



## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**March 5, 2025**

**1:00 pm**

The meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan was held at the Magnetawan Community Centre on Wednesday March 5, 2025, with the following present:

Mayor Sam Dunnett  
Councillor Bill Bishop  
Councillor Jon Hind  
Councillor Brad Kneller

Regrets:

Deputy Mayor John Hetherington

Staff: CAO/Clerk Kerstin Vroom, Deputy Clerk Recreation and Communications Laura Brandt, and Deputy Clerk Planning and Development Erica Kellogg were present for the entire meeting. Public Works Superintendent Scott Edwards was present for his respective section in the meeting.

### **OPENING BUSINESS**

#### **1.1 Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### **1.2 Adoption of the Agenda**

*RESOLUTION 2025-44 Bishop-Kneller*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts the agenda as presented.*

*Carried.*

#### **1.3 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

Mayor Sam Dunnett stated that should anyone have a disclosure of pecuniary interest that they could declare the nature thereof now or at any time during the meeting.

#### **1.4 Adoption of the Previous Minutes**

*RESOLUTION 2025-45 Hind-Bishop*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts the minutes of the Council meeting on February 12, 2025, and Planning Act Public Meeting on February 12, 2025, as copied and circulated.*

*Carried.*

## **PLANNING ACT MEETING**

### **Consent Application – Longhurst – 28 River Road**

#### **RESOLUTION 2025-46 Kneller-Hind**

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan recesses the regular meeting to hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 53 of the Planning Act to consider a Consent Application for the creation of one new lot described as:*

- *Longhurst – Consent Application*

*Carried.*

#### **RESOLUTION 2025-47 Hind-Bishop**

*WHEREAS the Municipality of Magnetawan has received a request to support an application for consent to create 2 new lots located on River Road which is a municipal road, Magnetawan (Longhurst 4944 010 00207800000). The property is legally described as CON 8 LOT 26 in the former Township of Chapman hereinafter referred to as “the Lands”;*

*WHEREAS the Municipal planning consultant has provided a report in support of the application with conditions;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee of Adjustment for the Municipality of Magnetawan supports the consent application for the Lands, subject to the following conditions:*

- *That the foregoing conditions be fulfilled within two years of the notice of decision of the Committee of Adjustment;*
- *Draft Reference Plan to be approved by the Municipality prior to registration;*
- *Two (2) true certified paper copies of the registered plan and an electronic version for the proposed severed lot by an Ontario Land Surveyor with a certification that it is a true copy be provided to the Municipality for review and approval which conforms substantially with the application as submitted;*
- *Draft copy of the deeds (with all schedules) to be approved by the Municipality prior to registration;*
- *A copy of the original executed transfer (deed) with all schedules be provided to the Municipality;*
- *Confirmation from the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority (NBMCA) that the proposed Severed Lot 1 and the Severed Lot 2 can be adequately serviced by individual on-site septic systems;*
- *Payment of all taxes, municipal legal fees, planning fees and fees as per the current Fees and Charges By-law, Park Land Dedication By-law and all other fees associated with the processing of these applications;*
- *That the Applicant receive conformation from the Municipality of a suitable location for an entrance to the severed lots from River Road;*
- *That a Zoning By-law Amendment be submitted to rezone the proposed Retained Lot to comply with the minimum lot size and minimum lot frontage in the Zoning By-law for the Rural Residential (RR) Zone.*
- *That any portion of the travelled road (River Road) be surveyed and dedicated to the Municipality, to the satisfaction of the Municipality.*

*Carried.*

#### **RESOLUTION 2025-48 Bishop-Kneller**

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adjourns the Planning Act public meeting and returns to the regular meeting.*

*Carried.*

## **STAFF REPORTS, MOTIONS AND DISCUSSION**

### **2.1 Stop Up & Close – Unopened Road Allowance Between CON 8 LOT 26 AND Con 8 LOT 25 CHAPMAN - Longhurst**

*RESOLUTION 2025-49 Hind-Bishop*

*WHEREAS the Municipality of Magnetawan has received a Stop Up and Close application for the exchange of an Unopened Road Allowance from Diane and Russell Longhurst between CON 8 LOT 26 AND CON 8 LOT 25 CHAPMAN (LONGHURST);*

*AND WHEREAS the Municipality of Magnetawan would take ownership of the portion of River Road that traverses the applicants' lands;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves in principle the exchange of lands listed above with the following provisions:*

- The exchange of the 'road allowance' will be at no cost to the applicant for the lands only;*
- The cost of surveying the necessary lands, and any and all costs will be borne by the applicant;*
- The transferred road allowance (River Road) to the Municipality is to be a minimum of 66 feet in width;*

*That the transferred unopened road allowance be consolidated with the applicants' lands.*

*Carried.*

### **2.2 DRAFT Deeming By-law Heimbecker – Plan 319 being Parts 1 & 3 42R-22464**

*RESOLUTION 2025-50 Kneller-Hind*

*WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of Magnetawan supported an application for a Stop Up, Close and Sell of an original Shoreline Road Allowance known as Plan 319 being Parts 1 & 3 42R-22464 (Heimbecker);*

*AND WHEREAS, Council for the Municipality of Magnetawan after hosting the Public Meeting passed By-law No. 2024-27 to Stop Up, Close and Sell;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan supports in principle the deeming together of Lot A W/S King Street, Lot 12 W/S King Street and Lot 12 E/S Queen Street and all in Plan 319 a by-law on the matter will be passed later in this meeting.*

*Carried.*

### **2.3 DRAFT Consent Agreement (Site Plan Agreement) - Muszynski – 659 Nelson Lake Road**

*RESOLUTION 2025-51 Bishop-Hind*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the DRAFT Consent Agreement (Site Plan Agreement) - Muszynski – 659 Nelson Lake Road as presented, and the by-law on this matter will be passed later in the meeting.*

*Carried.*

### **2.4 DRAFT Consent Agreement (Site Plan Agreement) - Cordua– 184 Silver Lake Road**

*RESOLUTION 2025-52 Hind-Kneller*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the DRAFT Consent Agreement (Site Plan Agreement) - Cordua – 184 Silver Lake Road as presented, and the by-law on this matter will be passed later in the meeting.*

*Carried.*

**2.5 DRAFT Consent Agreement (Limited Services Agreement) - Jolic– 5993B Highway 124**

*RESOLUTION 2025-53 Kneller-Bishop*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the DRAFT Consent Agreement (Limited Services Agreement) - Jolic – 5993B Highway 124 as presented, and the by-law on this matter will be passed later in the meeting. Carried.*

**2.6 Magnetawan Economic Tourism Committee Recruitment Package**

*RESOLUTION 2025-54 Bishop-Hind*

*WHEREAS the Magnetawan Economic Tourism Committee seeks to fill two Member vacancies;*

*AND WHEREAS; the Magnetawan Economic Tourism Committee respectfully requests Council approve the recruitment package to be circulated to the community through Municipal platforms;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the recruitment package and the circulation to the community to fill current vacancies.*

*Carried.*

**2.7 Pinchin Feasibility Study for Provision of Hydro Electric Power Chapman Waste Disposal Site**

*RESOLUTION 2025-55 Kneller-Bishop*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan receives the correspondence Pinchin Feasibility Study for Provision of Hydro Electric Power Chapman Waste Disposal Site for information purposes only.*

*Carried.*

**2.8 Ontario SPCA and Humane Society Shared Agreement**

*RESOLUTION 2025-56 Bishop-Hind*

*WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan passed By-law 2020-42 to enter into an agreement with the Bracebridge Office of the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society from June 29, 2020 to June 30, 2023 with a remuneration paid to the Society for its services for a total of \$357.35 annually with an annual increase by the CPI;*

*AND WHEREAS upon the expiry of this agreement, the Bracebridge Office of the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society notified Staff that costs associated with the renewal of the pound agreement would be increasing to an annual charge of \$5,000 plus additional costs;*

*AND WHEREAS the Bracebridge Office of the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society is agreeable to enter into a shared services agreement with our Municipality and surrounding Municipalities;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality Magnetawan is in favour of entering into a shared services agreement with the Township of Ryerson, Village of Sundridge Township of Armour, McMurrich Township, Machar Township and the Town of Kearney for pound services with the Bracebridge Office of the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society for a 3 year term, with a 60 day escape clause at a cost of \$3,500 annually per municipality.*

*Carried.*

**2.9 Report from Deputy Clerk Laura Brandt, outcome of Magnetawan Leekfest Mascot Contest**

*RESOLUTION 2025-57 Kneller-Hind*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan receives and approves the report Outcome of the Magnetawan Leekfest Mascot Contest from Deputy Clerk Laura Brandt and approves the recommendations contained therein to incorporate the slogan "I had a leak in Magnetawan";*

*AND FURTHER THAT Council chooses Submission 3 (back) as the winning mascot design.*  
*Carried.*

Direction was given to Staff to contact the submission 3 artist to make the leek mascot slenderer, add roots more similar to a wild leek and to incorporate the new slogan into the drawing.

**MUNICIPAL BOARD AND COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**3.1 District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board (DSAAB) Chief Administrative Officer's Report February 2025**

**3.2 Magnetawan Economic Tourism Committee (METC) Minutes February 4, 2025**

**3.3 Almaguin Highlands Health Centre 9AHHC) Minutes February 6, 2025**

*RESOLUTION 2025-58 Bishop-Kneller*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan receives the Municipal Boards and Committee Minutes as copied and circulated.*

*Carried.*

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**4.1 Township of Uxbridge Implementation of "Buy Canadian Policy"**

**4.2 Free Tai Chi Wednesdays with Hugh Poster**

**4.3 Seniors Free Intergenerational Field Trip Series Science North Poster**

**4.4 ICYMI Council Highlights February 12, 2025**

*RESOLUTION 2025-59 Kneller-Bishop*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan receives the correspondence items as copied and circulated;*

*AND FURTHER endorses the following motions:*

**4.1 Township of Uxbridge Implementation of "Buy Canadian Policy"**

*Carried.*

**ACCOUNTS**

**5.1 Accounts in the amount of \$636,657.11**

*RESOLUTION 2025-60 Hind-Kneller*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the accounts in the amount of \$636,657.11 as presented.*

*Carried.*

## **BY-LAWS**

- 6.1 Deeming By-law Heimbecker – Plan 319 Parts 1 & 3 42R-22464
- 6.2 Consent Agreement (Site Plan Agreement) - Muszynski – 659 Nelson Lake Road
- 6.3 Consent Agreement (Site Plan Agreement) - Cordua– 184 Silver Lake Road
- 6.4 Consent Agreement (Limited Services Agreement) - Jolic– 5993B Highway 124

*RESOLUTION 2025-61 Kneller-Hind*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan that the following by-laws are now read a first, second and a third time, passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the by-law book:*

- 6.1 Deeming By-law Heimbecker - Plan 319 being Parts 1 & 3 42R-22464
- 6.2 Consent Agreement - Muszynski - 659 Nelson Lake Road
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*Carried.*

## **CONFIRMING BY-LAW AND ADJOURNMENT**

- 7.1 Confirm the Proceedings of Council and Adjourn

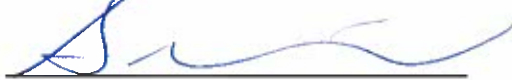
*RESOLUTION 2025-62 Bishop-Hind*

*BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan that the Confirming By-law is now read a first, second and a third time, passed, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the by-law book;*

*AND FURTHER THAT, this meeting is now adjourned at 1:45 pm to meet again on Wednesday March 26, 2025, at 1:00 pm or at the call of the Chair.*

*Carried.*

Approved by:



Mayor



Clerk