

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council, and meeting to consider the 2021 Budget and tax rates, held on Tuesday July 6th 2021 at 7pm in the Morson 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. Visitors Alison Cox and Megan Cox from Riverside Health Care to present the Foundation latest project and request financial assistance to purchase a new CT Scan and other medical equipment. A public meeting was held to consider a change to the permitted uses for the Waterfront Residential zone. The Clerk reviewed the proposed amendment to the Waterfront Residentials Zone to remove Clause g) a boarding house, rooming house or tourist home and renumber the clauses accordingly. Council determined that these were not appropriate uses within the zone. There were no public comments received. The meeting was closed at 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES **#21-41 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on June 1st 2021, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS **#21-42 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amount of \$195,915.56 and representing disbursements for the month of June 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.**

NOHFC **#21-43 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED** that further to resolution 21-31 of May 4th 2021, Council authorizes the application under the NOHFC Rural Enhancement Funding Stream to expand the shelter capacity with an additional pavilion/shelter structure at Oscar Bay Beach. The estimated cost is \$96,500.00 and the Township of Lake of the Woods will cover any excess costs for the project.

BY-LAW 370 **#21-44 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED** that By-law No 370, being By-Law 60 Section 7 Waterfront Residential Zone amending By-law, be enacted.

TAXES **#21-45 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED** that due to the measures of the Federal and Provincial Governments to control the spread of the Covid-19 virus and the significant impact these measures have had on the tourism industry in Northwestern Ontario, Council will on a case-by -case basis request consider the write off of penalty and interests on property taxes for those businesses in the tourism industry. The write off will be for one month to a maximum of twelve months. The write off will apply only to 2021 taxes and not any arrears.

RIVERSIDE **#21-46 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED** that Council authorizes a donation in 2021 of \$15,000.00 to Riverside Foundation for Health Care for its Picture This Campaign.

WOMEN #21-47 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council supports the efforts of the Town of Fort Frances to have the Federal & Provincial Gov'ts provide funding for the capital and operation of a Women's Shelter in the Town of Fort Frances.

OTHER The Rd Supt reported on road work with grading of roads, surface treatment project to be completed soon, Frenchman's Rock Rd is to be gravelled and calcium applied soon, screening of pit run gravel is under way and will be used on various low traffic roads, roadside mowing is underway and a quote on paint repair on the one ton truck. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including the recent Fire Committee meeting, consultation with Big Grassy First Nation on the ICIP project, completion of the annual inspection of fire alarm system and extinguishers, NWHU financial are available and two of the 9 properties for tax sale have been paid.

ADJOURN #21-48 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:03 p.m. and the next meeting be on September 7th 2021.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk