

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday June 4th 2019 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers. Council also considered a draft budget.

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

MINUTES #19-56 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 7th 2019, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #19-57 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$199,885.01 representing disbursements for the month of May be approved for payment. **MAYOR FADDEN DECLARED A CONFLICT AS HER SPOUSE WORKS FOR MILLER CONTRACTING. COUNCILLOR LUNDGREN TOOK THE CHAIR FOR THIS ITEM.**

HALL #19-58 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council accepts the proposal from John Sinninghe to complete the work as outlined in the Request for 19-05 Bergland Community Hall Roofing Project. This being the only proposal received.

BY-LAW347 #19-59 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that By-law No 347, being Tax Collection Policy Adoption By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW348 #19-60 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that By-law 348, being the Asset Management Policy Adoption By-law, be enacted.

CLIMATE #19-61 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED **Background:** The Climate Change Action Plan and cap and trade program form the backbone of Ontario's [strategy](#) to cut greenhouse gas pollution to 15 per cent below 1990 levels by 2020, 37 per cent by 2030 and 80 per cent by 2050. The government will report on the plan's implementation annually and renew the plan every five years. The Climate Change Action Plan builds on Ontario's leadership in the fight against climate change, including setting a 2030 mid-term target for greenhouse gas pollution reduction, hosting the successful Climate Summit of the Americas in July 2015, ending coal-fired electricity generation, and electrifying and improving Ontario's commuter rail network. Ontario's total greenhouse gas emissions have dropped by 22 per cent since 2005 – even while the rest of Canada saw emissions increase by 3 per cent during that same time. On November 29, 2018 Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan was released that will:

- help protect our air, land and water
- address litter and reduce waste
- support Ontarians to continue doing their share to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- help communities and families prepare for climate change.

Council Recommendations:

Council has finalised following initiatives after careful consideration and taking the Community welfare and inputs in account:

- In the Transportation area Council encourages residential carpooling and further encourages residents to establish a walking routine.
- In the area of Buildings & Trees Council encourages residents to plant trees for tomorrow on their property and when considering new buildings that they use the latest design practises in order to achieve energy efficient buildings.
- In the area of waste residents are encouraged to grow and purchase locally grown foods and to join the Canada Post Red Dot Campaign.
- In the area of energy alternatives Council encourages residents to consider alternative energy sources such as the use of renewable energy where possible, conversion to geothermal residential heating systems.

In order to implement the Climate Change Mitigation Initiatives effectively, a Working Committee may be developed, under the direction of the Council, to spearhead the initiatives listed above. WHEREAS, the Township of Lake of the Woods is undertaking programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; and WHEREAS, these programs and activities conserve natural resources, save energy and money, and promote sustainable land use and transportation planning in the community; and WHEREAS, Municipalities are leading by example by adopting innovative sustainability programs, including working with community residents, business groups and others; and WHEREAS, the Township of Lake of the Woods wishes to be involved in the activities listed, share its experiences with other communities, and be recognized for its accomplishments; and WHEREAS, working on the initiatives is an opportunity for the Township of Lake of the Woods to be recognized for its efforts to promote sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; now, therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Lake of the Woods agrees to work on the initiatives listed.

BY-LAW349 **#19-62** GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that By-law No 349, being the 2019 Budget & Tax Levying By-law, be enacted

BY-LAW350 **#19-63** CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that By-law No 350, being FCM MAMP Agreement By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW351 **#19-64** LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that By-law No 351, being M Stintzi Drain Maintenance Rating By-law, be enacted.

ROADS **#19-65** GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council receive the draft Roads Needs Study as completed by Golder Associates Ltd and dated May 31st 2019.

WASTE **#19-66** CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the waste disposal fee for Anishinaabeg of Naongashiing First Nation be increased to \$3569.00 per annum effective for 2019. And further that the fee for waste collection for the new parking facility of Grassy Narrows Lodge be increased from the lake rate to the mainland rate of \$650.00.

ITEMS **#19-67** CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to place an ad in the Westend Weekly for 1 week to advertise for sale numerous items. Items are sold on an “AS IS WHERE IS” basis.

OTHER The Rd Supt reported on roads operations including road patching, electrical problems with the new grader, various roads to be brushed, the gravel contractor hauling on Art’s Rd has placed some crushed gravel to repair damage from the haul. There was some vandalism to picnic tables at Oscar Bay Beach park. Council continued to discuss the ditch along Pete’s Rd there is no action at this time however the Rd Supt will review the situation in the fall. Council reviewed the draft roads needs study. Mayor Fadden reported on the recent Fire Committee meeting. Councillor Lundgren reported on RRDMA meeting including an update from New Gold that the mine expected life span without shafts is 8 years, RRDMA was making a donation to the Thunder Bay Regional Hospital cardiovascular project and he reported that a contractor has been hired to do repairs at the Locum House. Councillor Chojko-Bolec reported that she was not able to be at the interviews for the economic development officer. Councillor Gate reported that there will be a music circle on June 22nd. The annual fire alarm and extinguisher report was received. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on the draft 2019 budget and tax rates, the proposed tax collection policy and the need for additional steps to collect outstanding taxes, this new policy will make use of a collection agency as well as tax sale, NWHU 2018 financial statements and opposition to provincial funding cuts, no action being taken on the Bear Wise program, no action on various resolutions in opposition to Bill 108 and provincial funding cuts to various services, since the recreation committee donated to the Chem Free Grad council will not make a donation this year. .

ADJOURN **#19-68** CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk