

**April 19, 2018**

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

On Thursday, April 19, 2018 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Special Council Meeting.

Present- Mayor Dumas

Councillor John Brown

Councillor Sandra Collins

Councillor Dave Harper

Councillor Joe Florent

Councillor Bill Rodnick

Staff- Holly Hayes, CAO/ Clerk –Treasurer

Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent

Tracy Cannon, Municipal Operations Clerk-Recording Secretary

Regrets: Councillor Richard Shalla

**1. OPEN MEETING/CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Dumas called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

**2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

New Business: Resolution – Cassellholme Facility

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by: D. Harper**

**Seconded by: J. Florent**

**Res. # 18-101**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated and amended for the special Council meeting of April 19, 2018.”

**-Carried-**

**4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None

**5. 2018 BUDGET PRESENTATION:**

Holly Hayes, CAO/ Clerk Treasurer – Presented the slide show presentation that was included in the Preliminary Budget Meeting of March 15, 2018. Topics included; defining the budget process, expenses, levies paid to the province, revenues, provincial grants and assessment changes, Recreation Committee reserve transfers, taxation rates.

**5. BY-LAW**

**THIRD READING**

**Moved by: J. Florent**

**Seconded by: D. Harper**

**Res. # 18-102**

**“BEING A BY-LAW to ADOPT TAX RATIOS FOR THE YEAR 2017 and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered 18-564 and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk Treasurer-sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be entered in the By-Law Book.”**

**-Carried-**

**THIRD READING**

**Moved by: J. Brown**

**Seconded by: D. Harper**

**Res. # 18-103**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to provide for the approval of the 2018 Operating Budget, Adoption of the 2018 Tax Rates and Establishing Penalty and Interest on Overdue Taxes and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered **18-565** and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk Treasurer-sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be entered in the By-Law Book.”

**-Carried-**

**THIRD READING**

**Moved by: D. Harper**

**Seconded by: J. Florent**

**Res. # 18-104**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to adopt the Expenditure and Revenue Estimates for the year 2018 and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered **18-566** and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO/Clerk Treasurer-sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be entered in the By-Law Book.”

**-Carried-**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Moved by: J. Brown**

**Seconded by: D. Harper**

**Res. # 18-105**

**Whereas** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin recognizes the need to support the redevelopment of the Cassellholme Facility; and

**Whereas** the annual levy paid to Cassellholme by The Township of South Algonquin is 5% of our annual tax revenue and our average capital budget is \$400,000, the additional funds required for the redevelopment of Cassellholme will reduce our ability to maintain our own Capital Assets; and

**Whereas** the Township of South Algonquin, due to the large distance from the facility, has not and is not likely in the future to have any rate payers utilize Cassellholme and does not reap economic benefit from the facility through either employment or purchasing; and

**Whereas** the Township of South Algonquin respectfully requests that the New Board of Management re-visit the apportionment formula to consider the lack of benefit our rate payers realize from this agreement; and

**Whereas** resolutions, supporting the redevelopment, were passed by all participating municipalities and forwarded to the Board of Management of Cassellholme; and

**Whereas** the amendments to the Long Term Care Act, specifically Bill 160, now provides for Cassellholme to borrow on their own faith and credit; and

**Whereas** a detailed financial model has been developed and approved by BDO Canada, in consultation with the, Board of Management and senior staff of Cassellholme; and

**Whereas** it is understood the next steps include dissolving the current Board and reconstituting a new Board of Management once a final development agreement has been executed the Town of Mattawa, The Township of Mattawan, the Township of Papineau-Cameron and Township of Calvin have provided their contribution to the capital redevelopment up front or secured by agreement and an associated letter of credit.

**Therefore Be It Resolved** that the Board and member municipalities agree to financially support the redevelopment of Cassellholme and 248 beds subject to:

- (1) the results of the tender for construction compared to the project budget; and
- (2) the Board confirming it has secured an agreement with the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care to provide adequate funding, and

**Be if Further Resolved** that the Board be directed to secure construction financing at the most favourable rates and terms in order to ensure Cassellholme’s long term viability and sustainability.

**Carried-**

Mayor Dumas briefed the audience on the history and the requirements of South Algonquin to pay into the Cassellholme Long-Term Care Facility in North Bay, including the increased costs that will be associated with the redevelopment of the new facility. It was emphasized the township is currently required to direct funds to the Cassellholme Facility in order for South Algonquin residents to utilize any facility within Ontario.

**Moved by: J. Florent**

**Seconded by: J. Brown**

**Res. # 18-106**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the special council meeting of April 19, 2018, at 7:27 p.m.”

**-Carried-**

The next council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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Mayor Jane A. E. Dumas

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Holly Hayes, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

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Municipal Operations Clerk,  
Tracy Cannon Recording Secretary