**March 19, 2015**

COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, March 19, 2015 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Council Meeting.

Present- Mayor Dumas Staff- Carla Gatley, Deputy Clerk

Councillor John Brown Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent

Councillor Joe Florent Tracy Cannon, Admin. Asst.-Recording Secretary

Councillor Dave Harper

Councillor Linda Thom

Councillor Bill Rodnick

Regrets - Councillor Richard Shalla

 Suzanne Klatt, CAO/ Clerk –Treasurer

 Guest – Fire Chief Aurel Thom

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

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by: D. Harper Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 15-070**

 “That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated for the regular Council meeting of March 19, 2015.”

**-Carried-**

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

**5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS: None**

**6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: D. Harper Res. # 15-071**

 “Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 5, 2015 as circulated.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: J. Brown Res. # 15-072**

 “Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Human Resources and Administration Committee Meeting of February 24th, 2015 as presented at the table.”

**-Carried-**

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

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Discussion regarding “Trout” Transportation Services.

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

**South Algonquin Fire Department- Madawaska Station**

Fire Chief Aurel Thom provided a written report along with the minutes from the Renfrew County Fire Chief’s Association meeting of March 4, 2015.

**Councillor Florent - Madawaska Recreation Committee**

Councillor Florent provided a verbal report from the last Madawaska Recreation Committee meeting.

* Beach layout and plans for the beach at 25136 Highway 60 was reviewed by the Madawaska Recreation Committee and a one-time plan for all future works will be submitted to the Ministry of Transportation for the work permit.
* The Committee was pleased with the maintenance and upkeep of the Madawaska Rink.
* Staff to investigate if Recreation Committees can hold family movie nights.

**Administration**

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

**Roads**

Works Superintendent D. Gatley indicated that due to the preparation of the budget there was not adequate time to include a written report in the council package and added a resolution will be presented this evening to go to tender and or request for proposal for a hydraulic angle broom and a hydraulic thumb for the backhoe.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**-Action Items

* Steve Clark MPP – 2-Up ATVS and Side-by-Side UTVS- Resolution will be brought forward at the next regular council meeting.
* List of Outstanding Accounts Receivable
* Town of Aurora Council Resolution, Bill 52, Protection of Public Participation Act.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE** -Information Items

* Reviewed and filed

**12. NEW BUSINESS:**  **None**

**13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 15-073**

**“THAT** Council for the Township of South Algonquin approve the write off of Accounts Receivables incurred between 2005-2008 in the amount of $478.83.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 15-074**

**“THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves that the auditor do a General Ledger adjustment to transfer $6,000.00(rent from GD Jewell-office space) from the General Bank Account to the Whitney Raise the Roof Fundraising Account and that it be accrued to 2014.”

 **-Carried-**

**Moved by: D. Harper Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 15-075**

**“THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves that as per the auditor recommendation, that a transfer be made in the amount of $2,101.59 from the General Bank Account to the Gas Tax Account.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: D. Harper Seconded by: J. Florent Res. # 15-076**

“**THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin directs staff to go to tender and or send out Requests for Proposals as applicable for the following services:”

* Inspection reports to all buildings(ie. fire extinguishers/rangehoods, etc)
* Heating Fuel-Propane and Oil
* Auditing services
* Planning Consulting services
* Equipment rates for machinery and trades
* Group Benefits
* Hydraulic Angle broom and hydraulic thumb for backhoe

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: J. Brown Res. # 15-077**

**“THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approve that the Metis Nation of Ontario Community Support Services Program utilize a space once every 6 weeks from 8:30am to 3:00p.m. starting Thursday April 30th, 2015 to provide free foot care service, diabetic supplies, educational material and reflexology.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: J. Brown Res. # 15-078**

**“THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Township of Aurora;

**WHEREAS** the Provincial Government has recently introduced “Bill 52, Protection

of Public Participation Act, 2014”; and

**WHEREAS** Bill 52 seeks to amend the *Courts of Justice Act*, the *Libel and Slander*

*Act* and the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act* in order to protect expression on

matters of public interest; and

**WHEREAS** Bill 52 is commonly referred to as Anti-SLAPP legislation and is

intended to enact many of the recommendations put forward by the Anti-SLAPP

Advisory Panel of 2010; and

**WHEREAS** SLAPP litigation, an acronym for Strategic Lawsuits Against Public

Participation, is a tactic which is often viewed as a means to silence, intimidate

and deter people from participating in discussions on matters of public interest;

and

**WHEREAS** the Province has stated that the ability to freely participate in public

discussion about matters of public interest, without fear of retribution, is

fundamental to a fair and democratic society.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Township of South Algonquin express its support for Bill 52 which should help protect and encourage freedom of expression on matters of the public interest and discourage the use of the courts in ways that unduly limit that freedom; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**

this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, MP Cheryl Gallant and MPP John Yakabuski.”

**-Carried-**

**14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None**

**15. BY-LAWS:**

**First & Second Reading Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Brown Sess. #15-079**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to govern the proceedings of the Council for the Township of South Algonquin, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings, 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: D. Harper Seconded by: J. Florent Sess. #15-080**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to govern the proceedings of the Council for the Township of South Algonquin, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings as referred by the committee of the whole council and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered **15-482** 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 & Second Reading Moved by: J. Florent Seconded by: D. Harper Sess. #15-081**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to authorize the extension of an Agreement for Voter List Management services to December 31, 2018 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: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Brown Sess. #15-082**

“**BEING A BY-LAW** to authorize the extension of an Agreement for Voter List Management services to December 31, 2018 as referred by the committee of the whole council and that it be read a third time and passed and numbered **15-483** 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-**

**Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: D. Harper Res. # 15-083**

**“THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the payment of all bills as recorded and presented for the meeting of March 19, 2015 Batch 2015-024 to Batch 2015-026 in the amount of $73,501.17 .”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: B. Rodnick Seconded by: J. Florent Res. #15-084**

“That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular

meeting of March 19, 2015 at 7:47 p.m.”

**-Carried-**

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Mayor Jane Dumas CAO/ Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Klatt