

**September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

On Wednesday, September 6, 2023, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Regular Hybrid Council Meeting via Zoom Meeting and in Chambers, which was streamed to YouTube.

In Chambers:

Mayor LaValley

Councillor Sandra Collins

Councillor Joe Florent

Councillor Joan Kuiack

Councillor Shawn Pigeon

Councillor Bill Rodnick

Councillor Laurie Sydock

Staff:

Bryan Martin, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Steven Ronholm – Public Works Superintendent

Ian Collins- Fire Chief

Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator

Guests: Lisa Severson & Jason St. Pierre, Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN)  
Chris Legget, Spectra Point Inc. (Agent of Rogers Communication Inc.)

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

Mayor Ethel LaValley called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by: Councillor Collins      Seconded by: Councillor Florent      Res. # 23-246**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated for the Regular Council Meeting of September 6, 2023.

**-Carried-**

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

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

Lisa Severson & Jason St. Pierre, Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) presented the EORN Cell Gap Project.

Chris Legget, Spectra Point Inc. (Agent of Rogers Communication Inc.) presented a presentation on a proposed Self Support Tower at 831 McGuey Road and 3121A Highway 523.

**8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res # 23-247**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 5, 2023 as circulated.

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Kuiack      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 23-248**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 15, 2023 as circulated.

**Carried**

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

**Library Report**

A written report was provided in the council package by CEO/Head Librarian Charlene Alexander.

**Public Works Reports** A written report was provided in the council package by Public Works Superintendent Steven Ronholm.

**Fire Report**

A written report was provided in the council package by Fire Chief Ian Collins.

**Short-Term Rental Policy and Zoning By-Law Amendment Report**

A written report was provided by Bryan Martin, CAO/ Clerk Treasurer.

**Lake Plan Report – McKenzie Lake**

A written report was provided by Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator

**M&L**

Minutes of the June 13, 2023 meeting were provided in the council package.

Items and furniture were moved or lost during a rental in June at the Madawaska Community Centre. This has been very time consuming for staff and committee members to find and replace items and put the building back in order.

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

**11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**12. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items**

- South Algonquin Business Alliance; Re: Economic Development Appointment – Received as information.
- Resolution of support will be passed by resolution.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE-Information Items**

- Items received as information

**14. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor LaValley provided an update on the presentations she attended at the AMO conference with the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Long-Term Care.

Will follow up with the new Minister of Long-Term Care in a few weeks.

**15. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 23-249**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Town of Shuniah pertaining to Bill 3.

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick      Res. # 23-250**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent pertaining to reducing municipal insurance.

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 23-251**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent and the Town of Plympton-Wyoming pertaining to Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 23-252**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from Fort Erie pertaining to controls on Airbnbs, VRBO and others which affect municipal rentals.

**-Carried-**

**Due to a conflict of interest Councillor Kuiack and Councillor Pigeon did not participate in discussion or vote for the above resolution.**

**16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None**

**17. BY-LAWS:**

**Moved by: Councillor Rodnick      Seconded by: Councillor Florent      Res. # 23-253**

THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2023-765, Amend Speed Limit on Spectacle Lake Road
- 2) By-Law 2023-766, Confirm the Proceedings of Council

BE READ A FIRST TIME AND BE DEEMED READ A SECOND TIME

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 23-254**  
THAT:  
1) By-Law 2023-765, Amend Speed Limit on Spectacle Lake Road  
2) By-Law 2023-766, Confirm the Proceedings of Council  
BE READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED  
**-Carried-**

**18. CLOSED SESSION:**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Siydock      Res. # 23-255**  
THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin move into a closed session in accordance with Ontario Municipal Act, Part VI, S.239 (2)(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; And Ontario Municipal Act, Part VI, S.239 (2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees at 1.14 p.m.

**19. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Kuiack      Res. # 23-256**  
THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Regular Council Meeting of September 6, 2023 at 2:04 p.m.  
**-Carried-**

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

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Mayor Ethel LaValley

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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bryan Martin