

The Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin

Regular Council Meeting January 10, 2024

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN

AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 9:00 a.m.

**Council Chambers
Municipal Office
7 Third Avenue
Whitney, Ontario**

And ZOOM and You Tube Channel: South Algonquin Council

1. Open Meeting/Call to order – 9:00 a.m.
2. Roll Call
3. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the unceded Traditional Territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg people, specifically the Matouweskarini (people of the Madawaska River). We further acknowledge that the Algonquin People have been stewards of this land since time immemorial and we strive to treat the land along with the flora and fauna it supports, the people, their customs and traditions, with honour and respect. Today, this area is home to people of all walks of life, and we acknowledge the shared opportunities and responsibilities to live, work and survive within this beautiful territory.

Chi-miigwetch, All my relations

4. Additions / Amendments to the Agenda
5. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Res. # 24-

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the Agenda as circulated for the Regular Council Meeting of January 10, 2024.

Carried

Defeated

6. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
7. Petitions, Delegations and/or Presentations: None
8. Minutes of Previous Meetings (s)
 - Adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 6, 2023

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Res. # 24-

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

Carried

Defeated

9. Committee, Staff and/or Councillor Reports
10. Business Arising from the Minutes

11. Unfinished Business
12. Correspondence – Action Items
13. Correspondence – Information Items
14. New Business
15. Motions of Council
16. Notice of Motions
17. By-Laws
18. Resolution to Move into a “Closed Session”
19. Adjournment

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Res. # 23-

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Regular Council Meeting of January 10, 2024 at .

Defeated

Carried

December 6, 2023

COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Wednesday, December 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 Siydock

Staff:

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

Guests: Forbes Symon Jp2g Consultants, Senior Planner - Statutory Public Meeting for the Official Plan Amendment/Update

1. OPEN MEETING/CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

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

2. ROLL CALL

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDEMENT

4. ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Collins Seconded by: Councillor Siydock Res. # 23-286

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

-Carried-

6. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

7. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS and/or PRESENTATIONS:

Forbes Symon Jp2g Consultants, Senior Planner - Statutory Public Meeting for the Official Plan Amendment/Update under Section 17 of the Planning Act.

F. Symon provided some history on the processes of the Official Plan Amendment/Update.

It was requested that any comments from members of the public be submitted in writing by December 22, 2023. All comments from the public and the ministries have been recorded.

A summary report with any recommendations from the comments will be brought back to council for consideration in February. It is anticipated the draft Official Plan will be able

available for adoption in March. After Council approval the Official Plan will be submitted to the Ministry for their review.

F. Symon answered questions of council. No members of the public had any questions.

Moved by: Councillor Florent Seconded by: Councillor Kuiack Res. # 23-287

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin closes the public meeting of Council for the Draft Official Plan Amendment/Update and requests a planner's report outlining recommended revisions from the Ministry review and comments from the public.

-Carried-

8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by: Councillor Florent Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick Res. # 23-288

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

-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Siydock Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick Res. # 23-289
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Asset Management Committee Meeting of November 15, 2023 as circulated.
-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Florent Seconded by: Councillor Collins Res. # 23-290
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Waste Management Committee Meeting of November 15, 2023 as circulated.
-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Kuiack Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick Res. # 23-291
 THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of November 22, 2023 as circulated and amended.
-Carried-

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

Library Report

November Library Board Report was 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.

Actioned:

- Sign Boards for Tom & Mick Murray Park- Mayor LaValley has reached out to the Algonquins of Pikwakangan. Mayor LaValley will follow up with them again.
- Parking sign at the turn around on South McKenzie Lake Road should be replaced.

Fire Report

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

Final Strategic Plan Report

A written report was provided in the council package by Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator

Planning & Building Application Summary

A written report was provided in the council package by Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator and Michael Anderson, Chief Building Official/By-Law Enforcement Officer.

Request to Use Madawaska Complex Report

A written report was provided in the council package by Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator.

M&L

Minutes from October 10, 2023 meeting was provided in the council package.

Actioned Verbal Reports:

- Bryan Martin, CAO Clerk-Treasurer provided council with an update of his findings from two companies for the installation of Electric Charging Stations -There is a grant that any business can apply for that expires January 31st. Consensus was the township will not pursue the grant at this time.
- Identification cards for entry to the landfill sites. B. Martin will bring some samples to an upcoming Waste Management Committee Meeting.
- Municipal Dog Pound Report, Councillor Kuiack – South Algonquin residents have access to the facility- Information will be placed in the upcoming newsletter.

10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

12. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items

- Project Ontario ECHO; Virtual Wound Care & Training for Regional Complex Wound Care Teams-Staff to research where program is running out of.
- Resolution of Support; Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami to support Bill amendment to the 'Residents' Bill of Rights -Section 3 of Fixing Long-Term Care Act.
- Whitney Recreation Committee; Raise the Roof Fund Request Letter- A meeting between Council and the Recreation Committee will be scheduled in the new year.

13. CORRESPONDENCE-Information Items

- Township of Faraday, Municipal Dog Pound Board Minutes of October 26, 2023
- Ministry of Transportation, Electric Vehicle ChargeON Program Guide
- Ainley Consulting Group; Highway 60 Design Study- Staff will reach out to the group for clarification on location.

14. NEW BUSINESS:

- Economic Development- training will be scheduled for training Economic Development Committee, including one member of the public that has been assigned by SABA.

15. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:

Moved by: Councillor Kuiack Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon Res. # 23-292

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves the request from Kari Dunn, Mental Health Services of Renfrew County for the use of the Madawaska Complex, free of charge for a couple afternoons a week.

-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Kuiack Seconded by: Councillor Siydock Res. # 23-293

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin agrees to move the Regular Council Meeting of January 3, 2024 to January 10, 2024.

-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Pigeon Seconded by: Councillor Florent Res. # 23-294

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami to support Bill amendment to the 'Residents' Bill of Rights set out in Section 3 of Fixing Long-Term Care Act'.

-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Kuiack Seconded by: Councillor Florent Res. # 23-295

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves the Strategic Plan for 2023-2027 prepared by Municipal Government Wayfinders as amended.

-Carried-

16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None

17. BY-LAWS:

Moved by: Councillor Collins Seconded by: Councillor Siydock Res. # 23-296

THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2023-772, Rental Agreement between Township and DNSSAB for 9 Post Street
- 2) By-Law 2023-773, Maintenance Agreement between Township and His Majesty the King, in right of Ontario for the Opeongo River Provincial Park and the Upper Madawaska River Provincial Park
- 3) By-Law 2023-774, Appointment of Committee of Adjustment Members
- 4) By-Law 2023-775, Agreement between Township and Product Care Association of Canada for Lighting Materials
- 5) By-Law 2023-776, Memorial & Dedication Policy
- 6) By-Law 2023-777 Parking By-Law
- 7) By-Law 2023-778 Confirm the Proceedings of Council

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

-Carried-

Moved by: Councillor Collins Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick Res. # 23-297

THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2023-772, Rental Agreement between Township and DNSSAB for 9 Post Street
- 2) By-Law 2023-773, Maintenance Agreement between Township and His Majesty the King, in right of Ontario for the Opeongo River Provincial Park and the Upper Madawaska River Provincial Park
- 3) By-Law 2023-774, Appointment of Committee of Adjustment Members
- 4) By-Law 2023-775, Agreement between Township and Product Care Association of Canada for Lighting Materials
- 5) By-Law 2023-776, Memorial & Dedication Policy
- 6) By-Law 2023-777 Parking By-Law
- 7) By-Law 2023-778 Confirm the Proceedings of Council

BE READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED

-Carried-

18. CLOSED SESSION: None

19. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by: Councillor Florent Seconded by: Councillor Rodnick Res. # 23-298

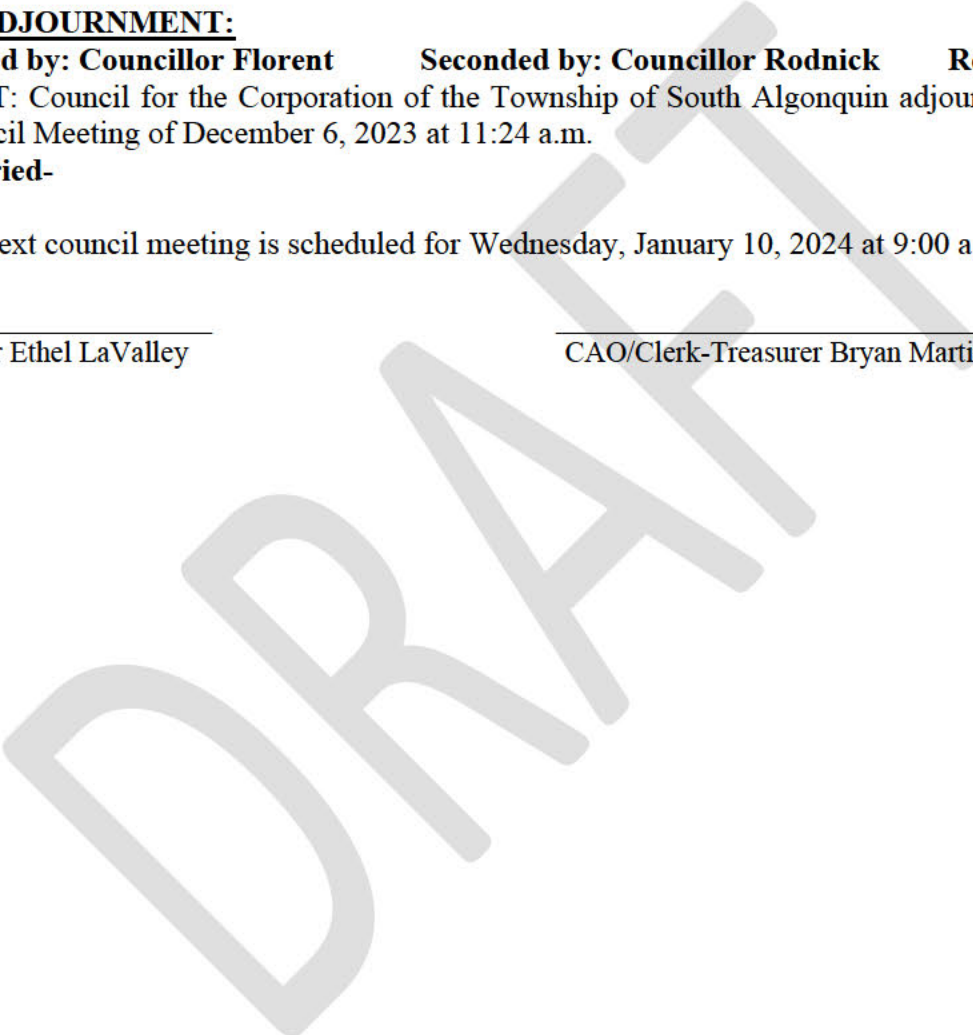
THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Regular Council Meeting of December 6, 2023 at 11:24 a.m.

-Carried-

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Ethel LaValley

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bryan Martin



COUNCIL MEETING

January 10, 2024

COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS:

- 1) Library Report; Charlene Alexander CEO/Head Librarian
- 2) Public Works & Roads Department Report; Steven Ronholm, Works Superintendent
- 3) Monthly Fire Report; Ian Collins, Fire Chief
- 4) Illegal Car Rally Report; Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building Administrator
- 5) M&L Parks and Recreation, RE: Agenda December 12, 2023, Minutes of November 14, 2023 and Toy Drive Fundraiser Report
- 6) Whitney Recreation Committee, Re: Minutes of October 3, 2023

**Township of South Algonquin Public Library - Charlene Alexander
Report – January 2023**

Staff

We are sufficiently staffed to cover the operational hours in the absence of the librarian at the Madawaska branch.

Board

Our last board meeting was November 28th, which we did not have quorum. The next meeting will be on Tuesday January 16th at 7pm in Whitney.

Contact and Service Hours

Whitney: Wi-Fi 24/7

Wednesdays 10am -3pm, Thursdays 12:00pm - 7:00pm, Saturdays 10am – 2pm
whitneylibrary@southalgonquin.ca 613-637-5471

Madawaska: Wi-Fi 24/7

Tuesdays 10am -3pm, Thursdays 12:00pm - 7:00pm, Saturdays 10am – 2pm
madawaskalibrary@southalgonquin.ca 613-637-1099



Council Report for January 2024 Meeting – Public Works & Roads Department

Date: Wednesday January 10th, 2024

Submitted by: Steven Ronholm, Public Works Superintendent

- **Grading Operations** – Final Grading operations were completed as best as possible before winter freezeup given the breakdown of the Township Grader.
 - Township Volvo grader has been repaired since then. Wing Harness and Wing has also been installed so it's ready if required for plowing this winter

- **Landfill Operations**
 - Household Waste Collection material currently going to Lyell Landfill as of December 2023 and being covered with cover material as required. Regular site cleanup of C&D Material ongoing at both landfills also being completed as required.
 - Annual Capacity Surveys by JP2G were completed at both Lyell & Airy Landfills in late November / Early December. Survey data to be included in annual final report from JP2G. Still awaiting report as of January 2nd 2024.
 - Final Annual pickups for scrap steel, tires & electronics were all completed the week of October 16th – October 20th for both landfill sites. Sites currently both in good condition
 - Burning of Brush at landfills completed in December 2023. Notification was provided to Ian (fire chief) prior to any burning taking place.
 - Permanent Septic Pump Tanks fabricated, delivered, Installed & backfilled at both landfill sites Wednesday October 18th, 2023. Permanent outdoor washrooms have been framed up and will be installed on the tanks in January 2024 once tin has been installed on walls / roof (currently waiting for tin to be delivered to yard).

- **Drainage & Road Improvements** – All planned drainage and road improvements for the season have been completed.
 - A good inventory of various size culverts have been purchased and stored in the yard in preparation for Spring 2024

- **Winter Sand Update**
 - 2900t of sand delivered and installed into sand dome at the works yard in Madawaska the in August of 2023
 - Usage of Winter Sand being monitored on a biweekly basis throughout the winter

- Approximately 850t of sand used up from November – January 2nd, 2023 (29% of annual amount brought in in Summer of 2023)
- Capital Projects Update
 - Tom & Mick Murray Park Story Boards – Still waiting on acceptance from MNRF. Story boards have been fabricated and are currently stored at the yard in Madawaska ready for installation once we receive final approvals from MNRF. MNRF requires letters of support, or, records of engagement indicating support for the storyboards from both Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation and the Algonquins of Ontario consultation office.
 - Capital Budget planning for 2024 Season is ongoing.
- Bi-Annual OSIM'S – Jewell Engineering completed Bi-Annual Inspections on all Township structures on July 20th, 2023.
 - Final Reports for all structure Inspection were received on November 27th, 2023. Repairs that will be required within the next 5 year period are as follows:
 - Algonquin Street Bridge – Expansion Joint Repairs (new seals and timber).
 - Algonquin Street Bridge – Erosion & Sediment Control Measures along wingwalls (addition of geotextile & rip-rap stone). This is something we can perform internally with our roads crew.
 - Poverty Creek Bridge – Repair undermining of central support. This is something we can do internally with our roads crew for minimal cost.
 - McCauley Lake Road Culvert Replacement – This will be the most costly structure repair that will be required within the next 5 years. I will look into the option of utilizing the culvert we currently have stored at the works garage in Madawaska which would substantially reduce the cost of this repair
 - Estimates for all of the above repairs will be put together this winter
- Sign Retro-Reflectivity Inspections – Advantage Data Collection have been arranged to complete the annual sign inspections this fall.
 - Sign Inspections were completed in September 2023
 - Report was received in October 2023
 - 2 quotations for replacement of the required signage were acquired in November 2023 and will be presented to Council for 2024 Capital budgeting
- Playground Inspection Reporting
 - 2024 Annual Inspection to occur in Spring of 2024
- Equipment Maintenance / Notes
 - Tandem #7
 - Safety Completed in July 2023.
 - Cross Sanding Chain & Sprockets replaced in November 2023

- New One-way Plow Pushframe Brackets installed in December 2023
- Tandem #27
 - Safety was completed October 2nd, 2023
 - Main sander chain rebuilt in November 2023
 - Truck going into Winslows in Peterborough to address more consistent issue occurring with power loss on truck. Issue determined to be caused by Faulty Fuel / Water Separator and Low Pressure Fuel Lines on truck. Replacement of the fuel / water separator will be covered under the extended warranty on the truck
 - Air Valve Leak fixed by Murray Brothers in December 2023
- Tandem #33
 - Safety Completed October 23rd, 2023
 - Tension Adjustment on Main Sander Chain completed in November 2023
 - Air Leak fixed by Murray Brothers in December 2023
- F-550 Pickup (#34)
 - Annual Safety completed Thursday November 23rd
 - Routine Oil Change completed in December 2023 and fixed a slow leak in one of the rear tires on the vehicle
- F-250 Pickup (#37)
 - New Western MVP3 V-Plow picked up in December 2023 & works fine with new 3/4t pickup
- Garbage Compactor
 - Rear Compactor Piston Leaking Hydraulic Fluid again and will need to be replaced in January 2024
 - Air leak was addressed in December 2023
 - Routine Oil change completed in December 2023
- Promac Mulching Head
 - Hydraulic Motor was repaired in July 2023. Toplift mechanic set hydraulic pressures and RPM of brusher head to manufacturer specifications.
- Routine Oil Changes
 - #30 Pickup oil change completed in December 2023
- Undercoating – All vehicles undercoated late summer / early fall prior to winter of 2023/2024.
- Float Trailer – Required new brakes to be installed by Murray Brothers in November 2023.
- Grader – Volvo Grader has an error code showing up 4.2 which could potentially be a relay. Currently investigating the issue.
- Thompson Water Steamer – Annual Inspection & service completed on the propane Thompson water steamer in December of 2023. 1 Pressure Release Valve, 2 safety valves & 1 Thermocouple were found to have propane leaks in them and were replaced to get the steamer ready for the season.

- Winter Snowplow Maintenance:
 - Plow Wear Parts
 - Additional inventory of wear parts was ordered so we have onhand at yard in Madawaska
 - One-Way Plows
 - Artic Move Cutting Edges replaced on #33 Tandem Oneway Plow in December 2023
 - Wing Plows
 - No Issues to note
 - Tandem Sander Chains
 - Rebuild Kit for main sander chain on Tandem#27 replaced in November 2023
 - #7 Tandem Cross Chain / Sprockets replaced in November 2023
 - 10 & 1/2ft Western V-Plow
 - New Cutting edges installed in December 2023
 - 8 & 1/2ft Western V-Plow
 - No Issues with Plow

- Tender / Quotations
 - Currently working on gathering quotations from different subcontractors to assist with budgeting for next years proposed capital projects

- Safety Update:
 - Incidents – #27 Tandem backed into ditchline at the intersection of Old 127 & HWY 60 on Wednesday November 22nd. Truck had to be towed out of ditch by Holly's Towing out of Killaloe. Incident Report has since then been completed and reviewed internally with works department team and Joint Health Safety Committee. Truck was visually inspected after incident to ensure no damage had occurred as a result of the incident. No damage was found.
 - No new Incidents to report in December 2023
 - Landfill Site Attendants brought forth concerns of a potential propane leak for the heaters in the attendant shelters at Airy & Lyell Landfill Sites. Byer's Heating inspected and installed new propane lines and fittings for the heaters on Monday November 27th in both attendant shelters and tested afterwards for any leaks. No leaks were found present.
 - Implementation of new Worker Safety Program for Works Department is ongoing
 - Setup of new Safety Board at the Works Garage in Madawaska which will have on it all mandatory workplace safety documentation **(complete)**
 - Grab & Go Package for workplace incidents **(complete)**
 - Safety Talks, Safe Work Procedures (SWP's), Safe Job Procedures (SJP's) & JHA's have been all drafted up, printed off and put in a safety binder at the yard. Documentation review commenced with crew in October 2023 and is **(ongoing)**
 - Daily PSI (Pre-Job Safety Instruction)

- Weekly Safety Talk
 - Monthly SJP & SWP
- Training – Reached out to Ground Force Training & Loyalist College (Bancroft) for a quotation on setting up training courses for the Public Works Employee's.
 - Winter Patroller Training course by Ground Force Training completed for entire works department on Monday December 18th, 2023
 - Propane Handling Course booked for January 2024
 - Annual WHMIS Refresher Course to be completed on HR Downloads internally throughout winter for all works department employee's
- PPE Inventory - Sufficient inventory at yard for all works department employee's
- Monthly JHSC Meetings have been arranged in the works department for the last Wednesday of every month and include a H&S representative, worker representatives and management representatives.
 - 4th JHSC Meeting was held on Wednesday November 29th
 - Meeting Notes posted on Safety Board in Madawaska
- Other New Business
 - Job Postings for Rink Attendants & DZ Operator:
 - 4 Applications were received for the rink-attendants and positions will be filled in 1st week of December 2023.
 - Howard & Brenda Drew hired on part-time as rink attendants for Madawaska Rink. Gord Maracle & Hunter Florent to run the rink in Whitney part-time.
 - Rink Update:
 - Rink attendants have lost ice twice on each rink due to the weather conditions and are currently building ice again at both rink locations. Ice base is approximately 1-2" on each rink as of January 2nd, 2024 and long range forecast is looking more favorable to maintain the ice that is currently progressed. If weather conditions maintain below 0C were hoping to have rinks opened for the 2nd week in January (weather dependent).



MONTHLY FIRE REPORT TO COUNCIL

Reporting Date: 28th December 2023

Training / Courses

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Calls / Responses

- 2nd December. Madawaska. EMS requesting fire department assistance to gain entry to locked premises.
- 7th December. Madawaska. SMT training on the new Thermal Imaging camera.
- 8th December. Whitney. Fatal MVC Hwy 60 nr Track & Tower trail. Very lengthy call with an unpleasant ending for the team.
- 12th December. Whitney schools fire drill.
- 19th December. Whitney practice. Team training on the new Thermal Imaging camera.

Complaints / Concerns

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Upcoming Events

- 8th & 9th January 2024. SPI conducting annual service & maintenance on SCBA equipment and SCBA compressor. FF's will also undergo annual Fit testing for correct sealing of SCBA masks.
- 13th & 14th January Annual First Aid, CPR & AED training at Madawaska & Whitney.
- 16th January 2024. FF Dupuis starts his blended instructor's course. Approximately 40hrs online + 4 days classroom sessions.

Correspondence / Other

- 6th December I attended the Renfrew County Fire Chiefs meeting in Pembroke. Of note the MTO is raising the compensation rates in the new year, claims will be backdated to 1st November.



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- 12th December. Fire Department Christmas potluck supper attended by staff & partners.
- Madawaska snowmobile is currently undergoing repairs and is expected to be back in service before the new year.
- Captain Parks and Aleck have now returned to full operational duty.
- Probationary Fire Fighter Pagett has resigned (awaiting letter of resignation) from Whitney Fire Hall.
- New Probationary Fire Fighter Dubreuil has been recruited (awaits police checks) for Whitney Fire Hall.
- Fire Fighter Grice (Whitney) is on a leave of absence until the spring.
- Enquires continue to trace the missing radio and chargers.



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 10, 2024

Agency: Township of South Algonquin

Staff Contact: Bryan Martin CAO &
Tracy Cannon, Planning & Building
Administrator

Agenda Title: Committee/Staff Report

Agenda Action: Resolution

Background

At the Regular Council Meeting of November 1st, Council passed the below resolution.

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-

Council requested staff obtain more information from the Town of Wasaga Beach. Attached to this report is the response staff received from Brian Smith, Mayor of the Town of Wasaga Beach.

A resolution is included in the "Motions of Council" section of this package for consideration.

From: [Brian Smith](#)
To: [Bryan Martin](#)
Subject: RE: Illegal Car Rally – Provincial Task Force
Date: Thursday, December 7, 2023 5:14:00 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
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Good afternoon Bryan,

Having been targeted in the past, The Town of Wasaga Beach proactively introduced bylaws to prohibit unsanctioned car rallies this summer. This was in addition to maxing out our authority under the Municipal Act as well as successfully obtaining a court injunction which granted the OPP the authorization to arrest and remove any person who has knowledge of the Order and who the OPP have reasonable and probable grounds to believe it is contravening or contravened any provisions of the Order. It is important to note however, this Court Order was specific to the events on the Labour Day weekend, and had this occurred a different weekend, our OPP detachment would not have had that authority.

We are asking for the support of municipalities so that when any type of large unauthorized event descends upon a community, there is a framework and resources already in place (which could include enhanced legislation and/or leading the Province to determine if they should be made illegal) to support and manage communities safely.

Would your community, and your local police detachment, have the resources to respond and keep your residents and property safe if something similar occurred in South Algonquin?

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Best regards,



Brian Smith

Mayor
705.429.3844

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From: Bryan Martin <clerk@southalgonquin.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 23, 2023 12:09 PM
To: Brian Smith <mayor@wasagabeach.com>
Subject: RE: Illegal Car Rally – Provincial Task Force

[CAUTION: Outside email]

Your Worship,

Council of the township of South Algonquin is requesting clarification the resolution regarding Illegal Car Rally.

Are these currently “illegal” Car Rally’s and therefore OPP should currently be addressing them, or are they Car Rally’s for which, your council feels should be made illegal.

Appreciate your time to clarify this request for support and your letter to the Honorable Premier.

Regards,

Bryan Martin,CMMIII
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
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September 28, 2023

Premier of Ontario
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BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Premier Ford,

RE: Illegal Car Rally – Provincial Task Force

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Wasaga Beach, during their September 14, 2023 Council meeting adopted the following resolution regarding illegal car rallies:

WHEREAS the prevalence of unsanctioned car rally events has grown in recent years throughout North America;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Wasaga Beach has been the target of unsanctioned car rallies over the past four years resulting in property damage, threats to public order, and significant risk to people's safety and enjoyment of their property;

AND WHEREAS the protections afforded by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms are being violated by unsanctioned car rally organizers and participants, thereby infringing on the rights of others and undermined the response of enforcement personnel;

AND WHEREAS unsanctioned car rally activity crosses multiple jurisdictions requiring a province wide coordinated response framework to protect all communities from the same disruption and risk to public safety;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Wasaga Beach requests that a provincial task force be assembled to create a municipal response framework to protect communities from unsanctioned car rallies with a mandate to include, but not limited to:

- Investigate legislative enhancements and tools to assist municipalities in responding and enforcing unsanctioned car rallies.
- Investigate expanded powers for municipal law enforcement officers.
- Develop a proactive approach to awareness, prevention, enforcement and collaboration across all enforcement personnel, including police, municipal law enforcement officers and other provincial offences officers.
- Investigate harsher penalties and increased fines for unsanctioned car rally organizers and participants.

AND FURTHER THAT the Province provide funding to municipalities to assist with the cost in enforcing unsanctioned car rallies;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Right Honourable Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, MPP Brian Saunderson, Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police, County of Simcoe, FCM, and AMO;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities requesting a letter of support be sent to senior levels of government.

Your favourable consideration of this matter is appreciated.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at mayor@wasagabeach.com or (705) 429-3844.

Respectfully yours,



Brian Smith, Mayor Town of Wasaga Beach

cc: Right Honourable Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
 Hon. Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario
 Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
 Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
 Brian Saunderson, MPP – Simcoe-Grey
 Commissioner Thomas Carrique, Ontario Provincial Police
 County of Simcoe Council
 Federation of Canadian Municipalities
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario
 Ontario Municipalities

**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN**

AGENDA

Murchison & Lyell Parks and Recreation Committee

Tuesday December 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm.
At the Madawaska Community Hall

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Reading & approval of the Agenda plus any additions.
3. Approval of November 14, 2023 minutes and any amendments.
4. Business arising from minutes.
 - a) Councillor's Report.
 - b) Reports: i) Nicole Dupuis: i.) Christmas Fundraiser Dance. ii) Kids' Christmas Party.
5. Financial Report – Balance at the end of November 2023 \$ xxxxxx.

New Business.

6. Performance measurement – Event tracking sheet for November
7. Resolutions.
8. Discussion of Compassionate Communities Champions.
9. Pictures for the Hall.
10. Nicole Dupuis: Kids' Dance between Christmas and New Year's.
11. Valentine's Dance plans.
12. Lights for the Outside of the Hall.
13. Adjournment.

Next meeting Tuesday January 9, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Madawaska Community Hall.

Murchison & Lyell Parks and Recreation Committee of South Algonquin

Minutes for the meeting of Tuesday November 14, 2023 at 6:55 p.m.

Members present: Terry Levean, Sharon Florent, Brendia Drew, Nicole Dupuis, Rosemary Shalla, Fiona Girouard and Sue Dupuis. *and Kerri McIlmoyle.*

Regrets: None.

Council Representative: Councillor Joe Florent.

1. Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Reading and Approval of the Agenda plus any additions.

Motion #28-2023

Moved by: Brendia Drew. Seconded by: Rosemary Shalla.

“To accept the agenda and any amendments or additions.”

Carried

3. Approval and Adoption of October 10, 2023 minutes and any amendments.

Motion #29-2023

Moved by: Rosemary Shalla. Seconded by: Nicole Dupuis.

4. Jenna Stamplicoski to present to the Committee: Madawaska Valley Hospice Palliative Care has been awarded a grant to help our neighbours that don't have family in the area. Volunteers would be asked to do things as simple as delivering a hot meal, picking up mail, a drive to a grocery store, walking a pet, etc. They'd like to compile a list of people willing to do these tasks on a very casual basis. It could be as little as just once or twice in a year.

4. Business arising from minutes: a) Councillor Florent informed us that the revised schedule of fees for the public's use of properties in the Township have been finalized and will take effect on January 1st 2024. Brian Ackney retired from the Township as of October 31st. A lunch was had to wish him well. There are public meetings set for both Whitney and Madawaska to address any questions that the public may have regarding the Official Plan Review that Council has been working on. b) i) Sharon Florent reported that the Halloween Dance, on Oct 28th, had approximately 74 attend. The profit from this was \$1420.78. The Fall/ Christmas Sell Your Wares, on November 5th, had good attendance and a profit of \$1237.56. Reports are filed for both events.

5. Financial Report: The total balance at the end of October was \$35,732.41.

6. Performance Measurement: Reports were done.

7. Resolutions: None.

8. Kerri McIlmoyle: Will file the appropriate paperwork for joining our committee with the Township. She'll get a letter from them to exempt her from payment for the Vulnerable Sectors police check.

9. Nicole Dupuis: Nicole has planned a restricted dance on December 2nd where all profits will go to the Toy Drive for Christmas 2023. She is also working on a Valentine's Dance for 2024.

10. Christmas Kids' Party: This party will happen in the Madawaska Hall on December 10th at 9 am. A pancake breakfast will be served and Santa has planned on a visit as well.

11. Pictures for the Hall: Nicole Dupuis is still working on this.

12. Lights for the Outside of the Hall: We will purchase white lights to be strung around the building.

13. Angel Fundraiser: Letters have been sent out to raise funds for the Tree of Lights program for SFMHF.

14. Adjournment:

Motion #30-2023

Moved by: Fiona Girouard Seconded by: Rosemary Shalla.

“Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.”

Next meeting – Tuesday December 12th, 2023, at 7pm at the Community Hall.

Chair 
Terry Levean

Secretary 
Sharon Florent

Toy Drive Fundraiser Dance

December 2, 2023

Money in

Door

Approximately 70 attended \$700.00
 Money paid for music 200.00
 Total funds in \$500.00

Liquor returns \$ 296.70
 Bottle returns 25.90

Total in from bar, door and returns

Bar

Money in \$1433.00
 Donations and tips 250.40
 Total funds in \$1683.40

\$ 2506.00

Money out

Liquor purchase \$1106.90
 Supplies used- orange juice 4.99
 Bread 7.47
 1 bottle Pepsi 3.39
 1 bag ice 2.99
 Licence for event 150.00

Total money paid out

Profit made from this event

\$1275.74

\$1230.26

Cash amount donated to the Community Resource Centre Toy Drive

\$1230.00

REPORT #23-10
 By Sharon Floreat
 December 3, 2023

Whitney Recreation Meeting

Oct 3, 2023 6:30 PM

1. Welcome everyone
2. Discussed Land acknowledgement, Joan indicated that this was not the one that the Township uses - she would provide that one.

We acknowledge that the land on which we are gathered and reside is the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg. We acknowledge that the Algonquin people have long been stewards of this land. Today, this land is home to Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, and we acknowledge the shared opportunity to live and work within this territory.

Name	Present	Regrets	Name	Present	Regrets
Joe Avery – Chair			Laurie Siydock	X	
Robert Craftchick	X		Joan Kuiack	X	
Kensley Cannon			Holly Hayes	X	
Kelsey Fuller	X		Lynn LePage		
Shelley Grice			Jessica Robertson		
Leanne Panke					

3. Addition to the agenda, acceptance of agenda
4. Google drive discussion/overview

Holly provided a summary of where the google docs are and how they can be shared - committee will try to keep minutes and agendas here going forward.

5. Review/ approve minutes from last meeting

Per the previous minutes Council is discussing the need for playground equipment that is accessible, agree that a grant should be applied for, and that there's a need and the township could include it in the budget.

General discussion of future events that were deferred to the sections of the agenda.

6. Council Report

Need to elect treasurer - develop our own format for income/expenses on a monthly basis - separate from the Township

The purpose of this was to keep books that outline where funds are coming from and what they are being raised for, generally the committee feels that profit from events are intended to pay for future events. When funds are spent the committee agrees to the expense and a request is given to the deputy-treasurer.

Discussed that the Beautification committee would like to earmark funds for their needs - if there is specific fundraising for beautification it can be tracked prior to providing to the township.

Commemorative Program J Kuiack would like to start a program, and met with Public Works Super to discuss where the benches and trees will go, the committee agrees that it's a good idea and is willing to support the activities as the plan progresses.

7. Treasurer Report None

8. Update of any events since last meeting

- a. Paint night - Success doing it again
- b. Council discussion about facility hourly rental (JK), Joan is going to further discuss the use of the recreation centres with council and report back to us.

Suggested cost of \$25 for two hours, the committee feels that this will help local community members share skills or events to improve social interaction.

9. Plan for future events

- a. Beautification, the members of council are going to attempt to get parks infrastructure paid for under the municipal budget as has been past practice. The recreation committee doesn't feel that we are able to support all parks projects and maintenance.
- b. Skate Club - theme nights, treats, committee agreed that we will try to plan these.
- c. Festival of Outdoor rinks (HH) will begin planning after Christmas,
- d. Paint nights (KF/HH), planned going forward, Bob C has paint to donate.
- e. Music Lessons for teens (HH), ongoing.
- f. Pumpkin carving party (HH), going ahead, knives Kelsey - will get people to help.
- g. Movie night (HH) will plan
- h. Makers Market/Craft sale (JA)

Brendia Drew, is hosting, rec is providing coffee, tea and chili, Bob C is going to order more 6oz cups.

- i. Christmas (Parade support, cookie party, breakfast with Santa, tree lighting etc.)
all the Christmas stuff was already talked about

Tree Lighting - December 3rd?

purchasing a large string light tree - Holly will research and bring info to the next meeting.

- j. Potential to collaborate with the Algonquin office, ideas brainstorming - Truth and Reconciliation...(HH/discussion) we are planning to learn one Algonquin word per month. (Pjoshin Welcome)

10. Longer term projects/ or goals update

- a. Raise the roof/grant discussion update

being proposed to raise the roof money \$20k of it to upgrade the rink and put concrete a letter should be sent to the public regarding the use of the funds.

- b. LSB kitchen - Bryan is looking into the requirements and possibly getting a quote.
- c. Out house at playground (baby change station) no update
- d. doors open at LSB for washrooms - change the doors at the LSB.
- e. Review the Recreation Plan - what next. Joan walked through what has been done and what has been moved into next year.

11. Unfinished business

- a. Shirts - not going to move forward.

12. Township request or interaction

- a. recycling at the Lester Smith Building

Discussed Earth Day, swap with recycling info sessions and re-cycling at the Lester Smith

- b. Sound absorption Boards

permission to do it - now we'll buy the equipment

13. Meeting dates discussion **1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm**

Determined we will keep it on this date because the council meeting is the next day and Council can report anything discussed.

14. Adjourn meeting @ 9:05

COUNCIL MEETING

January 10, 2024

ACTION:

- 1) Resolution of Support; Township of Perry - Request to Amend Legislation Act 2006, RE: Digital Publication.



Township of Perry

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November 20, 2023

Via Email

Hon. Doug Downey
 Attorney General
 McMurtry-Scott Building, 11th Floor, 720 Bay St.
 Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honourable Downey,

**RE: Letter of Support - Amendments to Legislation Act, 2006 –
 Corporation of the Township of Perry**

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting on Wednesday November 15, 2023, the Council of the Township of Perry supported the following resolution:

"Resolution #2023-378

Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Whereas Metroland Media Group has sought bankruptcy protection and will cease to print publication of its weekly community newspapers across Ontario, moving to an online-only model; and

Whereas Neil Oliver, Chief Executive Officer and President of Metroland Media Group, said the 71 Metroland community publications will be digital only going forward; and

Whereas the Legislation Act, 2006, provides a definition of 'newspaper' which applies to every Ontario Act and Regulation, as in a provision requiring publication, means a document that (a) is printed in sheet form, published at regular intervals of a week or less and circulated to the general public, and (b) consists primarily of news of current events of general interest; ('journal'); and

Whereas Ontario Municipalities are required to follow publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations; and

Whereas communities such as the East Parry Sound Area cannot comply with publication requirements in Provincial Acts and Regulations as the Almaguin News and Muskoka Region publications are no longer being printed in sheet form and there are no other local news publications fitting the definition of 'newspaper'; and

Whereas some small, rural, Ontario Municipalities may not have the means to bring an application to the Court to ask for directions and approval of an alternate manner of providing notice;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby request the Provincial Government to make an amendment to the Legislation Act, 2006, to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Paul Calandra, the Honourable Parry Sound Muskoka MPP Graydon Smith, The Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO), CEO and President of Metroland Media Group, Neil Oliver, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried."

Your immediate attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

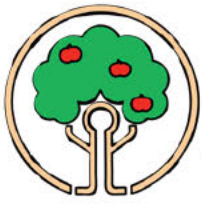


Erica Cole, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk

CC: Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandara
Honourable Parry Sound Muskoka MPP Graydon Smith
The Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO)
CEO and President, Metroland Media Group, Neil Oliver
All Ontario municipalities

COUNCIL MEETING**January 10, 2024****CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION:**

- 1) Renfrew County and District Health Unit 2024 Funding Requirements
- 2) Assessment Notice Crownland Tenants
- 3) Final Strategic Plan with Revisions Per Council Direction
- 4) EV Charging Station Request Letter



December 11, 2023

Mayor LaValley
Township of South Algonquin
P.O. Box 217, 7 Third Avenue
Whitney, ON K0J 2M0

Dear Mayor LaValley,

This is to inform you that the Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) Board of Health held a special meeting on December 7, 2023, to review the anticipated funding requirement for 2024.

On behalf of the Board of Health and pursuant to Section 72 (5) of the Health Protection and Promotion Act (HPPA), written notice is being provided to your CAO for the estimated amount that will be required to defray RCDHU's 2024 expenses under Section 72 (1).

The estimated amount required for 2024 is \$26,311.

To provide additional information for your review, you will find the following enclosed background material:

- RCDHU Levy Considerations and Assumptions for 2024 Funding Year: Mandatory Programs,
- RCDHU Notice to Obligated Municipalities 2024 Funding Requirements,
- History of the Municipal Levy from 1987-2024.

Your ongoing support of Renfrew County and District Health Unit's programs and services continues to be very much appreciated, especially during these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Joanne King
Vice-Chair, Board of Health

Enclosures



Renfrew County and District Health Unit

“Optimal health for all in Renfrew County and District”

RCDHU Levy Considerations and Assumptions for 2024 Funding Year: Mandatory Programs

Each year in December the Board of Health for Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) reviews and approves the anticipated funding requirement for the mandatory program base budget. The mandatory programs are the core programs required by the Ontario Public Health Standards (OPHS) and required by the Ministry of Health. These programs are funded through a shared contribution from the province and the local obligated municipalities.

The Board of Health has approved the recommended amount for calendar year 2024, based on known factors and assumptions as follows:

Ministry Funded Components:

Base + Mitigation

Base funding will increase by 1% next year as announced by the province in their Strengthening Public Health initiative. As well, the Mitigation funding of \$908,400, received since 2019, will be added back to the base funding from the Ministry of Health in 2024. The estimated total base amount from the province will be \$6,349,567 for 2024. The Board of Health recognizes that a 1% increase in funding is insufficient to maintain services or create a sustainable path forward.

Funding Split

The Ministry has announced the funding split with municipal partners will return to the 75%/25% share in place prior to 2019.

No COVID-19 One-time funding

Covid-19 is part of the RCDHU mandatory program service requirements. However, the Ministry has not increased base funding in recognition of this additional financial burden to health units. There will be no one-time, extraordinary funding offered in 2024 from the Ministry.

Wages and Benefit Cost considerations

The estimates were prepared with staffing levels at minimum requirements to provide the essential services of the health unit.

Payroll and benefits are anticipated to be over 85% of the 2024 budget. Negotiations continue with both unions, OPSEU and ONA. Both contracts expired at the end of December 2022. Therefore, increments to the wage grids and corresponding impact to benefit costs have been estimated.

General overhead costs including insurance, goods, services and supplies have risen dramatically and will stay high in 2024.

Conclusion:

The recommendation for the Municipal Funding Requirement for 2024 is to apply a 11.33% increase to the 2023 levy amount of \$2,045,297. This would be an increase of \$231,733 bringing the new total levy to \$2,277,030.

This is a cost sharing for mandatory programs between the province and the local obligated municipalities of 74%/26%. This split does not include Seniors Dental, Healthy Babies and Unorganized Territory funding received from the province at 100%.

This levy increase is required in order to mitigate risks from the following considerations for 2024 including:

- Insufficient funding from the Province to maintain a 75%/25% split or match the escalation of costs
- it is necessary to find additional savings by reducing mandated program service levels or postponing needed program service changes.
- Ongoing recovery and COVID_19 work, funding stopped in 2024.
- Projected salary/wage and benefit increases not yet established, ongoing contract negotiations.

- General insurance increases well in excess of inflationary rates
- General inflation pressures on purchased goods and services.

Below is the table showing the estimated impact to the three obligated municipalities:

FUNDING REQUIREMENT:				
Obligated Municipality	Ratio	Projected 2024 Levy	Actual 2023 Levy	Change
Township of South Algonquin	1.16%	\$ 26,311	\$ 23,633	\$ 2,678
City of Pembroke	13.01%	296,222	266,076	30,147
County of Renfrew	85.84%	1,954,497	1,755,588	198,909
	100.00%	\$2,277,030	\$ 2,045,297	\$ 231,733

Heather G. Daly

**RENFREW COUNTY & DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT
NOTICE TO OBLIGATED MUNICIPALITIES 2024
FUNDING REQUIREMENT**

Based on MPAC population Statistics

2022

POPULATION:

Township of South Algonquin	1,013	1.16%
City of Pembroke	11,405	13.01%
County of Renfrew	75,251	85.84%
	87,669	100.00%

2024 FUNDING REQUIREMENT

\$2,277,030

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RENFREW COUNTY and DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT
MUNICIPAL LEVY HISTORY

Year	Population	Municipal Levy \$	% Increase (Decrease)	Cost Per Capita	Cost Sharing Prov.%/Mun.%
2024	87,669	2,277,030	11.33%	\$ 25.97	Actual 74%/26%
2023	87,669	2,045,297	2%	23.33	70/30 with mitigation
2022	88,289	2,005,193	0	22.71	70/30 with mitigation
2021	88,289	2,005,193	8.46%	22.71	70/30 with mitigation
2020	88,289	1,848,733	10.00%	20.94	70/30 with mitigation
2019	88,289	1,680,666	1.83%	19.04	70/30 with mitigation
2018	90,398	1,650,516	0%	18.26	75%/25%
2017	90,398	1,650,516	0.00%	18.26	75%/25%
2016	90,398	1,650,516	-2.62%	18.26	75%/25%
2015	90,398	1,694,966	2.00%	18.75	75%/25%
2014	90,578	1,661,731	0.00%	18.35	75%/25%
2013	90,578	1,661,731	0.00%	18.35	75%/25%
2012	90,578	1,661,731	3.00%	18.35	75%/25%
2011	90,578	1,613,331	3.00%	17.81	75%/25%
2010	92,322	1,566,341	9.93%	16.97	75%/25%
2009	92,322	1,424,916	0.00%	15.43	75%/25%
2008	92,322	1,424,916	0.00%	15.43	75%/25%
2007	92,322	1,424,916	-28.12%	15.43	75%/25%
2006	93,741	1,982,275	0.00%	21.15	65%/35%
2005	93,741	1,982,275	0.00%	21.15	55%/45%
2004	93,741	1,982,275	7.39%	21.15	50%/50%
2003	93,191	1,845,925	0.00%	19.81	50%/50%
2002	93,191	1,845,925	0.00%	19.81	50%/50%
2001	93,191	1,845,926	0.00%	19.81	50%/50%
2000	93,191	1,845,926	0.00%	19.81	50%/50%
1999	93,317	1,845,926	-50.17%	19.78	50%/50%
1998	91,277	3,704,366	307.21%	40.58	0%/100%

1997	91,277	909,697	0.00%	9.97	75%/25%
1996	91,277	909,697	0.00%	9.97	75%/25%
1995	91,277	909,697	0.00%	9.97	75%/25%
1994	88,159	909,697	0.00%	10.32	75%/25%
1993	88,159	909,697	1.97%	10.32	75%/25%
1992	88,159	892,119	7.45%	10.12	75%/25%
1991	86,773	830,290	6.97%	9.57	75%/25%
1990	86,773	776,190	7.90%	8.95	75%/25%
1989	86,773	719,360	11.62%	8.29	75%/25%
1988	87,851	644,486	4.99%	7.34	75%/25%
1987	87,851	613,859		6.99	75%/25%

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Regional Operations Division
Divisional Support Branch
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Ministère des Richesses naturelles et des Forêts
Division des opérations régionales
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TO TENANTS LOCATED ON CROWN LAND

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for property assessment in the Province of Ontario. MPAC does not send Assessment Notices to Crown land tenants in organized municipalities. In unorganized areas, MPAC notifies Crown land tenants of changes to their assessment via the MPAC assessment notice.

As a tenant on Crown land, your total tax payable is based on MPAC's Current Value Assessment. If you wish to review the assessed value of your tenanted site:

1. Contact MPAC directly

By mail: P.O. Box 9808 Toronto, ON M1S 5T9

By telephone: 1-866-296-6722

By e-mail: enquiry@mpac.ca

You will be required to provide the roll number associated with your property, which can be found on your previous tax invoice. If you wish to view a profile of your property online, contact MPAC for an access key, then visit www.aboutmyproperty.ca.

If you are dissatisfied with MPAC's Current Value Assessment:

The mandatory first step is to file a Request for Reconsideration (RfR) with MPAC by **March 31, 2024**. If you are still dissatisfied with your assessment of the property after you receive the results of the RfR from MPAC, you can appeal to the Assessment Review Board (ARB), an independent tribunal of the Ministry of the Attorney General of Ontario. The appeal deadline is 90 days after the mailing of the RfR decision.

Note that you will require authorization from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) to act on its behalf should you wish to have MPAC reconsider the assessment of the property. **Therefore, by means of this letter, MNRF is authorizing you, the tenant, to act as its Agent for the Request for Reconsideration process for your tenanted site.**

Yours Truly,
Lara Oosting
A/Supervisor, Land Business Unit

Strategic Plan

Planning for Success (2023-2027)

November 2023





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Councillor Laurie Siydock, Councillor
Shawn Pigeon, Councillor Joe Florent

Front Row Councillor Joan Kuiack,
Mayor Ethel LaValley, Councillor
Sandra Collins

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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the Township is located on the unceded Traditional Territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg people, specifically the Matouweskarini (people of the Madawaska River).

We further acknowledge that the Algonquin People have been stewards of this land since time immemorial and we strive to treat the land along with the flora and fauna it supports, the people, their customs and traditions, with honour and respect.

Today, this area is home to people of all walks of life, and we acknowledge the shared opportunities and responsibilities to live, work and survive within this beautiful territory.

Chi-miigwetch, All my relations

Executive Summary

Strategic Plans establish priorities for municipalities to focus on and to allocate their resources, to achieve short, medium and long-term goals and visions. Undertaking a Strategic Planning exercise ensures that challenges and goals are carefully identified, and a plan is put in place to respond. A Strategic Plan should be adopted early in a new term of Council to leverage the clarity that it will offer over the 4-year term.

In August 2023, Council directed that a Term-of-Council Strategic Plan be prepared for the Township of South Algonquin. Extensive consultations and interviews occurred to help inform strategic plan content. Consultations included one-on-one interviews with all members of Council and a group workshop with senior administration team members, as well as follow up inquiries. To garner local sentiment, a community survey was made available online and in print for a period of three weeks. There were over 100 respondents to the community survey. The consulting team also conducted comprehensive data mining to ensure evidence-based findings.

Consultations yielded six categories of Common Themes referred to as Key Priorities to address over the term of Council. The most dominant of Key Priorities by far was Housing and Employment.

Executive Summary

Consultations culminated in the preparation of a Preliminary Findings Workshop in which Council members provided additional insights so that this Strategic Plan could be prepared. Council further reinforced the selection of recommended Key Priorities and Action Items.

This plan will carry into the next four years to ensure business continuity and as a new Council assumes office at the end of this term. Regular monitoring and reporting of the strategic plan is essential to ensure the Township is on track to deliver planned priorities. Course corrections can be made when prudent, as part of the monitoring and reporting processes. Doing so, concurrent with annual budget deliberations, allows for corresponding financial decisions to be made. To support budget decisions, Action Item Priority Rankings will be reviewed annually by Council. Timelines are at Council's discretion, and it is possible for some Action Items to carry into the next Strategic Plan.

Annual reporting of the strategic plan and approval of the budget will inform the development of annual departmental workplans. Departmental workplans are utilized by the administration to operationalize Council's priorities, ensure they are coordinated across departments and to set measurable deliverables. The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer will champion these critical steps.

Message from Mayor Ethel LaValley

Facilitated by Municipal Government Wayfinders, and with the insights of members of Council, staff and the public, a strategic plan exercise provided Council with an opportunity to set out a comprehensive blueprint of the goals and objectives, planned projects and specifies key performance indicators (KPI's) to determine success for our next term, specifically 2023-2027. The strategic plan is designed to be a living document and will be reviewed on an annual basis and executed in coordination with operational plans, such as the annual capital and operational budgets.

As Mayor, I am fully committed to overseeing the municipal strategic planning process, ensuring that the plan is forward-thinking and can be used to guide positive change in the municipality.

I was very pleased with the process and how Wayfinders conducted themselves. They were always professional and respectful.



Message from the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer



Our Strategic Plan reflects community priorities and will guide Council and staff when making decisions about budget and project priorities over the next few years. Mayor LaValley and members of Council recognize the importance of adopting a Strategic Plan to set goals and objectives based on community input and the priorities of this term of Council.

Along with employees and dedicated municipal volunteers, and the support of the community, I am confident we will achieve the priorities set-out in our Strategic Plan to meet Council's long-term vision of a safe, thriving and vibrant community.

Thank you Michael and David from Municipal Government Wayfinders for guiding us through this Strategic Planning exercise.

Bryan Martin, CMMIII

Background

The Township of South Algonquin is a small and somewhat remote single tier rural municipality, situated in the District of Nipissing along the south-eastern boundary of Algonquin Provincial Park. Although a member municipality of the District of Nipissing, the Township is separated from the rest of the district by Algonquin Park. This separation from the district has presented some challenges resulting in the Township acquiring some services from the County of Renfrew, which the Township is more closely situated with.

A review of comparator municipalities indicates that the Township of South Algonquin is in an enviable financial position. Financial data provided from the Township's 2022 Financial Statements, demonstrates that the Municipal Finance Officers Association (MFOA) Financial Indicators for the Township are all rated as a "Low Financial Risk". It is unusual to see all financial indicators rated as "low".

Background

Notwithstanding its excellent financial position, the Township faces many common challenges shared by small Ontario municipalities. These include, housing and employment short-falls, inflationary pressures, the growing infrastructure funding gap, lingering COVID-19 pandemic issues and an ever-changing municipal legislative landscape. These all place added burdens on the Township's finite resources.

By taking a strategic approach to service delivery and problem solving, the Township will be better positioned for success.

This Strategic Plan responds to the Council's strategic priorities and goals, as well as known opportunities for improvement. This plan will guide major decision making with respect to allocation of resources and assets from 2023 through 2027. All staff reports should reference Strategic Plan goals, key priorities and action items to ensure they align well with Council's vision for the Township.

Mission Statement

The Township of South Algonquin delivers affordable, efficient and reliable core services to our community.

The Township's Mission Statement is founded on the belief that our primary purpose is to deliver excellent core services to our community. We recognize that our community depends on us to serve them in a manner that is both financially responsible and proficient. We will work as a team to realize our collective mission.



Vision Statement

South Algonquin aspires to be a safe and vibrant Township responsive to the community's desire for enhanced services, housing and employment.

Our Vision Statement is a declaration of our goals and objectives. It confirms what we desire the most for our community. Our Vision Statement is deliberate and measurable. Achieving our Vision Statement will be indicative of our success.



Core Values

Our Core Values are our beliefs. They are what guide our actions. Our Core Values are a statement about who we are as a municipal government. In addition, our Core Values confirm who we are as a Council, staff and volunteers. Our Core Values remind us of how we will administer our affairs, deal with issues or respond to the people. They will guide our day to day, as well as our long-term decision making.



Core Values

A. Integrity and Respect

We strive for high standards of professionalism and ethical behaviour in the workplace. We are honest, open and welcoming. We strive for equitable and fair treatment of everyone.

B. Teamwork

Our Council and staff work together for the benefit of the community. We foster an environment of equality where all people are valued. We build internal and external relationships to achieve common goals.

C. Accountability and Transparency

We believe in taking responsibility for our ourselves and our work. We aim to live up to our commitments and to communicate the outcomes to our residents.

Core Values

D. Fiscal Responsibility and Sustainability

We recognize that we are entrusted to deliver services affordably and efficiently. We will accomplish this through adhering to sound fiscal policies, increasing reserves to fund large expenditures and by delivering core services through implementing prudent financial practices.

E. Innovation

We will consistently strive to be better. We will improve the way we conduct Township business by introducing new approaches, ideas and best practices, or by using new tools and technologies.

Key Priorities and Action Items

Key Priorities and Action Items are where our Vision is turned into action. They are the steps we will take to realize our goals, objectives and vision. Key Priorities and Action Items are measurable for future monitoring and reporting purposes. Each Action Item is accompanied with a recommended priority ranking for planning purposes. Action Items may span a year, multiple years or require permanent on-going effort. Priority rankings are not cast in stone and may require adjustments. Priorities will be reviewed annually by Council.

We will monitor and report on our Key Priorities and Action Items annually to ensure our plan maintains positive momentum.



Key Priorities and Action Items

Our six (6) Key Priorities are derived from common themes that emerged from our consultative Strategic Planning workshops. They also align well with evidenced-based research and the community feedback.

- Asset Management
- Master Planning
- Human Resources
- Finance
- Service Delivery
- Housing and Employment

Key Priority: Asset Management

“Municipal governments own more of Ontario’s core infrastructure than any other order of government. These facilities are essential to our economic prosperity, health and quality of life.” Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) 2021

Strategic Goal:

To reduce the infrastructure funding deficit and expand the use of effective strategies and innovative tools to manage long-term infrastructure needs.



Key Priority: Asset Management

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
AM-1	Repair Paved Surfaces Major Lake Rd., Hay Creek Rd., Nipissing Rd., Church Hill St., Airy Rd.	P1
AM-2	Implement Drainage Improvements Convert Culverts to HDP and Ditching	P2
AM-3	Implement a Rolling Re-gravel Program	P2

Key Priority: Asset Management

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
AM-4	Replace the 1996 Whitney Pumper	P3
AM-5	Replace the 1998 Madawaska Mini-Pumper	P3
AM-6	Renovate the Whitney Fire Hall (washrooms/shower facilities)	P3

Key Priority: Master Planning

“A master plan is a dynamic, long-term planning document that provides a conceptual layout to guide the future growth and development of your organization.”
Justine Ebzery

Strategic Goal:

To identify long-term goals through consultation and analysis. To develop a sustainable planned approach to goal achievement.



Key Priority: Master Planning

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
MP-1	Finalize the Update to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law	P1
MP-2	Continue Regular Long-term Monitoring and Planning of Landfill Sites (for Expansion and Closure)	P1
MP-3	Adopt a Vehicles and Equipment Replacement Plan	P1
MP-4	Form Strategic Partnerships with Algonquin Park, Business Community, Algonquins, Mills, Local Schools, etc. to Realize Mutual Goals	P1

Key Priority: Master Planning

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
MP-5	Track Service Requests – Leverage Data to Improve Service Delivery	P1
MP-6	Report Annually on Master Plans and Strategies (monitoring)	P1
MP-7	Develop a Strategy to Increase High-speed Internet and Improve Cell Coverage	P1

Key Priority: Human Resources

“Train people well enough so they can leave, treat them well enough so they don't want to.” Sir Richard Branson

Strategic Goal:

To take the best care of employees and ensure the best fit between employees and jobs while avoiding manpower shortages or surpluses.



Key Priority: Human Resources

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
HR-1	Implement a Professional Development Program for Council and Staff	P1
HR-2	Develop a Recruitment Strategy to Attract Young Fire Fighters	P1
HR-3	Implement a Succession Plan Strategy	P1
HR-4	Undertake an Organizational Review informed by a Service Delivery Review	P2

Key Priority: Finance

*“Municipal governments are responsible for delivering services to local residents and must manage their finances effectively.”
Province of Ontario*

Strategic Goal:

To develop strategies to achieve long-term financial sustainability as we deliver high-quality core services.



Key Priority: Finance

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
F-1	Integrate an Asset Management Financial Plan with the Annual Budget	P1
F-2	Implement a 10-year Long-Range Capital Forecast (Harmonized with other master plans)	P1
F-3	Adopt a Strategy to Increase Reserves (Pay-As-You-Go)	P1
F-4	Adopt a Budget Approval Timeline to Approve the Budget by February	P1
F-5	Adopt a Grant Monitoring and Acquisition Strategy Policy	P1

Key Priority: Finance

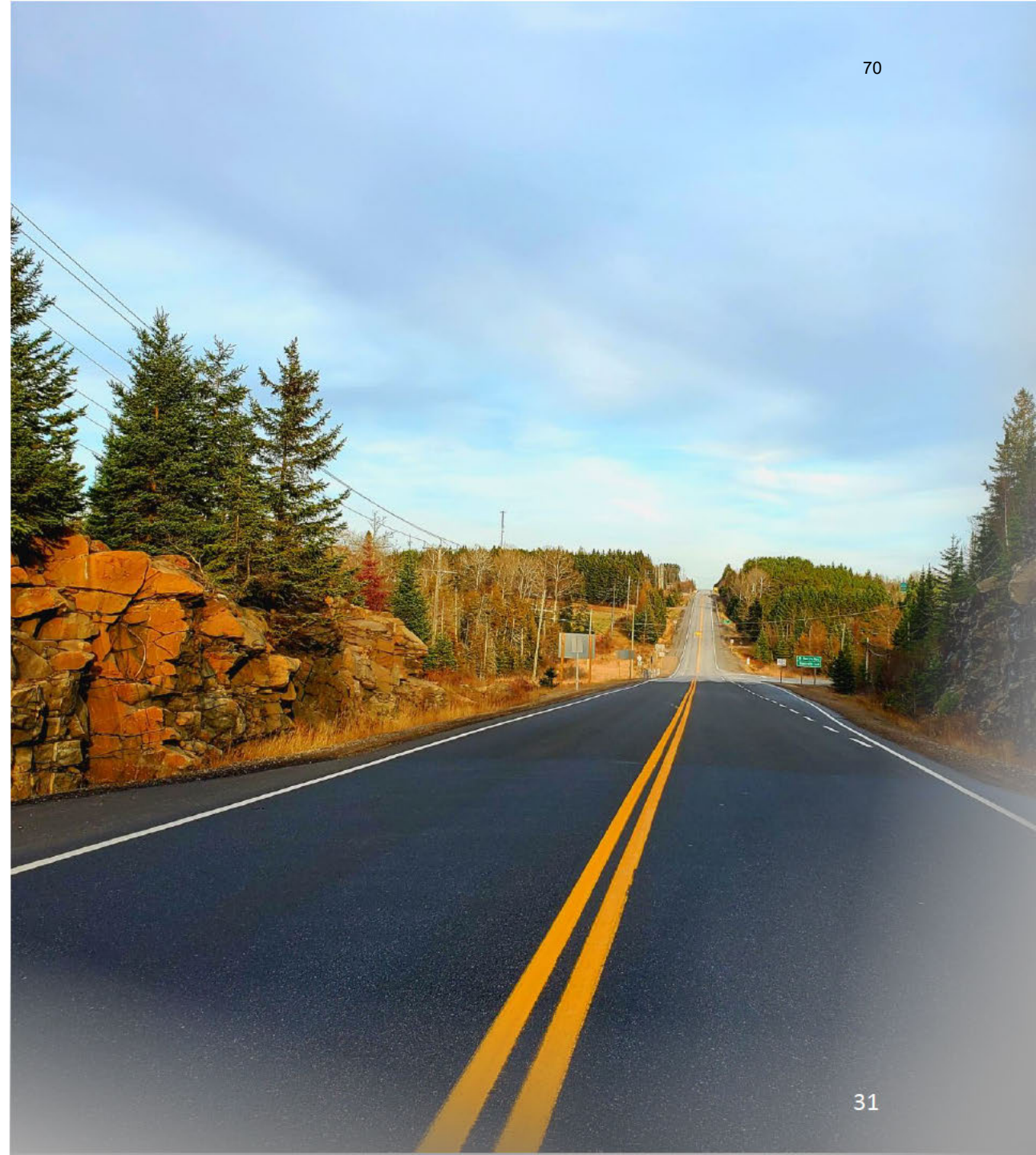
Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
F-6	Separate Operating and Capital Budgets	P2
F-7	Develop a Corporate Strategy for Full Implementation of New Financial Software	P2
F-8	Finalize the Asset Management Plan to Meet 2025 Statutory Requirements	P2
F-9	Prepare a Staff Report Outlining the Merits and Drawbacks of Implementing Multi-year Budgets	P3

Key Priority: Service Delivery

“There are ever-increasing expectations for governments to make informed choices about the services they provide to their citizens. This is evident for municipalities whether facing times of positive economic growth or periods of fiscal constraint.” Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Strategic Goal:

To implement strategies, policies and programs designed to enhance the delivery of core Township services.



Key Priority: Service Delivery

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
SD-1	Conduct a Service Delivery Review to Ensure Core Services are Delivered Efficiently as well as Inform an Org Review (so we are properly resourced)	P1
SD-2	Develop an Internal and External Communication Strategy (in conjunction with a “Roadmap to Services”)	P1
SD-3	Develop a “Roadmap to Services” to Clearly Communicate How Residents Can Access Services (in conjunction with Communication Strategy)	P1
SD-4	Conduct a Pilot Program to Test the Efficiency of a “Committee of the Whole” Governance Model	P2

Key Priority: Service Delivery

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
SD-5	Review the Establishing and Regulating By-law	P2
SD-6	Investigate and Pursue the Recycling Transition - <i>Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016</i>	P2
SD-7	Consider Options for Garbage Collection Service Levels	P2
SD-8	Consult with Recreation Committees to Coordinate Services and Consider Ways to Offer More Township Support	P3
SD-9	Investigate Opportunities to Increase Capacity of Boat Launches	P3

Key Priority: Housing and Employment

*“The housing affordability crisis is significantly impacting the ability of businesses to attract and retain talent, exacerbating challenges associated with ongoing labour shortages, an aging workforce, and the housing crisis itself”
Ontario Chamber of Commerce, July 2023*

Strategic Goal:

To carefully adopt new plans and policies that will help attract new housing and employment opportunities that are the best fit for all residents of the Township.



Key Priority: Housing and Employment

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
HE-1	Implement a Local Housing Strategy (including review of opportunities to increase available lots, more homes – built on the Nipissing Strategy)	P1
HE-2	Develop a Temporary Housing Strategy for Migrant Workers (coordinate with the Local Housing Strategy)	P1
HE-3	In conjunction with an SDR Identify and Implement Tools to Assist with Housing and Economic Development Strategies	P1
HE-4	Transition from the Long-Term Care Arrangement (\$110,000/yr.)	P1

Key Priority: Housing and Employment

Ref. #	Action Item	Priority Ranking
HE-5	Develop a “Seniors-at-Home” Plan	P2
HE-6	Work with DNSSAB to Identify Short-term Accommodations Options for EMS	P2
HE-7	Implement an Economic Development and Tourism Strategy Tailored for South Algonquin (safe, small-town feel)	P2
HE-8	Identify Business Opportunities with Lumber Industry (furniture, fibre, cogeneration)	P3

Strategic Plan At-A-Glance Summary Sheet



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Key Priorities and Actions

Asset Management	Master Planning	Human Resources	Finance	Service Delivery	Housing & Employment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair Paved Surfaces • Implement Drainage Improvements • Rolling Re-gravel Program • Replace 1996 Whitney Pumper • Replace 1998 Madawaska Mini-Pumper • Renovate Whitney Fire Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize CZBL • Monitoring & Planning of Landfill Sites • Vehicles & Equipment Replacement Plan • Form Strategic Partnerships • Track Service Requests • Report Annually on Master Plans & Strategies • Strategy for High-speed Internet & Cell Coverage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Development Program for Council & Staff • Recruitment Strategy for Young Fire Fighters • Succession Plan Strategy • Organizational Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrate Asset Management Financial Plan with Budget • 10-year Long-Range Capital Forecast • Strategy to Increase Reserves (PAYG) • Adopt the Budget by February • Grant Monitoring & Acquisition Strategy • Separate Operating & Capital Budgets • Corporate Strategy New Financial Software • Finalize AMP to Meet 2025 Requirements • Multi-year Budgets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Delivery Rev. with an Org Rev. • Communication Strategy • Develop a "Roadmap to Services" • Pilot Program CofW Gov. Model • Establishing and Regulating By-law • Investigate & Pursue Recycling Transition • Garbage Collection Service Levels Options • Coordinate with & Support Rec. Committees • Boat Launch Capacity Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Housing Strategy • Temporary Housing Strategy for Migrant Workers • Tools to Assist with Housing & Ec. Dev Strategies • Transition from LTC • Seniors-at-Home Plan • Short-term Accommodations Options for EMS • Ec. Dev. & Tourism Strategy • Business Opportunities with Lumber Industry

Sample: Key Priority and Action Item Report Card

Key Priority: Human Resources

Strategic Goal: To take the best care of employees and ensure the best fit between employees and jobs while avoiding manpower shortages or surpluses.

Action	Priority	Lead	Status
Implement a Professional Development Program for Council and Staff	P1	CAO	S
Develop a Recruitment Strategy to Attract Young Fire Fighters	P1	FC	C
Implement a Succession Plan Strategy	P1	CAO	D

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Fire Chief (FC), Deputy Treasurer (DT), Deputy Clerk (DC) etc.

Started (S), Not Started (NS), Completed (C), Delayed (D)

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Dec 27, 2023

To The Town Council:

As a resident of South River, I occasionally drive to Ottawa. As an EV driver, I am obliged to stop at least once on Hwy 17 to charge my Chevy Bolt. Each time (1 hour) I go to a restaurant, or buy something in a Canadian Tire. I am never able to drive Hwy 60 because there are no level 3 charge stations anywhere. There will be more EV's with each coming year. Are you not interested in attracting a captive (1hr. at least) audience to your businesses?

I suggest you download the "Plugshare" app which shows all the level 3 chargers in Ontario.

Respectfully

P.S. Some companies which supply level 3 chargers are:

- Electrify Canada
- Flo
- Ivy

January 10, 2024

MOTIONS OF COUNCIL

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Res. # 24-

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin accepts Kerri-Lynn Mcilmoyle as a member of the Murchison and Lyell Recreation Committee, pending a favourable O.P.P. background check.

-Carried-

-Defeated-

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Res # 24-

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Town of Wasaga Beach regarding Illegal Car Rally.

-Carried-

-Defeated-

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Res # 24-

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin supports the resolution from the Township of Perry regarding the request to amend the Legislation Act 2006, to include digital publication as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations.

-Carried-

-Defeated-

**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN
BY-LAW NO. 2024-779
BEING A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM
THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL**

WHEREAS Section 5(1) of the Municipal Act 2001, Chapter 25 and amendments thereto provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its council;

AND WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act 2001 Chapter 25 and amendments thereto provides that the powers of every council shall be exercised by By-Law;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary and expedient that the proceedings and actions of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin be confirmed and adopted by By-Law, for the regular meeting held on:

January 10, 2024

THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin enacts as follows:

1. THAT the action of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin in respect to each recommendation contained in the reports of the Committees and in respect to each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting, is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-Law.
2. The Mayor or in her absence, the Presiding Officer of the Council and the proper officials of the Municipality are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required.
3. The Mayor or in his/her absence the Presiding Officer and the Clerk or in his/her absence the other designated signing officer, are hereby directed to execute all documents required by Statute to be executed by them, as may be necessary in that behalf and to affix the Corporate Seal of the Municipality to all such documents.
4. THAT in the event any provision or provisions of this By-Law be deemed illegal or not enforceable, it or they shall be considered separate and severable from the By-Law, and its remaining provisions shall remain in force and be binding as though the said provision or provisions had never been included.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME on January 10, 2024.

Ethel LaValley – Mayor

Bryan Martin-CAO/Clerk Treasurer

READ A THIRD TIME, PASSED AND ENACTED on January 10, 2024.

Ethel LaValley – Mayor

Bryan Martin-CAO/Clerk Treasurer