

**November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

**COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

On Wednesday, November 1, 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-Regrets  
Councillor Shawn Pigeon  
Councillor Bill Rodnick  
Councillor Laurie Siydock

**Staff:**

Bryan Martin, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer  
Steven Ronholm – Public Works Superintendent  
Ian Collins- Fire Chief  
Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator

Guests: Tony Fleming, Integrity Commissioner Cunningham Swan Lawyers

**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 ACKNOWLEDEMENT**

**4. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

New Business: DNSSAB Housing Need Study  
DNSSAB Hiring Committee

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by: Councillor Collins      Seconded by: Councillor Siydock      Res. # 23-269**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated and amended for the Regular Council Meeting of November 1, 2023.

**-Carried-**

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

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

Tony Fleming, Integrity Commissioner Cunningham Swan Lawyers presented the Conflict of Interest Complaint Report.

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick      Res # 23-270**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin accepts the Conflict of Interest Report provided by Integrity Commissioner, Tony Fleming of Cunningham Swan Lawyers.

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res # 23-271**

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin does not accept the recommendations within the Conflict of Interest Report provided by Tony Fleming, Integrity Commissioner of Cunningham Swan Lawyers;

AND no penalty will be imposed.

**-Carried-**

Mayor LaValley requested a recorded vote.

Mayor LaValley - for  
Councillor Collins – for  
Councillor Florent - for  
Councillor Rodnick – against  
Councillor Siydock - for  
Councillor Pigeon did not participate in voting.

**8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Moved by: Councillor Rodnick      Seconded by: Councillor Florent      Res # 23-272**  
THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 4, 2023 as circulated.  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Siydock      Res. # 23-273**  
THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Human Resources, Administration & Public Relations Committee Meeting of October 23, 2023 as circulated.  
**-Carried-**

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

**Library Report**

September Library Board Minutes were provided in the council package by CEO/Head Librarian Charlene Alexander.

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

S. Ronholm verbally informed council that a rental grader has been obtained. The township grader requires a new radiator and may be operational next week. If the township grader gets repaired in time two graders will be operational to get ahead of freeze up.

**Fire Report**

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

I. Collins verbally informed council that the hydraulic pump has now been repaired and all other equipment is functional with the exception of a couple flashlight.

**Council Report**

Councillor Florent verbally provided an apology to fulfill the conflict of interest penalty per council direction at the Regular Council Meeting of October 4, 2023.

**M&L**

Agenda for October 10, 2023 meeting and the minutes of the September 12, 2023 meeting were provided in the council package.

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

**11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**12. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items**

- Resolution, Amendment to Schedule of Fees By-Law 2023-768
- Resolution, Proposed Rogers Communication Tower C8505, 831 McGuey Road-Request for Concurrence
- Resolution of Support; The Corporation of the Town of Midland Re: “Catch and Release” Justice is Ontario
- Resolution of Support; Town of Wasaga Beach Re: Illegal Car Rally – Provincial Task Force
- Resolution of Support; The Corporation of the Township of the Archipelago Re: Request to Province to declare gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic in Ontario
- Ontario Volunteer Service Awards
- Physician Recruitment and Retention for Barry’s Bay and Area
- Letter of Information Interactive Webinar- Examination of School Closures

**13. CORRESPONDENCE-Information Items**

- Conflict of Interest Report; Tony Fleming, Integrity Commissioner; Cunningham Swan Lawyers
- SABA Accomplishments
- Premier of Ontario – Thank you letter
- Highway 60 Bridges at Madawaska River & Opeongo River Preliminary Design Study
- Sustainable Northern Ontario Economic Development course

**14. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Catherine Matheson, Chief Administrative Officer has resigned from District of Nipissing Social Service Board (DNSSAB). Mayor LaValley has been requested to be part of the hiring committee. The committee is to meet on Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.
- District of Nipissing Social Service Board (DNSSAB) has put out a housing survey. Mayor LaValley emphasized the importance of completing the survey and will be going to the Senior Centre this afternoon to assist people in filling it in.

**15. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick      Res. # 23-274**  
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin accepts the amendments to Schedule “A” of the Schedule of fees By-Law# 2023-768.  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 23-275**  
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin accepts the summary of public consultation from Spectra Point for the proposed Rogers Communications Inc Tower C8508, located at 831 McGuey Road.  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Collins      Seconded by: Councillor Siydock      Res. # 23-276**  
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from The Corporation of the Town of Midland regarding “Catch and Release” Justice is Ontario.  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 23-277**  
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin table the resolution of support from the Town of Wasaga Beach regarding Illegal Car Rally.  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 23-278**  
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from The Corporation of the Township of the Archipelago regarding the request to the Province to declare gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic in Ontario.  
**-Carried-**

**16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None**

**17. BY-LAWS:**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 23-279**  
 THAT:  
 1) By-Law 2023-770, Confirm the Proceedings of Council  
 BE READ A FIRST TIME AND BE DEEMED READ A SECOND TIME  
**-Carried-**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick      Res. # 23-280**  
 THAT:  
 1) By-Law 2023-770, Confirm the Proceedings of Council  
 BE READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED  
**-Carried-**

**18. CLOSED SESSION: None**

**19. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved by: Councillor Collins      Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick      Res. # 23-281**  
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Regular Council Meeting of November 1, 2023 at 10:17 a.m.  
**-Carried-**

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

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Mayor Ethel LaValley

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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bryan Martin