

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council, was held on Tuesday May 2nd 2023 at 7pm in the Morson Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: A Chojko-Bolec, K Cottam, N Gate & W Lundgren.
Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt Ed Pearson. Visitors: B Pentney.

MINUTES #23-29 GATE & COTTAM & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on April 4th 2023, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #23-30 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$110,623.48 and representing disbursements for the month April, be approved for payment.

GARAGE #23-31 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorizes the design of an additional bay to the public works garage to accommodate road equipment storage. Saulteaux Consulting be authorized to complete the necessary design drawings.

CULVERTS#23-32 CHOJKO-BOLEC & COTTAM & CARRIED that Council accepts the proposal from TBT Engineering to prepare the bi-annual culvert inspection report and this being one of two proposals received.

RECREATION #23-33 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Resolution 23-14 of March 7th 2023 be repealed and the following be appointed to the Recreation Committee: Kaitlyn Cottam, Nancy Gate, Hillary Hansen Nordberg, Marilyn Hansen, Dana Gate, Meagan & Andrew Saarela, Tony Sepers, Jessie Krahn, Jennifer Luchenski and Meagan Jewett.

MOWING #23-34 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council offer employment to Scott Olson to perform grass cutting on municipal properties, the rate of pay to be the present labourer rate. In addition, meterage will be paid to transport the mower and equipment to the various work sites.

MOWER #23-35 GATE & COTTAM & CARRIED that Council authorizes the purchase of a Kabota Z422KWT-60 mower from North Country Track & Wheel for \$11749.00. And further that a trailer be purchased as well.

BUDREAU RD #23-36 GATE & COTTAM & CARRIED that Council deny the request from Kim Hannam to purchase Budreau Rd.

BY-LAW387 #23-37 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that By-law No 387, being the User Fees By-law, be enacted.

BROADBAND #23-38 COTTAM & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer to send a letter of support to Tbaytel for their proposed Morson application to provide additional bandwidth for higher speed mobility applications to our area.

AUDIT #23-39 COTTAM & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council approves the audited Financial Statements for the year 2022 and further that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign the statements.

OP #23-40 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council authorizes a request for proposals along with other district municipalities for an updating of our Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-law.

OTHER The Rd Supt reported on road work including grading, Fred's Rd is closed due to culvert failure & Erickson Rd culvert failure was repaired, Bergland landfill site has been broken into a few times, the floating dock on Carl's Rd needs replacement and the plow equipment has been removed. The annual road patrol will occur on May 7th. An update was received for the recreation committee with planned events , food handling course updates and they do not want to run the pickle ball, but Council suggested that pickle ball is recreation and should be handled by that committee. The Clerk-Treasurer noted the next fire meeting is May 9th in RR, 2nd OMPF payment of \$164,175 was received, the OCIF & NORDS grant project forms have been filed, OPP property count for 2023 is 712 up from 709, Council provided direction on 2023 budget and the garbage fees are to be increased to cover the increase in the contract price, RRDSSAB surplus payment of \$18,235.25 was received, the user fees were updated, Council will not accept the offer from Kim Hannam to purchase Budreau Road, our share of the OMEX reciprocal deficit is \$1. The next general RRDMA meeting is May 17th.

ADJOURN #23-41 GATE & COTTAM & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk