

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday April 6th 2021 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: G Anderson, A Chojko-Bolec & W Lundgren. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt absent. Visitor Gajith Jinadasa our EDO, he updated Council on his progress and work for the past few months and advised that New Gold had approved the Youth Grant and April Chojko-Bolec will sit on the project selection committee. Gajith also presented a request for funding a tourism support project. He was asking Council to provide some Covid-19 funding to help support the development of advertisement tools to promote local tourism resorts in order to expand the tourism base within Canada.

MINUTES #21-20 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on March 2nd 2021, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #21-21 ANDERSON & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$88,519.97 and representing disbursements for the month of March 2021 be approved for payment. **MAYOR FADDEN DECLARED A CONFLICT AS HER SPOUSE WORKS FOR MILLER CONTRACTING. COUNCILLOR LUNDGREN TOOK THE CHAIR FOR THIS ITEM.**

J&J STORE #21-22 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council authorizes J&J General Store to be open on the following Public Holidays for the sale of liquor: Victoria Day, Canada Day, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day and Family Day.

TOURISM #21-23 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council support the proposal by our Economic Development Officer to develop a plan for promotion of tourism with the municipality. Due to Covid-19 the tourism with the municipality has been very restricted and Council authorizes the provision of \$4,000.00 in funding for the project. These funds are allocated from the Covid funding received from the Province.

OPP #21-24 CHOJKO-BOLEC & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council appoints Colleen Fadden as our representative on the discussion for the OPP detachment board.

GROUP BNF #21-25 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that effective April 1st 2021, Council authorizes renewal of the group insurance coverage from Mercer Marsh Benefits at the annual rate of \$19843.00 plus taxes, a 2.9% increase. These premiums are based on individual employee's cost and are share with the Township of Dawson.

FIRE #21-26 CHOJKO-BOLEC & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council support the resolution of the Township of Hudson requesting support for fire departments by way of allowing apparatuses, training, equipment and structures as eligible for infrastructure program funding.

OTHER The Rd Supt was absent and Council suggested a road patrol for the week of April 12-16. Council discussed possible project for the Rural Enhanced Stream Funding, including an additional pavilion at Oscar Bay and a separate water supply for Bergland Fire Hall. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including, tax arrears and properties that will have tax sale proceeding start in May, virtual NOMA meeting, Federal Gas Tax top up of \$14025.00, approval of the ICIP grant for shoreline protection at Oscar Bay Beach. Council asked that we get a price that scrap haulers are prepared to pay for scrap pickup at our landfill sites.

ADJOURN #21-27 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 p.m. And the meetings move back to Morson until further notice.

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