

July 10, 2024

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

On Wednesday, July 10, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held a Special Hybrid Council Meeting via Zoom at the Madawaska Complex, which was streamed to YouTube.

In Person:

Councillor Sandra Collins
Councillor Joe Florent
Councillor Shawn Pigeon
Councillor Laurie Siydock
Councillor Bill Rodnick

Zoom:

Mayor Ethel LaValley

Regrets:

Councillor Joan Kuiack

Staff: Bryan Martin, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Tracy Cannon, Deputy CAO/Deputy Clerk-Planner

1. OPEN MEETING/CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Due to Mayor LaValley requiring to be out of town due to medical reasons, Councillor Rodnick Chaired the meeting. Councillor Rodnick called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDEMENT

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Florent Seconded by: Councillor Collins Res. # 24-407

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

-Carried-

5. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR A GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:

Councillor Pigeon provided a disclosure of pecuniary interest form for the purpose of Short-Term Rental Accommodations Zoning By-Law Amendment

6. Public Meeting for Zoning By-Law Amendment No. ZBA.2024-02: Short-Term Rental Accommodations Zoning By-Law Amendment

A public meeting was held under Section 34 of the Planning Act for a Zoning By-Law Amendment to allow for Short-Term Rental Accommodations in Settlement Area Residential (R1), Settlement Area Shoreline Residential (R2), Shoreline Residential (SR), Limited Service Shoreline Residential (LSR) and Rural (RU) Zones.

T. Cannon emphasized that the meeting was to discuss the Zoning By-Law Amendment and not a regulation by-law and that a regulation by-law would be presented to Council at a later date for consideration.

Comments and questions were received following the circulation of the notice. However, all comments and questions pertained to regulating short-term rental accommodations.

There were questions/comments pertaining to regulating and enforcement and B. Martin advised that staff have been working on a regulation by-law and it could be presented to Council as early as August if Council chose to proceed that quickly.

Members of the public had an opportunity to provide comments on the Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Amendment. Comments pertaining to the Zoning By-Law Amendment included;

B. Baker: This amendment encourages accommodations and there is talk about fines. Let it ease over and go for the positive.

R. Shalla: Council represents everyone, ones that don't have short-term rentals and everyone else

and this amendment encourages business, if passed.

T. Cannon requested that members of the public that provided verbal comments to email those comments so that they can be accurately captured.

7. BY-LAWS:

Moved by: Councillor Collins Seconded by: Mayor LaValley Res.#24-408

THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2024-805 Zoning By-Law Amendment - Short-Term Rental Accommodations
- 2) By-Law 2024-806 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 Siydock Res. # 24-409

THAT:

- 1) By-Law 2024-805 Zoning By-Law Amendment - Short-Term Rental Accommodations
- 2) By-Law 2024-806 Confirm the Proceedings of Council

BE READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED

-Carried-

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by: Councillor Florent Seconded by: Councillor Siydock Res. # 24-410

THAT: Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Special Council Meeting of July 10, 2024 at 10:32 a.m.

-Carried-

The next regular council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Ethel LaValley

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Bryan Martin