

July 6, 2017

COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, July 6, 2017 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

Present- Mayor Dumas
Councillor John Brown
Councillor Sandra Collins
Councillor Dave Harper
Councillor Joe Florent
Councillor Bill Rodnick
Councillor Richard Shalla

Staff- Holly Hayes, CAO/ Clerk –Treasurer
Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent
Carla Gatley, Deputy Clerk-Recording Secretary

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: **J. Florent** Seconded by: **D. Harper** **Res. # 17-134**

“That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated for the regular Council meeting of July 6, 2017.”

-Carried-

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

- Councillor Florent, Agenda Item #17 Payment of Accounts
- Councillor Florent, Agenda Item # 13 Motion of Council (Waiving of Tent Rental Fees for Flying Feathers Club).
- Councillor Shalla, Agenda Item #17 Payment of Accounts

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS: None

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by: **J. Florent** Seconded by: **J. Brown** **Res. # 17-135**

“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of June 1, 2017 as circulated.”

-Carried-

Moved by: **D. Harper** Seconded by: **J. Florent** **Res. # 17-136**

“**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 June 15, 2017 as circulated and amended.”

-Carried-

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

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

Administration

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

Verbally Reported:

-CEMC Brian Ackney has requested council choose dates for the upcoming EMO Committee meeting and the Table Top Exercise. The Committee meeting will be on September 21st at 7:00 p.m. and the Table Top Exercise will be on October 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Public Works/Operations

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

Verbally Reported:

-Will forward councillors a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding for the Aylen Lake Boat Launch.

-Received a price for a container for the re-use area at Lyell Landfill; waiting on one more price.

-Reviewing tender for new truck.

-MTO is reviewing highway entrances in Whitney. We can contact them with any concerns.

Whitney Recreation

Councillor Shalla verbally reported:

-Would like to thank the Public Works Department for all of the work done around the township prior to the Canada Day weekend.

-Would like to thank the Fire Department for the fireworks display.

-Canada Day was a very successful event.

Madawaska Recreation

Councillor Florent verbally reported:

- Would like to thank the Public Works Department for all of the work done around the beach prior to the Canada Day weekend.

-Had a good turn out for Canada Day.

10. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items

- Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal, RE: Support of Resolution- Schedule 5 of Bill 7, *resolution*
- Joel Swagerman/Xplornet, RE: Letter for Proposed Telecommunications Tower, *resolution*

11. CORRESPONDENCE -Information Items

12. NEW BUSINESS:

-No Committee Meeting scheduled for the third Thursday of July.

13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:

Moved by: J. Florent

Seconded by: R. Shalla

Res. # 17-137

“**WHEREAS** the Township of South Algonquin designates it's privately maintained roadways within the Township as Lanes; and

WHEREAS Landsdown Avenue is, in fact, a privately maintained roadway within the Township and is improperly designated; and

WHEREAS in accordance with Section 48 of the Ontario Municipal Act, Part III, which says, ·
A local Municipality may name, or change the name, of a private road after giving notice of the
intention to pass the by-law"; and

WHEREAS Landsdown Avenue, for the first 200 metres from the highway is, in fact, the
former Jocko family driveway; and

WHEREAS it is the intent of this motion to honour the military contribution of the Jocko family
in WWII and the Korean Conflict:

THEREFORE, in this special year commemorating Canada's 150th Birthday, and in the Spirit
of Reconciliation with the First Nation's people, let it

BE RESOLVED that Landsdown Avenue be renamed Jocko Lane, to honour the military
service of Peter, Matthew, Leo, Patrick, James and William Jocko, a proud Algonquin family
who put their lives on the line in Europe and the Korean Peninsula in defense of democracy and
freedom for us all: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon passing of this Motion, that in accordance with
Section 48 of the Ontario Municipal Act, Part III, that notice of intent, of the name change, be
sent to the applicable property owners and that a by-law be prepared at the earliest convenience.”
Councillor Florent requested a recorded vote:

Councillor Florent For Councillor Rodnick For
Councillor Harper Against Councillor Shalla For
Councillor Brown For Mayor Dumas Against
Councillor Collins Against

-Carried-

Moved by: S. Collins Seconded by: J. Brown Res. # 17-138

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of South Algonquin establish a
plan that respectfully provides guidelines and further develops the process where in community
recognition of individuals, families or historical events be planned and applied with respect and
equity.

WHEREAS the Township has buildings, parks and other venues in which plaques, history
boards, trees and other commemorative recognition methods can be established for community
members and visitors and further that since the enrichment of the ‘South Algonquin’ experience
through heritage displays, programs and events was identified as Strategic Plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we proceed as per the Strategic Plan to add heritage
displays in Madawaska, Whitney and (Sabine) by considering ‘heritage’ components throughout
South Algonquin and that council with staff plan the means to begin this process.”

-Carried-

Moved by: D. Harper Seconded by: J. Brown Res. # 17-139

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin
agrees to waive the rental fee of the of the large yellow tent for the MNR’s use in Algonquin
Park on July 8, 2017 for the Family Fishing Day Event.”

-Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: J. Brown Res. # 17-140

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin
authorizes township staff to compose and send a letter to Joel Swagerman (Xplorner c/o
FONTOUR International) indicating that the Township of South Algonquin has no objection to
the construction of a 70 metre communications structure on the land at PT LT 14 Con 3 Lyell.”

-Carried-

Councillor Florent declared a pecuniary interest and did not vote on the following resolution:

Moved by: J. Florent

Seconded by: S. Collins

Res. # 17-141

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin agrees to waive the rental fee of the two blue and white tents for the Flying Feathers Archery Club’s use on July 8th and 9th 2017.”

-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla

Seconded by: J. Florent

Res. # 17-142

“WHEREAS the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry has developed a Strategic Policy for Bait Management in Ontario that is accompanied by a number of significant proposed changes to the way anglers can harvest, move and use bait in Ontario, and

WHEREAS the harvesting and use of live bait is an important part of Ontario’s fishing industry and is also of culturally significant in many small communities such as ours where fishing is a common family activity, if overland transport of personally-harvested bait is no longer permitted it would result in a anglers who live in our area having to travel to purchase bait and results in families having to pay for an activity that has been relatively low cost, and

WHEREAS the proposed bait movement restrictions require that anglers keep a copy of their receipt from the commercial retailer, which would be valid for a two week period resulting in unused bait having to be discarded, and

WHEREAS there is a need to limit the spread of aquatic invasive species and waterborne pathogens, however the restrictions being proposed by this policy do not reduce the risk enough to justify the damage that it will impose on the sport fishing industry and therefore

BE RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of South Algonquin requests that Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry reconsider aspects of this policy to ensure that fishing continues to be a low cost family tradition, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the policy for harvesting and transporting of bait fish in our area should be consistent with the northern Ontario conditions,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Kathryn McGarry, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry; John Yakabuski MPP, Cheryl Gallant MP, Surrounding area municipalities; and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters.

-Carried-

Moved by: R. Shalla

Seconded by: D. Harper

Res. # 17-143

“WHEREAS the Township of South Algonquin is significant geographic distance from the other District of Nipissing Townships separated by Algonquin Provincial Park and EMS services based in the Township of South Algonquin serve the over 900,000 Park visitors annually, as no EMS services are located within Algonquin Park, and

WHEREAS Nipissing District paramedic services are reduced to one staff on call between October and May due to less tourism in the area, this reduces the ability to meet targeted response times identified to best support cardiac and trauma (CTAS 1) patient outcomes, and

WHEREAS failure to provide 24/7 365 coverage may result in additional Ministry of Health (MOH) investigations and negative patient outcomes for critical and trauma based calls given this Park is about one and a half times the size of Prince Edward Island or about a quarter of the size of Belgium. Its size, combined with its proximity to the major urban centres of Toronto and Ottawa, makes Algonquin Provincial Park one of the most popular Provincial Parks in the province and the country, yet the Park does not have 24/7 services, and

WHEREAS the total operating budget for the Township of South Algonquin is approximately \$2.9 M. The additional cost associated with year round 24 hour paramedic coverage is not sustainable on the property tax base. As such it is requested that the Ministry of Health Emergency Health Services Branch formally investigate the feasibility of a TWOMO (Territory

without Municipal Organization) funded EMS station to insure equitable and timely access to EMS services 24/7, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council for the Municipality of Township of South Algonquin formally requests the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care Emergency Health Service Branch to fund a TWOMO EMS station which would be operational 24/7 365 to serve the Township of South Algonquin and Algonquin Provincial Park bonded to the District of Nipissing EMS, and

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to John Yakabuski MPP, Cheryl Gallant MP, Surrounding area municipalities; the Minister of Health and Nipissing of District Social Services Administration Board.”

-Carried-

Moved by: S. Collins

Seconded by: J. Florent

Res. # 17-144

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin is in support of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal’s Resolution 2017-209 which calls on the Government of Ontario and the Ministry of Housing to halt the download of enforcement responsibility for residential rental maintenance standards proposed in Schedule 5 of Bill 7, in light of the significant fiscal challenge each municipality will face to provide this service to the public in a cost-effective manner.”

-Carried-

14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None

15. BY-LAWS:

FIRST AND SECOND READING

Moved by: J. Florent

Seconded by: J. Brown

Res. # 17-145

“Being a By-Law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes for the year 2017 and that it be read a first and second time and be referred to a committee of the whole council.”

-Carried-

THIRD READING

Moved by: S. Collins

Seconded by: B. Rodnick

Res. # 17-146

“Being a By-Law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes for the year 2017 and that it be passed and numbered 17-534 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-

FIRST AND SECOND READING

Moved by: J. Brown

Seconded by: S. Collins

Res. # 17-147

“Being a by-law to authorize the CAO/Clerk- Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk, to file complaints to the Assessment Review Board relating to requests for reconsideration of assessment, and to settle assessment appeals and requests for reconsideration of assessment, where appropriate and that it be read a first and second time and be referred to a committee of the whole council.”

-Carried-

THIRD READING

Moved by: R. Shalla

Seconded by: J. Florent

Res. # 17-148

“Being a By- to authorize the CAO/Clerk- Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk, to file complaints to the Assessment Review Board relating to requests for reconsideration of assessment, and to settle assessment appeals and requests for reconsideration of assessment, where appropriate and that it

