Seconded by:** Rick Gordon

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes of the February 2, 2021 Virtual Regular Meeting of Council with the addition of Eric Russell in item 10 d).

CARRIED



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8. BYLAWS

BYLAW 2021-005 INTERIM TAX RATE

MOTION: 2021 – 038

Moved by: Eric Russell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Section 317 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, chapter 25, as amended, provides that the Council of a local municipality may pass a By-law levying amounts on the assessment of property in the local municipality rateable for local municipality purposes,

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah deems it appropriate to provide for such interim levy on the assessment of property in the Township of Tehkummah,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah enacts By-law 2021-005, being a By-law to Provide for an Interim Tax Levy for the Payment of Taxes and to Establish Penalty and Interest Charges Bylaw, be given first, second, third and final reading and passed as of this date.

CARRIED.

2021 BUDGET EXPENSE EXCLUSIONS

MOTION: 2021 – 039

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Rick Gordon

WHEREAS staff are required to provide a Report to Council under Ontario Regulation 284/09 reporting the exclusion of certain expenses prior to the adoption of a Budget,

AND WHEREAS Council has been provided with a report detailing the exclusions,

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that Council adopt the Budget Exclusion Report for 2021 to comply with Ontario Regulation 284/09.

CARRIED.

BYLAW 2021-008 BUDGETARY ESTIMATES

MOTION: 2021 – 040

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been presented with Bylaw 2021-008 Being a Bylaw to provide for the Adoption of Budgetary Estimates for the year,

AND WHEREAS Pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001.S.O. 2001 each municipality shall, in the year or the immediately preceding year, prepare and adopt a budget including estimates of all sums required during the year for the purposes of the Municipality,

AND WHEREAS the Council previously adopted the 2021 Budget Exclusion Expense Report in compliance with the Ontario Regulation 284/09 and the Municipal Act, 2001,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah approves Bylaw 2021-008 Being a Bylaw to provide for the Adoption of Budgetary Estimates for the year as follows:

Expenditures	\$2,397,570.00
Revenues	<u>\$1,141,544.00</u>
Amount to be raised upon ratable assessment for municipal purposes	\$1,256,016.00

CARRIED



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APPROVAL of the 2021 OPERATING BUDGET

BUDGET BYLAW 2021-006

MOTION: 2021 – 041

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council and staff have established a 2021 Budget, have formulated a fixed tax rate for the year 2021 and can authorize a levy of Municipal and Education Taxation,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah approves By-law 2021 – 006, being a by-law to adopt the estimates for all sums required during the year 2021, and to fix the rate of taxation for the year 2021, and to authorize the levy of municipal and education taxation.

CARRIED.

BYLAW 2021-007 WATER and SEWER RATES and COLLECTION POLICY

MOTION: 2021 – 042

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Rick Gordon

WHEREAS Council has been presented with Bylaw 2021 – 007 Being a Bylaw to establish water / sewer rates and water / sewer accounts receivable collection policy,

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Act, SO 2001, Section 391, as amended authorizes a municipality to impose fees or charges for services or activities provided or done by on behalf of it,

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Act, SO 2001, Section 81 as amended authorizes a municipality to exercise methods of collection for public utility service fees,

AND WHEREAS Motion 2019 – 201 passed by Council approved a 2.5% increase in rates for each year in 2019, 2020 and 2021, notwithstanding any additional or emergency capital needs that arise that may be required to be raised by special assessment on the users of the South Baymouth Water and Sewer System,

AND WHEREAS it is also deemed to be necessary to establish a water / sewer accounts receivable collection policy,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah does hereby enact as follows:

1. THAT the following schedules as attached hereto form part of this Bylaw,
 - a. Schedule 1 – Water and Sewer Accounts Receivable Collection Policy
 - b. Schedule 2 – Water and Sewer Rates to be imposed.

THAT this Bylaw shall come into force and effect as on the date of passing.

CARRIED.

9. CONSENT ITEMS

a) Reports of Officials

a) FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - December, 2020 to February, 2021

MOTION: 2021 – 043

Moved by: Eric Russell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Council has been provided with the Fire Chief's Report for December 2020 to February 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the Fire Chief's Report for December 2020 to February 2021.

CARRIED.



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b) TREASURER

MOTION: 2021 – 044

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Rick Gordon

WHEREAS the Deputy Treasurer has provided Accounts Payable from January 28, 2021 to February 23, 2021 in the amount of \$104,189.90 and Bank Reconciliation January 1 to 31, 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council confirm the Accounts Payable from January 28, 2021 to February 23, 2021 in the amount of \$104,189.90 and Bank Reconciliation January 1 to 31, 2021.

CARRIED.

c) Health and Safety Report – January and February, 2021

MOTION: 2021 – 045

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been provided with a Health and Safety Report for January and February 2021,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the Health and Safety Report for January and February 2021.

CARRIED.

b) Reports of Boards and Committees

MOTION: 2021 – 046

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

BE IT RESOLVED that the following Reports of Boards and Committees be received, acted upon as necessary, and filed:

- a. TehkummaH Public Library Board meeting, January 2021,
- b. Strategic Planning Committee Terms of Reference and meeting minutes, February 8, 11 & 22, 2021.
- c. TehkummaH Recreation Committee Terms of Reference

CARRIED.

c) External Reports

MOTION: 2021 – 047

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

BE IT RESOLVED that the following External Reports be received, acted upon as necessary, and filed:

- a. OCWA Reports: Lab Services February 9 & 16, 2021, Certificate of Analysis – February 11 & 25, 2021,
- b. Manitoulin Planning Board meeting minutes, January 26, 2021,
- c. Manitoulin Centennial Manor, December 17, 2020, and January 17, 2021,
- d. Manitoulin – Sudbury DSSAB – 4th Qtr. Activity Report and unaudited Financial Report.

CARRIED.



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10. REGULAR ITEMS

a) 2020 Statement of Remuneration & Expenses

MOTION: 2021-048

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been presented with a Report to Council from the Deputy Treasurer regarding the 2020 Statement of Remuneration & Expenses,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives the 2020 Statement of Remuneration & Expenses.

CARRIED.

b) Emailing of Tax Bills

MOTION: 2021-049

Moved by: Eric Russell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Council has been presented with a Report to Council regarding the Emailing of Tax Bills from the Deputy Clerk / Administrator,

AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed the information provided,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves implementation of a tax email program from the Managed Municipality at a one-time cost of \$1,100. plus, applicable taxes.

CARRIED.

c) Building Condition Assessment Reports from Tulloch Engineering
o Public Works and Municipal Office Buildings

MOTION: 2021-050

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Rick Gordon

WHEREAS Council has been provided with Building Condition Assessment Reports for the Public Works Building and the Municipal Office Building from Tulloch Engineering,

AND WHEREAS Council has had the opportunity to review the digital copy of the reports,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives the Building Condition Assessment Reports for the Public Works Building and the Municipal Office Building from Tulloch Engineering.

CARRIED.

LANDFILL EXPANSION HYDROGEOLOGICAL REPORT

MOTION: 2021-051

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been provided with provided with the Landfill Expansion Hydrogeological Report from DST CONSULTING ENGINEERS INC.

AND WHEREAS Council has had the opportunity to review the digital copy of the report,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives Landfill Expansion Hydrogeological Report from DST CONSULTING ENGINEERS INC.

CARRIED.



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LANDFILL DESIGN and OPERATIONS REPORT

MOTION: 2021 – 052
Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Rick Gordon

WHEREAS Council has been provided with the Landfill Design and Operations Report from DST CONSULTING ENGINEERS INC.

AND WHEREAS Council has had the opportunity to review the digital copy of the report,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives Landfill Design and Operations Report from DST CONSULTING ENGINEERS INC.

CARRIED.

STRATEGIC PLAN 2021 - 2031

MOTION: 2021-053
Moved by: Eric Russell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Council has been provided with a draft of the Strategic Plan 2021 – 2031 for the Township of TehkummaH prepared by the Strategic Planning Committee,

AND WHEREAS Council has had the opportunity to review the digital copy of the draft,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the Strategic Plan 2021 – 2031 for the Township of TehkummaH.

CARRIED.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER APPLICATIONS

MOTION: 2021 – 054
Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been presented with applications from P. Crepeau and A. Dyck to become members of The TehkummaH Fire Department / First Response,

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the applications from P. Crepeau and A. Dyck to become members of The TehkummaH Fire Department / First Response.

CARRIED.

SMALL DRINKING WATER SYSTEM COMPLIANCE LETTER, February 2, 2021

MOTION: 2021-055
Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been presented with a Small Drinking Water System Compliance Letter from Public Health Sudbury & District regarding the TehkummaH Community Hall,

AND WHEREAS the letter states that the facility is in compliance with the directive for microbiological sampling and testing,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives Small Drinking Water System Compliance Letter from Public Health Sudbury & District regarding the TehkummaH Community Hall.

CARRIED.



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MANITOULIN-LaCLOCHE EDO NETWORK: Tourism Adaptation Strategy Update

MOTION: 2021 – 056

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been presented with a letter dated February 9, 2021, from Marcus Mohr, Community Development / Outreach Coordinator at the Municipality of Central Manitoulin regarding the Manitoulin – La Cloche Tourism Adaptation Strategy Partner Funding Request,

AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed and discussed the request.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does not approve, the request for \$1,200 to become one of 10 Community partners in the Tourism Adaptation Strategy Study, with 90% of funding for the study to be provided FedNor and Destination Northern Ontario. The study will provide access to a minimum of \$2,000 in signage with the remainder going to 2021 signage for tourism hot spots in immediate need as identified by the study.

CARRIED.

2020 MANAGEMENT REVIEW MINUTES, Oct. 1, 2019 – July 31, 2020 OCWA

MOTION: 2021-057

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been presented with the 2020 Management Review minutes for the review period of October 1, 2019 – July 21, 2020 from OCWA.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the 2020 Management Review minutes for the review period of October 1, 2019 – July 21, 2020 from OCWA.

CARRIED.

SBM WATER TREATMENT ANNUAL REPORT January 1 – December 31, 2020

MOTION: 2021 – 058

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Rick Gordon

WHEREAS Council has been presented with the South Baymouth Water Treatment Annual Report, January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 from OCWA,

AND WHEREAS the report concludes that the South Baymouth water treatment plant delivers water that, in all its treated and distribution samples, indicated the water to be free of bacteriological contamination and was able to meet the demand of water use without exceeding the PTTW m³/d allowance or the MDWL.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the South Baymouth Water Treatment Annual Report, January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 from OCWA.

CARRIED.

PLANNING BOARD – OFFICIAL PLAN RESERVE FUNDS

MOTION: 2021-059

Moved by: Eric Russell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Council has been presented with an email from The Manitoulin Planning Board dated February 11, 2021 from Theresa Carlisle, regarding approximately \$8,000 in the OP Reserve, requesting that Council provide opinion/thoughts of moving the funds to a new project,

AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed and discussed the email,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council would like to see the balance of the funds equitably distributed to all participating Municipalities for the reduction of their overall Planning Board Fees.

CARRIED.



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INSURANCE for BRIDGES/CULVERTS

MOTION: 2021 – 060

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been provided an update to the cost of the insurance premium to provide insurance for bridges and culverts,

AND WHEREAS Motion 2021-029 approved the cost at \$1,000. for bridge / culvert coverage and \$456 for flood coverage

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the reduction of bridges / culverts covered, (as listed) under the policy, with the premium cost being \$1,000 and the cost for flood coverage at \$250.

CARRIED.

LIBRARY BOARD VACANCY

MOTION: 2021-061

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Council has been provided with an email the TehkummaH Township Public Library dated February 27, 2021 indicating that Motion 21-04 recommends Ginger (Virginia) Mead/Cranston be accepted to fill the library board position,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Council approves the recommendation of Ginger (Virginia) Mead/Cranston to fill the library board position.

CARRIED.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION: 2021 – 062

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS the following Correspondence has been presented:

- a) Letter from Michael Mantha, MPP Algoma-Manitoulin, January 27, 2021 to Hon. Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General, re closing of Gravenhurst Fire College
- d) AMCTO Letter to Municipal Councils, February 18, 2021
- e) FONOM Media Release, February 4, 2021
- f) DSSAB Press Release re NOSDA partnership
- g) Support Resolutions:
 - a. Closure of Ontario Fire College – OPSEU Local 317 representing workers of OFC.
 - b. Amendments to the Municipal Elections Act – *Township of The Archipelago*
 - c. Universal Paid Sick Days in Ontario – *City of St. Catharines*
 - d. COVID-19 Funding Support – *Gore Bay Provincial Offences Office*
 - e. Prioritize Children and Childcare as part of the Post Pandemic Recovery Plan – *Township of Perry*

BE IT RESOLVED that Council directs staff to note, file or respond to the correspondence as directed.

CARRIED.



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16. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

MOTION: 2021 – 063

Moved by: Rick Gordon

Seconded by: Eric Russell

WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, Chapter 24, as amended, requires a municipal Council to exercise its powers by By-law, except where otherwise required,

AND WHEREAS Council or a Committee of Council often authorizes action to be taken which does not lend itself to an individual By-law,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT BYLAW 2021–009, the Confirmatory Bylaw, be given a First, Second, Third and final reading as attached and passed as of this date.

CARRIED.

17. ADJOURNMENT


MOTION: 2021 – 064


Moved by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS the business of the Regular Meeting of Council has concluded,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:15 pm until the next Meeting of Council on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 7:00 pm, or at the call of the chair or a majority of Council members.

CARRIED.


CHAIR: Reeve David Jaggard


CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR:
T. Silvio Berti

In Attendance

Warren SCHLOTE, *Manitoulin Expositor*