

**January 4, 2018**

**COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

On Thursday, January 4, 2018 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

Present- Mayor Dumas	Staff- Holly Hayes, CAO/ Clerk –Treasurer
Councillor John Brown	Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent
Councillor Sandra Collins	Tracy Cannon, Municipal Operations Clerk-Recording Secretary
Councillor Joe Florent	
Councillor Dave Harper	
Councillor Bill Rodnick	
Councillor Richard Shalla	

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

Mayor Dumas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None**

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by: D. Harper                                      Seconded by S. Collins                                      Res. # 18-001**

“That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated for the regular Council meeting of January 4, 2018.”

**-Carried-**

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

**5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS:**

Aaron Hovinga provided Council with documents he obtained regarding the Northern Tax Credit. He stated, in his research Canada Revenue Agency currently does not consider South Algonquin to be in a Northern area, therefore residents of South Algonquin that may be eligible to receive the tax credit are not getting it. He also stated that he has been in contact with both Cheryl Gallant, MP and Canada Revenue Agency and was advised by a representative of CRA that in order to proceed with the inquiry it had to be investigated by the Municipality.

There was also some discussion on other benefits South Algonquin residents have access to as being part of a Northern area, such as travel grants for medical appointments and the discount for vehicle licenses and exemptions from e-testing.

Council thanked Mr. Hovinga for his research and bringing this matter to their attention. Staff will investigate this matter further.

*Mr. Hovinga exited the meeting*

**6. PUBLIC MEETING FOR ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT:**

At 7:13 p.m. Mayor Dumas opened the public meeting in accordance to Section 34 of the Planning Act to deal with a proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment 2017-01 for the subject property located at 25272 Highway 60.

Tracy Cannon, Municipal Operations Clerk explained how notice was provided and the intent and purpose of the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment to rezone the current Community Facility (CF) zone to a Settlement Area Residential (R1) zone. T. Cannon also advised that written comments were received from the Ministry of Transportation and that the property owner will be required through MTO to obtain a building permit as well as an entrance permit due to the change of use.

The applicant, Mr. Kauffman advised that he will contact MTO regarding the entrance and may also investigate an alternative entrance off Major Lake Road. No further comments were received from the public or agencies.

Council did not have any questions, however expressed concerns pertaining to the entrance requirements by MTO, as the entrance is existing.

Mayor Dumas informed the applicant that the application would be considered later in the meeting. Public Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

**7. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Moved by: R. Shalla                                      Seconded by: B. Rodnick                                      Res. # 18-002**

“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Committee of Adjustment meeting of December 7, 2017 as circulated.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: J. Brown                                      Seconded by: J. Florent                                      Res. # 18-003**

“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of December 7, 2017 as circulated.”

-Carried-

Moved by: **R. Shalla**

Seconded by: **b. Rodnick**

Res. # **18-004**

“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Council meeting of December 7, 2017 as circulated.”

-Carried-

#### **7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None**

#### **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

#### **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS, STAFF AND/OR COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

##### **M & L Parks and Recreation:**

Minutes of December 11, 2017 was provided for the council package - reviewed and filed.

##### **Councillor Harper:**

- South Algonquin Public Library Board has rescheduled the January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting to January 22<sup>nd</sup> and it will be held in Whitney.
- Every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Whitney Seniors will be hosting a variety of games.

##### **Administration**

- A written report was provided in the council package by CAO/ Clerk-Treasurer H. Hayes.

Verbally Reported:

- Before Christmas, H. Hayes attempted to contact the O.P.P. regarding their procedure when dealing with aggressive dogs, such as Pit Bulls. H. Hayes will follow up with the O.P.P. next week.
- A review of the Procedural By-Law and discussion regarding one versus two council meetings a month will be included on the agenda for the HR/Administration Committee Meeting scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup>.

##### **Public Works/Operations**

A written report was provided in the council package by Works Superintendent D. Gatley.

Verbally Reported:

- Discussion pertaining to the offer to purchase Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement. This item will be further discussed at the next Roads Committee Meeting.
- The draft design for Spectacle Lake Road has been accepted and the scope of work has been deemed complete by Council. Revisions can still be made to the drawings. The drawings will be reviewed further at the next Roads Committee Meeting.

#### **10. CORRESPONDENCE**-Action Items

- Terry Girouard, RE: Application for Madawaska Fire Department; *resolution*
- The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command, RE: Ad in Annual Military Service Recognition Book; *resolution*

#### **11. CORRESPONDENCE** -Information Items

- Item 1) Request to remove existing dock at Lyell Lake Boat Launch - Lyell Lake Boat Launch to remain a public docking facility with general signage as erected at all township docking facilities. Staff to send a response to the request.
- Other items reviewed and filed.

#### **12. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Councillor Florent was approached by a resident who requested that council consider updating the current Keeping of Dogs By-Law # 12-430 to implement a Pit Bull ban in South Algonquin. Councillor Florent also circulated pictures of injuries that was caused by a recent Pit Bull attack in South Algonquin. As stated in the above Administration report, H. Hayes will follow up with the O.P.P. regarding their procedures when dealing with Pit Bulls as it pertains to the Provincial Dog Owner Liability Act.

#### **13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**



**Moved by: J. Florent**                                  **Seconded by: D. Harper**                                  **Res. # 18-014**  
“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the closed session of Council held on January 4, 2018 at 9:04pm.”  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: B. Rodnick**                                  **Seconded by: R. Shalla**                                  **Res. # 18-015**  
“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the payment of all bills as recorded for the meeting of January 4, 2018: Batch 2017-00090 for \$131,134.79, included in the council package and Batch 2017-00092 for \$130,961.23 and Batch 2017-00094 for \$9,056.16 as presented at the table.”  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: B. Rodnick**                                  **Seconded by: R. Shalla**                                  **Res. # 18-016**  
“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of January 4, 2018, at 9:06 p.m.”  
**-Carried-**

The next council meeting is scheduled for February 1, 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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Tracy Cannon, Municipal Operations  
Clerk - Recording Secretary