

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council, which was held on Tuesday December 2nd 2025 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: N Gate & W Lundgren. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt E Pearson. Visitors B & B Pentney & D Larsen.

VARIANCES Minor Variance Applications 46A2501 and 46A2502 D & J Brown were considered for reductions to the Hazard Lands set back on Island G2282. The applications had been circulated and notice provided on the website and Facebook page. The Clerk-Treasurer reviewed the applications and there was no public input received.

46A2501 #25-67 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Minor Variance Application 46A2501 David & Justin Brown be granted provisional approval in accordance with the attached decision of the Committee of Adjustment.

46A2502 #25-68 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that Minor Variance Application 46A2502 Justin Brown be granted provisional approval in accordance with the attached decision of the Committee of Adjustment. Mayor Fadden declared the meeting closed at 7:10 p.m.

MINUTES #25-69 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on November 4th 2025, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #25-70 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$145,186.98 and representing disbursements for the month of November be approved for payment.

BY-LAW 406 #25-71 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that By-law No 406, being the Cemetery User Fees By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 407 #25-72 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that By-law No 407 being the Alternate CEMC Appointment By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 408 #25-73 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that By-law No 408, being the HR 32.0 Volunteer Fire Fighters OMERS Policy By-law be enacted.

POTHOLE #25-74 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorizes an application for funding under the Pothole Prevention and Repair program.

INSURANCE #25-75 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of insurance coverage from March Canada Limited effective January 1st 2026. There are no optional coverages to be added with an approximate 6% increase in premiums.

TAX W/O #25-76 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that pursuant to the Minutes of Settlement, Section 357 applications & attached listing, the following tax write-offs be

approved, General \$1143.78, Education \$327.71 and minimum tax adjustments of \$178.10 a total of \$1,649.59.

RRDMA **#25-77** LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that Council authorizes Council members and Clerk-Treasurer to attend the annual Rainy River District Municipal Association meeting in Nestor Falls January 10 2026 and further that a donation of \$200.00 be authorized for the conference.

OTHER With one Councillor missing the replacement for the Council vacancy will be decided at the next meeting, 3 applications have been received for consideration. The Clerk-Treasurer presented Mayor Fadden with a Long Service certificate and pin from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in recognition of her over 25 years of service on council. The Rd Supt reported on road work including preparation for winter operations, sewer pump replacement in Bergland Hall and cleanup after flooding from overflowed toilets, Bergland Hall lights and timer are repaired, the chairs and carpet have been cleaned, Council is awaiting the design of potential changes in Bergland Hall. The Clerk-Treasurer reported on the next fire board meeting, property taxes outstanding balances, an overview of the Pothole repair and prevention program was discussed, work on the EMO compliance is nearing completion, the tax sale proceeds have been paid into court, proposed insurance renewal was received with premiums increasing to approximately \$38,000.00 plus taxes, MMAH has amended to Planning Act to allow for minor variances of less than 10% be not need an application, a letter informing Council of the First Nation settlement for loss of lands in Lake of the Woods, Shoal Lake and Winnipeg River being reached, transfer from canopy internet service to a hub is in the works by TBaytel. The annual OMPF workbooks have been received. Work on the Community Safety and Well-being Plan review is underway by area Clerks, a draft survey of the lands to be sold on Lakewood Dr was received and reviewed. A letter was received from Saugeen First Nation #29 regarding child wellbeing. The CBO report was circulated.

ADJOURN #25-78 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk