# Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan Incorporated 2000 District of Parry Sound

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# **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** February 26, 2020

The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan was held at the Magnetawan Community Centre on Wednesday, February 26th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Sam Dunnett Deputy Mayor Tim Brunton was absent with regrets Councillor John Hetherington Councillor Brad Kneller Councillor Wayne Smith

Staff: Kerstin Vroom, CAO/Clerk, and Nicole Gourlay, Deputy Clerk, were present for the entire meeting. Scott Edwards, Public Works Superintendent, was present for his respective section.

# STANDARD BUSINESS

- Call to Order 1.1
  - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

RESOLUTION 2020-38 Kneller-Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts the agenda as copied and circulated. Carried.

- 1.3 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
  - Mayor 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 Previous Minutes

RESOLUTION 2020-39 Hetherington-Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan adopts the minutes of February 5th and February 12th 2020 as copied and circulated. Carried.

# PLANNING MEETING

Zoning By-law Amendment – Smith – 85 Nipissing Road

RESOLUTION 2020-40 Smith-Kneller

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan recesses the regular meeting to hold a public meeting pursuant to Sections 34 of the Planning Act to consider: Zoning By-law Amendment to rezone a proposed severed lot from Rural to Rural Residential – Smith – 85 Nipissing Rd S.

Carried.

A public meeting was held on this matter. There were no comments from the gallery. The Applicant's Agent addressed Council.

RESOLUTION 2020-41 Kneller-Smith

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 DISCUSSIONS

2.1 Meridian Fuels re: Municipal Yard Fuel

RESOLUTION 2020-42 Kneller-Hetherington

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan appreciates the correspondence from Meridian Fuels regarding being included in a fuel tendering process and directs the Public Works Superintendent to bring a report back to Council concerning RFP for Fuel. Carried.

2.2 Report from Scott Edwards, Public Works Superintendent, Bridge 18 Accounts

RESOLUTION 2020-43 Hetherington-Kneller

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the report and the overages on the Bridge 18 project from Public Works Superintendent.

Carried.

2.3 Refund Request of Statutory Holdback, Bridge 18

RESOLUTION 2020-44 Smith-Hetherington

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan understands that the work for Bridge 18 has not yet been completed;

AND WHEREAS Tulloch Engineering the project manager for Bridge 18, has requested that the Municipality of Magnetawan release the mandatory 10% holdback in the amount of \$48,747.78; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes the Public Works Superintendent to release \$0.00 and holdback remainder until the work has been completed in the spring of 2020.

Carried.

2.4 North Section of Gordon Point Road Renaming Results

RESOLUTION 2020-45 Hetherington-Smith

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan accepts the report from the Deputy Clerk regarding the renaming of the northern section of Gordon Point Road and directs the Deputy Clerk to bring back a by-law to the next meeting to change the name of specified section of Gordon Point Road.

Carried.

### 2.5 Draft Fees By-law

RESOLUTION 2020-46 Smith-Kneller

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the Draft Fees and Changes By-law report from the Deputy Clerk. Carried.

2.6 Draft By-law re: Accounting Treatment for Tangible Capital Assets

RESOLUTION 2020-47 Hetherington-Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves and accepts the Draft Accounting Treatment for Tangible Capital Assets. Carried.

2.7 Consent Support in Principle: Stevenson, 46 Thompson Road This item was deferred to a future meeting at the request of the Applicant.

2.8 Discussion Stop op Sell Road Allowance – Hoskins, North Water Street

RESOLUTION 2020-48 Smith-Kneller

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan regarding the 'Stop up, Close and Sell Road Allowance – Hoskin', after holding its public meeting, agrees to pass the bylaw later in the meeting with the understanding that the road allowance lands are merged on title at the time of transfer with the purchaser's abutting lot that was specified by the Municipal Solicitor in his letter to the applicant.

Carried.

### 2.9 Motion re: City of Sarnia

RESOLUTION 2020-49 Hetherington-Kneller

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan endorses the City of Sarnia's resolution passed January 24 2020 to "halt the construction of the Deep Geological Repository, in the Bruce Peninsula so that less dangerous solutions can be found for the longer storage Nuclear Waist";

AND FURTHER THAT, this resolution be forwarded to the City of Sarnia as well as the Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change. Carried.

### 2.10 Motion from Strong re: Health Unit Funding

RESOLUTION 2020-50 Kneller-Hetherington

WHEREAS the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit has advised municipalities of the following changes in the funding formula;

- Change from 25/75 municipal/provincial to 30/70 for mandatory programs and;
- Change from 100% provincial funding to 30/70 for a number of other related programs

AND WHEREAS these changes will result in a 42% increase in the municipal levy, commencing in 2021, with no increased service delivery;

AND WHEREAS small rural Northern Ontario municipalities do not have the financial resources to fund this 42% increase;

- With sparse populations and small tax bases make it difficult to raise the requisite funds, and also provide core mandated municipal services to residents and;
- Residents annual income is well below the provincial poverty level, with many on fixed incomes and raising municipal property taxes will create significant hardship:

AND WHEREAS our municipalities support the Health Unit's mission "To foster health living within our communities by preventing illness, promoting healthy choices, and providing trusted support and information",

• Hence, we reiterate that we want to remain under auspices of the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, and under the Rural & Northern Ontario designation.

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is currently reviewing the mandate and operations of Public Health units;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Magnetawan requests that Jim Pine, facilitator of the Public Health Modernization consultants, review the current funding formula for Public Health and Rural & Northern Ontario municipalities; proposing exemptions, for the province to implement for 2021;

AND FURTHER THAT we contend that Public Health, as a pillar of our Ontario Health Care system, be funded through regular provincial taxation, not municipal property taxation;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution will be circulated back to Strong Township in endorsement as well as to the Minister of Health, Minister of Long Term Care, MPP Norm Miller, MPP Vic Fedeli, Ontario Health Board Chair, FONOM Chair, NOMA Chair, AMO Chair, and the North bay Parry Sound District Health Unit.

Carried.

2.11 Discussion on Short Term Rentals

Council gave direction to Staff to prepare a report for consideration at a future meeting.

# **MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES MINUTES**

3.1 Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED), July 15, 2019

RESOLUTION 2020-51 Hetherington-Smith

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 Draft 2019 POA Summary of Operations
- 4.2 Tribunals Ontario Fee Increases
- 4.3 Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities Conference

RESOLUTION 2020-52 Kneller-Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan receives the Correspondence as copied and circulated.

Carried.

## APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

5.1 Accounts in the amount of \$345,756.37

RESOLUTION 2020-53 Smith-Hetherington

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the accounts in the amount of \$345,756.37 as presented.

Carried

# **BY-LAWS**

- 6.1 Approve a Policy re: Tangible Capital Assets
- 6.2 Establish Fees and Charges
- 6.3 Stop up, Close and Sell Road Allowance Hoskins, North Water Street
- 6.4 Zoning By-Law Amendment Smith 85 Nipissing Road

# RESOLUTION 2020-54 Kneller-Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT by the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan that the following bylaws 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 Approve a Policy re: Tangible Capital Assets
- 6.2 2020 Fees and Charges By-law
- 6.3 Stop up, Close and Sell Road Allowance Hoskins, North Water Street
- 6.4 Zoning By-law Amendment to Amend Zoning By-law 2001-26, as amended Smith 85 Nipissing Road S
  Carried.

# CONFIRMING BY-LAW AND ADJOURNMENT

7.1 Confirm the Proceedings of Council and Adjourn

RESOLUTION 2020-55 Hetherington-Kneller

BE IT RESOLVED THAT by Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan that the Confirming bylaw 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 regular meeting is now adjourned at 7:00pm to meet again on Wednesday March 18:2020 at 1:00pm or at the call of the Chair.

Carried.

Approved by:

Mayor

Clerk