

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday June 2nd 2020 at 7pm in the Morson Council Chambers. And the 2020 Budget and tax rates were considered.

**PRESENT** Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: G Anderson, A Chojko-Bolec, N Gate & W Lundgren. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt Ed Pearson. Visitors Bruce & Barb Pentney. A public meeting was held to consider a consent application by B & B Pentney in Lot 15 Conc 3 Morson, the Clerk-Treasurer reviewed the application with Council including comments from MTO that the development was at a remote location from their highways and therefore not of a concern, the notice of meeting was circulated on our website and Facebook page. The Mayor asked for anyone in support or in opposition to the application to speak to the matter. No concerns were expressed. The meeting to consider was declared closed at 7:17 pm.

**CONSENT #20-24 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED** that provisional approval be granted to severance application 46B2001 Bruce & Barb Pentney with the attached 5 conditions.

**MINUTES #20-25 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on May 5th 2020, be approved as printed.

**ACCOUNTS #20-26 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amount of \$116,940.67 and 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.**

**BY-LAW 359 #20-27 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED** that By-law No 359, being the 2020 Budget & Tax Levying By-law, be enacted.

**FIRE PERMIT #20-28 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED** that Council authorizes the installing of an online fire permit issuing system. The cost is to be share with the Township of Dawson.

**OTHER** The Rd Supt updated on recent road work including roadside cutting to start around July 1<sup>st</sup> with E Westover, annual gravelling and calcium application were discussed, the cement barriers have been ordered for Gov't Dock parking, due to low water in the lake the rock at the end of our government dock ramp will be brought back into place, the road patrol was held on May 27<sup>th</sup> and Council reviewed the written report and work to be completed. Councillor Gate reported on the committee visit to the cemeteries and the required work including possible retouching of the Bergland Cemetery sign, a local contractor will be contacted to see if retouching of the letters can be completed and some broken crosses on a family plot need to be repaired or removed. Oscar Bay Beach is now open however the playground equipment remains closed and this includes the newly installed additional structure. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on the draft budget and tax rates and the overall residential tax rate will decrease by 1.16% due to the reduction in education tax rate, there is still no

agreement from Rainy River on the EDO costing, a POA payment of \$842.59 was received. Council also considered an online fire permit system. Mayor Fadden reported on weekly meetings with NWHU & MPP G Rickford on the developments due to the virus.

ADJOURN #20-20 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

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