**The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**February 3, 2020**

The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills Council met for the Regular Council Meeting at the Municipal Council Chambers with Reeve, Ken Noland and Councillors, Martin Ainslie, Penny Palonen, Arthur F. Hayden and Wayne L. Bailey in attendance. Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk-Treasurer recorded the minutes. Lynn Jackes, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer was also in attendance.

GUESTS PRESENT: Lorna Cambria, Brad Nead, Cody Nead, Mike Ogden, Tom Sasvari, Natasha Robson, Debbie Wright, Melanie Blain, Alice Ogden

The meeting was called to Order by Reeve Noland at 7:30 p.m.

**MOTION: 2020-17**

Moved by: Wayne L. Bailey

Seconded by: Martin Ainslie

That Council approve the agenda for the February 3, 2020 Regular Council Meeting as presented…..carried KN.

**MOTION: 2020-18**

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

THAT Council authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to pay to Lorna Cambria the amount of $2,185.30 for her damage claim as authorized by John Kuntze, P. Eng. From K. Smart Associates Limited…………….carried KN.

Shane Chatwell, Road Superintendent entered the meeting at this time.

A delegation led by Melonie Blain was in attendance to bring forward concerns regarding Lorne Lake and the Burpee Drain . Ms. Blain explained that the property owners surrounding Lorne Lake were not happy with the end results of the drainage work. She stated there had been discussion about the installation of a dam. This would help to control the water and the low lake level. The water volume rushing out since the drainage work was done, has increased. She believes the lake almost emptied itself out. She states that the water rushing through would increase the contaminates causing an issue with the health of the fish, as well as concern for children’s health while playing on the beach. They believe the stream was dug too deep and there is no gravel ridge by the rock ledge.

Reeve Noland explained the Engineer was hired and the report was filed and approved. The appropriate public meetings had been held and an appeal period had been available for everyone to bring their concerns forward. The drain should work if the gravel esker remains in place.

The Drainage Superintendent will be asked to attend on site. Ms. Blain will be notified when he is scheduled.

Ms. Blain advised she would like to be on the agenda for the next council meeting.

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Wayne L. Bailey advised that his arrival at the January 8, 2020 meeting had not been recorded in the minutes. This will be corrected.

**MOTION: 2020-19**

Moved by: Martin Ainslie

Seconded by: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT Council approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 8, 2020 as amended…………..carried KN.

**MOTION: 2020-20**

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

THAT Council approve the Minutes of the In Camera Council Meeting of January 8, 2020…………..carried KN.

Shane Chatwell, Road Superintendent provided a report to council. He has been advised of a speed concern at the Poplar and Union Road intersection. Signage is in place warning of the upcoming intersection. Martin Ainslie inquired as to a “dangerous intersection” sign or something that stands out more. Shane will investigate any possibilities.

Concern has been brought forward regarding the visibility of the Amish vehicles at night. Reeve Noland will speak with the Amish citizens and inquire as to the possibility of attaching a flashing light to warn other drivers. Art Hayden stated the safety of all citizens is the most important factor. Wayne Bailey will bring the idea of slow moving vehicle signs to the next CPAC meeting for discussion.

To date the sand used for the winter road maintenance is 51 tonne lower than last year. 432 tonne has been used this year.

The Roads Crew has been working on the parking lot area at the Cemetery.

Two property owners had been approached by Art Hayden and asked to remove debris/vehicles from the road allowance. Correspondence will be forwarded to the property owners to follow-up on these concerns.

The cameras at the Sand Shed are up and operating.

Wayne Bailey advised the hydro pole has been replaced at Bell Road and Hwy. 540.

Damage to the Indian Point Road has occurred from hydro pole replacement. Shane will follow-up on the concern.

Reeve Noland advised the Roads Department had received a compliment in providing Burpee Mills with the best roads.

Upon completion of his report, Shane Chatwell excused himself from the meeting.

Reeve Noland and Deputy Reeve Hayden explained that the Drainage Engineer, the Drainage Superintendent and the Contractor had met to discuss and clarify issues regarding costs associated with the Burpee Drain. The Drainage Superintendent has made several attempts but one farmer will not sign off on the project.

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**MOTION: 2020-21**

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT Council approves payment to C. Pearson & Son Excavation & Haulage Ltd. For Certificate 1.3 dated January 26, 2020 in the amount of $13,163.37 plus the return of the contract bid deposit in the amount of $18,190.00 upon the receipt of a Completion Certificate from K. Smart & Associates…………….carried KN.

The Honess Drain was discussed. Reeve Noland advised that John Kuntze, Drainage Engineer, is to provide council with a report to allow an outlet for a tile drainage request. This will allow farmers to apply for possible funding through Lambac. This report is expected by mid February, 2020.

**MOTION: 2020-22**

Moved by: Martin Ainslie

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

That we go in-camera to discuss a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees of the municipality as required under section 239(1) and (2) (b) of the Municipal Act 2001. Time Recorded at 8:17 p.m………………carried KN.

**MOTION: 2020-23**

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

That we return to the regular meeting at 8:21 p.m………………….carried KN.

**MOTION: 2020-24**

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

THAT the General Voucher for January,2020 be approved for payment in the amount of $45,098.30……………….carried KN.

**MOTION: 2020-25**

Moved by: Martin Ainslie

Seconded by: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT the Road Voucher for January, 2020 be approved for payment in the amount of $13,889.01…………………carried KN.

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**MOTION: 2020-26**

Moved by: Penny Palonen

Seconded by: Arthur F. Hayden

THAT the Fire Department Voucher for January, 2020 be approved for payment in the amount of $2,028.49………………carried KN.

Wayne Bailey advised the Airport Committee’s next meeting is scheduled for February 12. At that meeting, Wayne hopes to be provided with the Draft Budget.

Reeve Noland noted a point of interest regarding the Official Plan. Amendments can be made to the Official Plan by motion of the Manitoulin Planning Board.

**MOTION: 2020-27**

Moved by: Martin Ainslie

Seconded by: Arthur F. Hayden

THAT Council authorize payment of $100.00 for the year 2020 to the CPAC committee to be used for secretarial support services and supplies…………..carried KN.

Wayne Bailey discussed that some of the cannabis funding received for some municipalities was being donated to the Manitoulin Injury Prevention Coalition. It was the understanding of Council that these funds were to be used to cover increased costs for policing, ambulance, education, etc. A request will be brought forward to the next CPAC meeting for more information regarding the donation request for the Manitoulin Injury Prevention Coalition. Reeve Noland would like clarification that we are within our rights to use this funding for other purposes.

The Recreation Committee Financial Report for 2019 and the Golden Age Financial Report for 2019 were presented to Council by Wayne L. Bailey. Reeve Noland questioned the possibility of the donation information being listed individually on the Golden Age Report. It was noted that a member of council is on each of these committees. Wayne stated the Gym Financial report has yet to come in.

There will be a Meet and Greet at G.G.’s Diner at 1 p.m. for the Recreation Committee. This is an election and planning meeting and everyone is welcome to attend.

The Social Dance sessions are under way with 2 sessions completed. Approximately 30 people have been attending.

Penny Palonen updated Council regarding the decision of the Waste Management Committee to remain at a population based formula for the cost sharing agreement.

Marty Ainslie advised the library budget has not yet been approved. He advised that 7 library board meetings are required per year.

The Western Manitoulin Community Network Minutes were reviewed. To date 3 priorities have not been set by Council.

Art Hayden advised there is a huge waiting list for housing through the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board. One in seven people in Ontario live at or below the poverty line. There is more demand than supply for housing units.

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The change in WSIB rates have increased to the DSB due to PTSD. The claims and costs are higher. All DSB employees will be in a higher group rate. The true impact of this cost is not yet known.

Art Hayden discussed the 2% budget increase for the Manitoulin Centennial Manor over 2019. He advised there has been a request to the Manor Board for a presentation to be made regarding assisted living. The Manor Board had declined interest in the assisted living proposal adjacent to the manor. The municipalities appear to have no interest in committing money as this is not affordable. The presenters are looking for approximately 15% of the funding for this project.

**MOTION: 2020-28**

Moved by: Wayne L. Bailey

Seconded by: Arthur F. Hayden

WHEREAS it is the decision of council that Bylaw No. 08-2016 appointing Colleen Bruder as Fire Chief be rescinded in its entirety.

It is also the decision of council that Colleen Bruder be released as Training Officer and Volunteer Firefighter for the Burpee Mills Fire Department effective immediately.

RECORDED VOTE: **YES NO**

X Ken Noland \_\_\_\_\_

X Arthur F. Hayden \_\_\_\_\_

X Wayne L. Bailey \_\_\_\_\_

X Martin Ainslie \_\_\_\_\_

X Penny Palonen \_\_\_\_\_\_

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**MOTION: 2020-29**

Moved by: Martin Ainslie

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

WHEREAS the Town of Gore Bay has forwarded correspondence to MPP Mike Mantha for his assistance in recruiting a new physician for the Gore Bay Medical Centre; and

WHEREAS the Gore Bay Medical Centre services all of Western Manitoulin;

COUNCIL recognizes the importance of recruiting a new physician and will provide correspondence to MPP Mike Mantha, Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford and Minister of Health Christine Elliott…………………..carried KN.

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**MOTION: 2020-30**

Moved by: Penny Palonen

Seconded by: Arthur F. Hayden

WHEREAS the Town of Deep River is requesting a resolution of support for the following:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CBC News report entitled “Group of premiers band together to develop nuclear reactor technology”, be received, and

WHEREAS the Premiers of Ontario, Saskatchewan and New Brunswick have announced their intention to work together on the development of small modular reactors to help their provinces reduce carbon emissions and address the challenges of climate change;

WHEREAS Canada has demonstrated excellence and leadership in the nuclear energy sectors in the world stage for more than 70 years;

WHEREAS the Canadian nuclear industry is one of the safest and most well-regulated energy sectors in the world under the oversight of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission;

WHEREAS the citizens of Ontario have enjoyed the benefits of safe, clean, low-carbon energy produced by Ontario’s nuclear industry for over 50 years;

WHEREAS small modular reactors have the potential to provide municipalities, especially rural and northern municipalities, with an innovative technology that provides a safe, low-carbon alternative to meet energy demands; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Deep River write to the Premiers of Ontario, Saskatchewan and New Brunswick to express support for their decision to work together on the development of small modular reactor technology as a safe, low-carbon energy option;

THAT the Town of Deep River write to Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Natural Resources, and the remaining provincial premiers asking that they support investment in the research and development of small modular reactor technology as an innovative, safe, low-carbon energy option; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to all upper and lower-tier municipalities in Ontario, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, for their consideration.

COUNCIL supports this resolution…………………..carried KN.

**MOTION: 2020-31**

Moved by: Wayne L. Bailey

Seconded by: Martin Ainslie

THAT we adjourn to meet at our next regular council meeting on Monday, March 2, 2020 at 7:30 p.m………………………carried KN. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Ken Noland, Reeve

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Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk