November 13, 2020 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES On Friday, November 13, 2020 the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Special Council Meeting via Zoom Meeting which was streamed to YouTube.

Present- Mayor Dumas Councillor Sandra Collins Councillor Joe Florent Councillor Dave Harper Councillor Bongo Bongo Councillor Richard Shalla Councillor Joey Vermaire Staff- Holly Hayes, CAO/ Clerk –Treasurer Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator-Recording Secretary

Guests- Mr. Doug Carr, Ontario's Chief Negotiator Ms. C.B. Pappin, Communications Advisor with the Ontario Ministry of Indigenous Affairs Ms. Jennifer Griffin, Senior Negotiator, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resource and Forestry Ms. Cara Hernould Associate Negotiator at Ontario Ministry of Indigenous Mr. Norm Lemke, Co-Chair, Municipal Advisory Committee, Municipal Focus Group

1. OPEN MEETING/CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Dumas called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: D. HarperSeconded by: B. BongoRes. # 20-167"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin
adopts the Agenda as circulated for the Special Council meeting of November 13, 2020."-Carried-

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

5. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Doug Carr, Ontario's Chief Negotiator provided an overview of the presentation "Updates to the Proposed Settlement Lands, Municipal Engagement and Public and Aboriginal Consultation". Ms. Jennifer Griffin, Senior Negotiator, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resource and Forestry thanked township staff in assisting with the public notice mailout. Ms. Griffin continued with the presentation with the proposed settlement lands changes from 2017 parcel selection and the expansion of Lake St. Peter Provincial Park, which will remain in Provincial control. Ms. Griffin updated council on public consultation phases. As of October 26th the public notice package was mailed to all property owners and interested parties within 120 m of proposed lands. The publication of the Supplemental Report to the Draft Environmental Evaluation Report; Proposed Settlement Lands is also available for review.

Ms. Cara Hernould Associate Negotiator at Ontario Ministry of Indigenous provided Council municipal engagement approach. The Zoning and the Official Plan designations of the proposed parcels have taken place. This exercise will bring settlement lands at the time of transfer into the jurisdiction of municipal land use planning. The province will continue to work with municipalities to ensure that all lands being transferred will remain in compliance with local planning documents. Ms. Griffith continued the presentation, updating council with next steps. Goal is by 2023 negotiations be completed and begin approval process.

Discussion and question/answer throughout the meeting;

- Mr. Doug Carr, Ontario's Chief Negotiator confirmed lands will not be transferred until there is an agreement for all parts of the Treaty.
- Council wishes to meet with the Negotiation Representative for Whitney and Area Algonquins, Bob Craftchick to inquiry what the Algonquins perspective is on the expansion of Lake St. Peter Provincial Park.
- Ms. Griffith confirmed the notice mailout was sent to Aylen Lake Cottage Association, Spectacle Lake Cottage Association and McKenzie Lake Property Owners Association.
- The existing trails that will go through the expansion of the Lake St. Peter Provincial Park will be addressed by the Provincial Park Management process post transfer.
- Public access will be provided adjacent and part of parcel 344.

- Concern with parking and docking facilities for the proposed water access properties on Bark Lake and Aylen Lake, especially with parcel 72D (proposed parking lot; marina development) being removed. Township parking and docking have already exceeded capacity.
- Parcel 91G is recreational area utilized by many residents of South Algonquin and the concern this will be lost. Mr. Carr offered to play a role with the negotiation with the Algonquins for the use. It will be further discussed at a future council meeting. 91G is proposed to be a large nation land parcel for community recreation and cultural. If developed there would need to be service agreements put in place. ***Following the meeting, a clarification email was received, which has been attached to these minutes.**
- Once lands are transferred to the Algonquins and held in fee simple they will be subject municipal taxes and MPAC assessments, with limited tax exemptions for 91G, as it is not proposed to be developed. Land transfer may take up to twenty years.

18. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by: S. CollinsSeconded by: J. FlorentRes. # 20-168"BE IT RESOLVED THAT That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South
Algonquin adjourns the Special meeting of November 13, 2020, at 10:36 a.m."-Carried-

Mayor Jane Dumas

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Holly Hayes Plng. & Bldg. Admin-Tracy Cannon Recording Secretary Good morning Holly.

Here is some wording to make sure that there is clarity around the taxation associated with Nation Lands. We have included reference to the Agreement in Principle so that it is clear that the arrangement is detailed in the AIP. Hope that this is helpful. Norm

Thank you for providing us with an opportunity to clarify the negotiation parties' understandings regarding service agreements for the nation lands that will be exempt from regular property taxation, providing they remain undeveloped.

This matter is covered in Chapter 12 of the Agreement-in-Principle, wherein the parties agree that a financial arrangement will be negotiated between the Algonquins of Ontario and the appropriate local government authority under which the Algonquins will pay the costs of any services that will be provided to those parcels of land not subject to municipal taxation (known as "Specified lands"). Arrangements for such a service agreement are to be in place prior to the Final Agreement for the land claim, and the service agreement is to come into effect on the date of transfer of the specified lands.

For your reference, here are the AIP provisions that specify the requirement for service agreements:

12.2.1: An Algonquin institution that meets the criteria specified in the Final Agreement is not subject to real property taxation in respect of the Specified Algonquin Lands that it owns if:

(a) there are no improvements on the lands, and

(b) a financial arrangements has been entered into in respect of the lands under 12.2.2.

12.2.2: Where Specified Algonquin Lands are to be exempt from taxation under 12.2.1, the Algonquin Institution, prior to the Final Agreement, will enter into a financial arrangement with the appropriate government authority under which the Algonquin Institution will pay the costs of any services that the Algonquin Institution and the government authority agree will be provided to Specified Algonquin Lands, which financial arrangement would become effective on the Date of Transfer for the particular parcels of Specified Algonquin Lands. Any costs associated with such financial arrangements will be the responsibility of the Algonquin Institution.

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