



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH  
Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023

**REGULAR IN-PERSON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Reeve John Deforge  
Councillor Perry Chatwell  
Councillor Lorie Leeson  
Councillor Mike McKenzie  
Deputy Reeve Steve Wood  
Fire Chief Jeff Wilson  
Acting Clerk / Administrator Barbara Grigg

**1. MEETING DECLARED OPEN**

**MOTION:** 2023-124  
**Moved by:** Lorie Leeson **Seconded by:** Steve Wood

WHEREAS there is a quorum of council present:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Regular In-Person Meeting of Council be opened for business at 7:05 p.m. with the Reeve presiding as Chair.

CARRIED

**2. PRAYER**

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** 2023-125  
**Moved by:** Mike McKenzie **Seconded by:** Perry Chatwell

WHEREAS Council has been provided the Agenda for the Regular In-Person Council meeting of May 2, 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this meeting be approved with the following additions requested by Mike McKenzie:

- Gerry Strong - letter to move to approve old Council chamber
- Drainage Supervisor Report on Cemetery Application
- Audit

CARRIED

- 4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None**
- 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- 6. DELEGATIONS/GUESTS – Doug McAnsh, Fire Volunteer**
- 7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** 2023-091  
**Moved by:** Perry Chatwell **Seconded by:** Mike McKenzie

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the minutes, as follows:

February 7, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
April 11, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
April 21, 2023 Special Council Meeting Minutes

CARRIED



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**c) External Reports**

MOTION: 2023-132

Moved by: Steve Wood

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

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

- a. OCWA Reports: Lab Services – April 4 and 18, 2023  
Certificate of Analysis –April 6 and 27, 2023  
Workorder Summary Reports – WTP and Lagoon – March 1 to 31, 2023

CARRIED

**10. REGULAR ITEMS**

**a. Gravel Tender**

MOTION: 2023-133

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS 2 tenders for the supply of ¾" granular A tailgate spread gravel have been received;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the tender submission from Mike Varey at a bid cost of \$22.27 per cubic meter (¾" Granular A Tailgate Spread) – providing it passes spec.

CARRIED

**b. Appointment of Property Standards Committee**

MOTION: 2023-134

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Steve Wood

WHEREAS at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on March 8, 2023 a recommendation was made that Council assume the role of the Property Standards Committee;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council assume the role of the Property Standards Committee.

CARRIED

**c. Appointment of Museum Curator**

MOTION: 2023-135

Moved by: Steve Wood

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS it is necessary to have a Curator for The Little Schoolhouse and Museum in South Baymouth;

AND WHEREAS no applications were received for the position as advertised;

AND WHEREAS Loretta Mucha is willing to step back from her position on the Museum Board and has expressed an interest in assuming the Curator position on a temporary basis;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves Loretta Mucha stepping back from her position on the Museum Board and that she be appointed as the Museum Curator on a temporary basis until a Curator is hired.

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**d. Hiring of Administrative Assistant**

MOTION: 2023-136

Moved by: Steve Wood

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Special Council meetings were held on April 21 and April 26, 2023 to shortlist and interview potential candidates for the Administrative Assistant position;

AND WHEREAS 3 people were interviewed for the position;

BE IT RESOLVED that Dara Mussar be hired for a full-time Administrative Assistant position - pending Criminal Record Check. May 15, 2023 start date.

Hours are to be increased to 35 hrs/week as soon as available.

CARRIED

**e. FONOM Conference May 7-10, 2023 Registration**

MOTION: 2023-137

Moved by: Steve Wood

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS the FONOM (Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities) conference is to be held in Parry Sound from May 7 to 10, 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Reeve attend the conference on behalf of the Township.

CARRIED

**f. Marina Signage**

MOTION: 2023-138

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Perry Chatwell

New signage to be posted re Marina rates requested.

BE IT RESOLVED that Marina signage was approved by Council.

CARRIED

**g. Children's Cemetery – South Baymouth**

**h. Council Chambers**

MOTION: 2023-139

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Perry Chatwell

Council directs Gerry Strong to provide Council a letter explaining what is required to use the Council Chambers as a meeting room.

CARRIED

**i. Firehall Room**

MOTION: 2023-140

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

IT IS RESOLVED that Council does not use the Fire Department room for Council meetings.

CARRIED

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**j. Audit**

MOTION: 2023-141

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Perry Chatwell

THAT our Auditors provide us in writing when they will have our audit done.

CARRIED

**11. DEFERRED ITEMS**

- a) Request from Gerard Lyons – water August filling station tap – South Baymouth
- b) Request from Michael's Bay Hist. Society re Property Tax Exemption

**12. CORRESPONDENCE**

MOTION: 2023-142

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS the following Correspondence has been presented:

a) Support Resolutions:

- Letter to Doug Downey, Ministry of Attorney General from POA office  
in Gore Bay

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

CARRIED

**13. CLOSED SESSION – n/a**

**14. REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**15. MOTION**

**16. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

MOTION: 2023-143

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Steve Wood

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 2023-014 the Confirmatory Bylaw, be given a First, Second, Third and final reading as attached and passed as of this date.

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17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 2023-144  
Moved by: Lorie Leeson

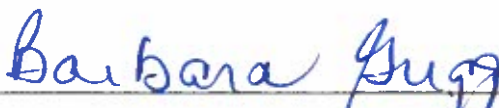
WHEREAS the business of the Regular In-Person Meeting of Council has concluded.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:46 pm until the next Meeting of Council:

Regular Meeting on June 6, 2023 at 7:00 pm or at the call of the chair or a majority of Council members.

CARRIED

  
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CHAIR: Reeve John Deforge

  
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Acting Clerk / Administrator Barbara Grigg

**In attendance:**

Doug McAnsh, Fire Department volunteer  
Lori Gordon  
Lori McAnsh  
Betty Russell  
Tara Reckahn  
D.K. Siberry  
Evan McGauley  
Maurice Sagle  
Chrissy Wilson  
Daisy Moise  
Robert Moise