

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday December 3rd 2019 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.

MINUTES #19-97 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on November 5th 2019, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #19-98 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$182,010.32 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.**

TODS #19-99 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorizes renewal of the Canadian TODS Limited signage for Oscar Bay Beach. For the year 2020 this includes only the sign at Hwy 621 Frenchman's Rock Road and the two on Hwy 11 are to be removed.

BY-LAW354 #19-100 ANDERSON & GATE & CARRIED that By-law No 354, being the 2020 CACC Fire Dispatch Agreement By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW355 #19-101 CHOJKO-BOLEC & ANDERSON & CARRIED that By-law No 355, being the Council-Staff Relations Policy By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW356 #19-102 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that By-law No 356, being the Code of Conduct for Council and Committee Members Policy By-law, be enacted.

COLLECTION #19-103 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that the Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign on behalf of the municipality a Collection Agreement with the Credit Bureaus of NW Collections Inc. This to provide collection services for unpaid property taxes and as per our collection policy.

J&J #19-104 CHOJKO-BOLEC & GATE & CARRIED that Council authorizes a letter of support to be written for the proposal by Anishinaabeg of Naongashiing to expand the services at J&J General Supply to include a LCBO agency outlet and an Ontario Lottery sales site.

HEART #19-105 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation be advised that the Township will provide a financial contribution in 2020 of \$3000.00 which is similar to other municipalities and is approximately the equivalent of \$0.91 per household over 5 years (\$4.64).

SCHOOL #19-106 CHOJKO-BOLEC & GATE & CARRIED that pursuant to a request Council authorize a \$2,000.00 donation towards McCrosson-Tovell School Toronto trip in 2020.

INSURANCE #19-107 CHOJKO-BOLEC & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of insurance coverage from Gillons' effective January 1 2020. There is an approximate 2.6% increase in premiums.

TAXES W/O #19-108 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that pursuant to the Minutes of Settlement, Section 357 & attached listing, the following tax write offs be approved: General \$2,638.77, Education \$835.90 and the garbage fee of 2 MNR properties of \$100.00 a total of \$3,574.67.

OTHER The Rd Supt gave his oral report including snowplowing, sanding and equipment servicing, the Bergland Hall roof project will be completed when weather permits, the west side is now completed. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on the next Fire Committee meeting, we received payment of the hall rentals for the recent election, auditors completed an interim audit this week, the playground equipment has arrived and we will remove the old equipment west of Bergland Hall in the spring, library funding is to be received shortly, 2020 MPAC levy increasing by 1.9%, Council considered numerous funding requests, Plan SM325 Lot 1-3 deregistration papers were signed, 2020 NWHU levy info was received, Council considered a proposal by ISI for roads software support costs and a proposal by TMM for a review of records management, MTA will be advised that a tourism tax is an option to funding their organization, the Clerk-Treasurer will send a final letter to delinquent taxpayers prior to turning their file over to our collection agency and or starting tax sale proceedings. MMAH has provided the financial indicators for 2018 and none are at risk. The Recreation Committee had a good turnout for the Lutefisk meal and Kraft Sale Nov 30. Councillor Chojko-Bolec updated on the joint Economic Development Officer and we have not yet received an agreement from Rainy River, the EDO will be invited to our January meeting. Council reviewed the insurance renewal proposal.

ADJOURN #19-109 LUNDGREN & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk