

**January 10, 2024**

**COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

On Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 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 Shawn Pigeon  
Councillor Laurie Siydock

Staff:

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

Zoom:

Councillor Collins  
Councillor Joe Florent  
Councillor Joan Kuiack  
Councillor Bill Rodnick

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

Mayor Ethel LaValley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. LAND ACKNOWLEDEMENT**

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

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 24-299**

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-**

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

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

**8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 24-300**

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-**

**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.

In addition to the written report C. Alexander verbally reported:

- 2024 Ontario Parks Pass Program. Each branch has three passes.
- Joined a Library Speakers Consortiums provides two to three live author talks a month.

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

In addition to the written report S. Ronholm verbally reported:

- The original landfill site area at Lyell Landfill Site is nearing capacity. Staff did some brushing to the new expansion area in December. Excavating will need to be done in 2024 so it can be utilized next winter.

**Fire Report**

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

In addition to the written report I. Collins verbally reported:

- Sad news of the passing of Fire Fighter David Parks. Deepest thoughts and condolences

to his wife, Captain Theresa Parks and family.

### **Illegal Car Rally Report**

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

In addition to the written report there was discussion around request for resolutions of support. Many municipalities are adopting the original resolutions and circulating them for additional support which takes up a lot of staff time to track. It is recommended that a policy be created that staff only included original resolutions and circulate to appropriate organizations such as AMO etc. as they have more influence than a municipality.

### **M&L Parks & Recreation Committee**

December 12, 2023 Agenda, November 14, 2023 Minutes, and the Toy Drive Fundraiser Report were provided in the council package.

In addition to the written report Councillor Florent verbally reported:

- Internet from the Madawaska Library still not working in the Mervin Dupuis Bldg. B. Martin will have IT look into it.
- M & L Committee will be hosting their annual Trivia Night on March 25<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds go the St. Francis Healthcare Foundation. The Seniors New Outlook is hosting their annual Trivia Night on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Whitney Recreation Committee**

October 3, 2023 Minutes were provided in the council package.

In addition to the written report Councillor Kuiack verbally reported:

- No meetings in November or December.
- Tree Lighting and the Parade were both a success.

### **10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

- Staff will reach out to Whitney Recreation Committee to discuss meeting dates, either February 7<sup>th</sup> or March 6<sup>th</sup> following the Regular Council Meeting.

### **11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Summary from the Planner's regarding comments from the public and the ministries pertaining to the Official Plan Amendment will be distributed to council in February.
- Staff will review the information received from MNR regarding the levels of Galeairy Lake.

### **12. CORRESPONDENCE-Action Items**

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

### **13. CORRESPONDENCE-Information Items**

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

### **14. NEW BUSINESS: None**

### **15. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 24-301**

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-**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 24-302**

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

**-Defeated-**

**Moved by: Councillor Florent      Seconded by: Councillor Collins      Res. # 24-303**  
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-**

**16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None**

**17. BY-LAWS:**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Pigeon      Res. # 24-304**  
THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2024-779 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 Pigeon      Res. # 24-305**  
THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2024-779 Confirm the Proceedings of Council

**BE READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED**

**-Carried-**

**18. CLOSED SESSION: None**

**19. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved by: Councillor Siydock      Seconded by: Councillor Florent      Res. # 24-306**  
THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Regular Council Meeting of January 10, 2024 at 9:40 a.m.  
**-Carried-**

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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Mayor Ethel LaValley

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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bryan Martin