

The minutes of the inaugural meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday December 4th 2018 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: G Anderson, A Chojko-Bolec, N Gate, & W Lundgren. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt Ed Pearson.

OATH The Clerk-Treasurer administered the Declaration of Office to each member of Council and declared all members sworn in. The Mayor welcomed all members of Council. The Clerk-Treasurer lead a short orientation discussion related to the duties of Council members and relevant legislation, as well he outlined committees and council operations, including duty to declare interests in matters.

Council sat as the Committee of Adjustment to consider two applications for consent. The Clerk-Treasurer reviewed the applications, the notices that were given and answered questions regarding the applications. The Committee discussed and decided that neither application would be subject to the Parkland Tax Policy.

46B1802 #18-72 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that provisional approval be granted to severance application 46B1802 Bruce & Barb Pentney et al, with the attached 4 conditions. That pursuant to Section 4 a) of our Parkland Tax Valuation Policy this application be exempted from the requirement for payment of the Parkland Tax.

46B1803 #18-73 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that provisional approval be granted to severance application 46B1803 Mary Ridge et al, with the attached 4 conditions. That pursuant to Section 4 a) of our Parkland Tax Valuation Policy this application be exempted from the requirement for payment of the Parkland Tax.

MINUTES #18-74 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on November 6th 2018, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #18-75 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$123,575.82 representing disbursements for the month of November be approved for payment. **MAYOR FADDEN DECLARED A CONFLICT AS HER SPOUSE WORKS FOR MILLER CONTRACTING. COUNCILLOR LUNDGREN TOOK THE CHAIR FOR THIS ITEM.**

CANNABIS#18-76 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that pursuant to the Cannabis Licence Act 2018 the AGCO be advised that The Corporation of the Township of Lake of the Woods wishes to prohibit the establishment of cannabis retail stores within its boundaries.

INSURANCE #18-77 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that our insurance coverage be renewed for January 1st 2019 with BFL Canada.

TAXES #18-78 ANDERSON & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that pursuant to the Minutes of Settlement, Section 357 & attached listing the following tax write offs be approved: General \$3762.37 and Education \$455.35 for a total of \$4217.72.

OTHER The Rd Supt reported on the roads including the snowplowing operations and equipment maintenance. Council discussed the ongoing issue of Councillor Anderson with entrance permits applications and his request for refund of a deposit from a number of years ago. It was agreed that once his latest entrance (Olson Rd) is removed and the roadway repaired his deposit would be refunded and he will be responsible to obtain permits on all future right of way work and entrances, he was also reminded that the township does not allow loading pulpwood from the roadway. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including, a budget update, information on retail cannabis stores, the Ontario Main Street funding should be received shortly, applications for proceeds under Tax Sale to be paid out of Court have been made, tax sale notices and reminders notices were sent out, the interim audit was completed last week, OMERS changes were highlighted, the orientation package from RR Library was distributed and NWHU package will be emailed. A news release on Rainycrest services was received. MNR decision on decommissioning of Turtle Portage Railway Marine transfer system is postponed until next spring. The Mayor has appointed members to various committees and boards and the Clerk-Treasurer is to bring forward a resolution for passage at the next meeting.

ADJOURN #18-79 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:42 p.m. And the next meeting be held on January 3rd 2019.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk