The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday June 2nd 2015 at 7pm in the Morson Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor: V Pizey, Councillors: C Fadden, G Anderson, W Lundgren & J Moen. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt was absent. Sandra & Curt Berg attended in support of their minor variance application.

A PUBLIC MEETING was held to consider a minor variance application by Sandra (Shrumm) Berg to reduce the Exterior Side Yard Requirement on Lot 1 SM292. The Clerk-Treasurer reported that the application for a minor variance was published in the Rainy River Record as required. The Clerk-Treasurer gave a review of the application and its implications, the proponent spoke in favor of the application and answered questions of the committee members, no other public comments were received.

VARIANCE #15-51 FADDEN & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Minor Variance Application 46A1501, Sandra Berg, be granted provisional approval in accordance with the attached decision of the Committee of Adjustment.

The meeting was closed at 7:12 p.m.

The regular Council held a public meeting to review the User Fees and the proposed 2015 Budget & Tax Rates, this portion closed at 7:30 with no public input then the regular Council meeting followed The residential tax rate will increase by .98% the first increase since 2004 & due to RRDSSAB & OPP increased costs.

- MINUTES #15-52 ANDERSON & FADDEN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 5th, 2015, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #15-53 MOEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$125,420.44 representing disbursements for the month of May be approved for payment. COUNCILLOR FADDEN DECLARED A CONFLICT AS HER SPOUSE WORKS FOR MILLER CONTRACTING.
- BY-LAW 298 #15-54 MOEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that By-law No 298, being The Miscellaneous User Fees By-law, be enacted.
- BY-LAW 299 #15-55 FADDEN & ANDERSON & CARRIED that By-law No 299, being The 2015 Budget & Tax Levying By-law, be enacted.
- SIGNS 15-56 ANDERSON & FADDEN & CARRIED that Council authorize the renewal of the Canadian TODS Limited permits for "Public Beach" the following signs 1 on Hwy 621 and 2 signs on Hwy 11 and payment in the amount of \$518.67. The payment is the fee for 1 year.
- ECO DEV 15-57 MOEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Valerie Pizey be appointed to represent Lake of the Woods on the joint economic development officer project with Rainy River and Dawson.

BOATS

15-58 FADDEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorize a request proposals for the sale of our two boats, motors & trailers. Highest nor any proposal not necessarily accepted. The ad to be in the Westend Weekly for 1 week and proposals are to be received by July 7th 2015 4pm..

OTHER

The Rd Supt was absent, council concerned about why Hyw 621 did not have lines painted all the way to the end of the highway, removal of beaver dam refuse along the highway and bad bump on south end of Spruce Creek bridge, MTO is to be contacted for answers. The monthly CBO report was received and reviewed. The Fire Committee met on May 13th to review draft department guidelines, Frank has provided his comments on the review. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items: including that the fire board meeting of May 13th, POA funding receipt, a review of a draft for 2015 budget, certification for Note Taking as required by EMO, Council members and staff attended EMO training in Barwick on May 26. The Clerk-Treasurer circulated a report the Risk Reporter on Winter Road Maintenance issues. The Clerk-Treasurer circulated an amended report produced by the Twp. of Gillies showing various graphs for road expenditures. We will not attend a meeting in Rainy River to discuss a proposal for new library, curling club and arena.

The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on a proposed extension agreement for a property presently under Tax Sale the Clerk is authorized to sign an agreement and or the owner may submit full payment this week. Councillor Moen will attend dedication of the flag pole in Bergland Cemetery by the Peterson family June 22.

ADJOURN #15-59 ANDERSON & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Mayor ______Clerk