



THE CORPORATION OF TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH
Tuesday, September 19, 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
Administrative Assistant Dara Mussar

1. MEETING DECLARED OPEN

MOTION: 2023-252
Moved by: Perry Chatwell **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 7:02 p.m. with the Reeve presiding as Chair.

CARRIED

2. Prayer

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: 2023-253
Moved by: Steve Wood **Seconded by:** Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Council has been provided the Agenda for the Regular In-Person Council meeting of September 19, 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this meeting be approved.

CARRIED

5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – one declared

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – none

**7. DELEGATIONS/GUESTS – Zachary Courtemanche, Integrity Commissioner
Weaver Simmons
Response to Complaint filed – by ZOOM**

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: 2023-254
Moved by: Perry Chatwell **Seconded by:** Lorie Leeson

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the August 22, 2023 minutes **ONLY**

August 1, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes ->> **DEFERRED**
August 22, 2023 Special Council Meeting Minutes

CARRIED

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9. BYLAWS: WATER/SEWER BY LAW 2023-026

MOTION: 2023-255

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Council has been presented with Bylaw 2023–026 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 it is necessary to increase the water/sewer rates by 2.5% for 2023, 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

10. CONSENT ITEMS

a) Reports of Officials

i) Fire Chief's Report – July/August, 2023

MOTION: 2023-256

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been provided with the Fire Chief's Report for July/August, 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Fire Chief's Report for July/August 2023.

CARRIED

MOTION: 2023-257

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Evan Lewis has made a request to join the Fire Department;

AND WHEREAS Kye Tgee has moved away from the area;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the addition of Evan Lewis to the roster of volunteer firefighters and the removal of Kye Tgee from the roster.

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MOTION: 2023-258
Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS the First Response Team is in the process of doing First Response training which is required every 3 years to keep present members current and bring new members up to the required level of training for them to be a full member of the team and respond to medical calls;

AND WHEREAS 5 new members need full training and 12 members need recertification;

BE IT RESOLVED that MSDSB (Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board) be approached regarding continuing to cover training costs for 16 First Response volunteer positions.

CARRIED

ii) Treasurer's Reports – Accounts Payable – June 1 to 30, 2023; July 1 to 31, 2023; August 1 to 31, 2023

MOTION: 2023-259
Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been provided with the Treasurer's Report, as follows:

Accounts Payable: June 1 – 30, 2023 in the amount of \$159,917.69

July 1 - 31, 2023 in the amount of \$243,963.27

and August 1 - 31, 2023 in the amount of \$94,492.28;

Bank Reconciliation – June 1 – 30, 2023; July 1 – 31, 2023; and August 1 – 31, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED that Council confirms the Accounts Payable from June 1 – 30, 2023 in the amount of \$159,917.69; July 1 – 31, 2023 in the amount of \$243,963.27 and August 1 - 31, 2023 in the amount of \$94,492.28 and the Bank Reconciliations for June, July, and August, 2023.

CARRIED

iii) Health and Safety Report – July/August/September, 2023

MOTION: 2023-260
Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS Council has been provided with the Health and Safety Report for July/August/September, 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Health and Safety Report for July/August/September, 2023.

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b) Reports of Boards and Committees – NONE

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c) External Reports

MOTION: 2023-261

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Steve Wood

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

- a) OCWA Reports: - Lab Services – July 26, August 9, 22, September 6, 2023
 - Certificate of Analysis – July 31, August 11, 14, 24, September 11, 2023
 - Workorder Summary Reports – WTP and Lagoon July 1 to 31, 2023 and August 1 to 31, 2023
- b) Manitoulin Planning Board Minutes of Meeting – August 22, 2023

CARRIED

11. REGULAR ITEMS

a. Boundary Line Agreement between Assiginack and Tehkummah

MOTION: 2023-262

Moved by: Lorie Leeson

Seconded by Steve Wood

WHEREAS a Boundary Line Agreement entered into in 1983 between the Township of Assiginack and the Township of Tehkummah for the repair and maintenance of a boundary line roadway has expired;

AND WHEREAS the Clerk for the Township of Assiginack has submitted a draft Agreement Between Adjoining Municipalities Municipal Road Maintenance for Council's review and consideration;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Township of Tehkummah approve the changes to the existing agreement, as presented, and advise the Township of Assiginack of the approval and prepare a Bylaw for presentation at the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

b. Winter Sand Tenders

MOTION: 2023-263

Moved by: Steve Wood

Seconded by: Perry Chatwell

WHEREAS a Tender 2023-03 for the supply, delivery and stockpile of 1,500 cubic meters of screened winter sand was issued with the salt to be supplied by the Township;

AND WHEREAS 2 Tender responses have been received, as follows:

Mike Varey & Son Excavating	\$19.89 per cubic metre	\$29,835.00
	Plus HST	3,878.55
	TOTAL	\$33,713.25
E. Corbiere & Sons Contracting	\$21.50 per cubic metre	\$32,250.00
	Plus HST	4,192.50
	TOTAL	\$36,442.50

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts **Mike Varey & Son Excavating's** Tender response for the supply, delivery and stockpile of 1,500 cubic metres of screened winter sand.

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c. Transfer of Fairview United Church property to adjoining landowner

MOTION: 2023-264

Moved by: Mike McKenzie

Seconded by: Perry Chatwell

WHEREAS Fairview United Church wishes to convey the Church building located at 310B Hwy 542A to the adjoining landowner located at 310A Hwy 542A through an application for lot addition submitted to the Planning Board;

AND WHEREAS the location and size of the church does not conform to the Township's bylaw regarding accessory structures;

BE IT RESOLVED that a site specific bylaw be drawn up to allow for the Church to be used as an accessory use to the existing residence given that it would be located in the front yard and exceeds the height restriction for accessory structures;

AND BE IT RESOLVED that the setback from the existing cemetery be 3 feet on the west side of the building;

CARRIED

d. Extra bins for Landfill – GFL prices to be reviewed

MOTION: 2023-265

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS the cardboard recycling bin is constantly in an overflow situation at the Landfill, particularly during the summer season;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to have another bin in place;

BE IT RESOLVED that another bin obtained from GFL Environmental Inc. at a cost of \$200 per bin for delivery and a monthly rental charge of \$100 for the summer season from May to October;

DEFERRED to February, 2024

e. Doctor shortage on Manitoulin Island

MOTION: 2023-266

Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Lorie Leeson

WHEREAS correspondence has been received from the Manitoulin Health Centre seeking prompt practical solutions for the health crisis on Manitoulin Island, particularly in Mindemoya;

Mindemoya has in excess of 10,000 ER visits per year and desperately needs to have a substantial increase in physicians;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council supports the need for more Doctors and directs staff to prepare and circulate the draft letter provided to Minister Jones.

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f. Tehkumma Triangle Senior Citizen's Club Lease Renewal

MOTION: 2023-267
Moved by: Perry Chatwell

Seconded by: Mike McKenzie

WHEREAS Councillor Mike McKenzie presented a letter from the Tehkumma Triangle Senior Citizen's Club requesting the renewal of their lease;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees to extend the Tehkumma Triangle Senior Citizen's Club lease for another 10 years and directs staff to use the previous lease agreement as is.

CARRIED

- 12. DEFERRED ITEMS – none
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE - none
- 14. CLOSED SESSION – N/A
- 15. REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION – N/A
- 16. MOTION – none

17. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

MOTION: 2023-268
Moved by: Steve Wood

Seconded by: Perry Chatwell

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 2023-027 the Confirmatory Bylaw, be given a First, Second, Third and final reading as attached and passed as of this date.

CARRIED

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 2023-269
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 8:52 pm until the next Meeting of Council:

Regular Meeting on Tuesday October 3rd, 2023 at 7:00 pm

CARRIED


CHAIR: Reeve John Deforge


Acting Clerk / Administrator Barbara Grigg

In attendance:
David Jaggard
Eric Russell
Rick Gordon