

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council which was held on Thursday November 2nd 2023 at 7pm in the Bergland 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.

**MINUTES #23-83 CHOJKO-BOLEC & GATE & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on October 3rd 2023, be approved as printed.

**ACCOUNTS #23-84 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amounts of \$118,583.55 and representing disbursements for the month October, be approved for payment.

**RIVERSIDE #23-85 COTTAM & GATE & CARRIED** that the Riverside Foundation for Health Care be advised that the Township will provide a financial contribution of \$5,000.00 for the Rainy River Ultrasound Equipment. The contribution will be paid in 2024.

**OTHER** The Rd Supt reported on road work including preparing snow plow equipment, the Gov't Dock lights have been installed & a request was submitted to Hydro One to delete the charge for sentinel lights, he is to get a price for an additional snow blower for the rink, work on the Gov't Dock parking facility enlargement will start next week, work on the garage addition has started and the contractor was hampered by rain & snow when the floor was poured, BOA stated that concerns raised about the cemetery have been closed and items such as wooden crosses are to be removed from plots and work in the spring will continue to remove shrubs and other non authorized items. The Clerk-Treasurer reported on the budget update, the tax sale proceeds have been paid into Court, repair work on the Locum House is continuing. The 2024 OMPF is being reduced from \$656,700 to \$654,800. Pursuant to our policy Christmas bonuses are to be paid out. Outstanding tax reminders and notices of potential tax sale notices are to be mailed this week. The CBO monthly report was received. Council discussed the Kemp property and want the ratepayer to seek a minor variance and apply for the necessary building permit for the addition to the house. The Trillium grant application for improvements to the rink has been approved, work will start in the spring. Black Ash regulation will not apply to this area. Group benefits will increase January 1<sup>st</sup> and our broker is working on insurance renewal for Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. The annual RRDMA meeting is scheduled for Emo January 13<sup>th</sup> 2024. Chairs in the Bergland hall are to be cleaned, small items for the hall are to be purchased by the committee and pickle ball is considered part of the recreation program.

**ADJOURN #23-86 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED** that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk