

Other:

Wayne advised that Performance Reviews have been completed for staff as well as the Acting Fire Chief. All information is on file at the Municipal Office.

MOTION: 2020-154

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Martin Ainslie

WHEREAS the City of Belleville has requested a resolution of support for the following:

WHEREAS municipalities in Ontario are responsible for conducting fair and democratic elections of local representatives; and

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario, with Bill 218 supporting Ontario's Recovery and Municipal Elections Act, 2020 is proposing changes to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996; to extend nomination day from the end of July to the second Friday in September; and

WHEREAS municipal elections are governed by the Municipal Elections Act which was amended in 2016 to include shorter nomination periods; and

WHEREAS the operation, finance and regulatory compliance of elections is fully undertaken by municipalities themselves; and

WHEREAS local governments are best poised to understand the representational needs and challenges of the body politic they represent, and when looking at alternative voting methods to ensure voters have options in an effort to increase voter participation and are able to vote safely, it becomes more difficult to implement these alternatives with the proposed shorter period between Nomination day and the October 24, 2022 Election Day;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Belleville send a letter to the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of the Attorney General urging that the Government of Ontario respect Ontario municipalities' ability to apply sound representative principles in their execution of elections; and ;

THAT the Corporation of the City of Belleville Council recommends that the Government of Ontario supports the freedom of municipalities to run democratic elections within the existing framework the Act currently offers without amendment; and THAT this resolution be circulated to Ontario Municipalities, AMO and AMCTO.

The Township of Burpee and Mills supports this resolution.....carried KN.

Reeve Noland acknowledged the Thank You for Manitoulin Health Centre Contribution. A copy of the original motion will be resubmitted for their file.

A request for agenda items will be sent to all Manitoulin Municipal Association Members for the December 16, 2020 Meeting.

MOTION: 2020-155

Moved By: Penny Palonen

Seconded By: Arthur F. Hayden

Council approves the signing of this agreement by the Reeve and the Clerk-Treasurer as presented.....carried KN.

Manitoulin Planning Board:

Reeve Noland advised the 2020 Budget for the Manitoulin Planning Board has come in close to projected.

POA:

Martin Ainslie advised the courts plan to re-open on January 25th. The POA meeting scheduled has been postponed to a further date.

CPAC:

Wayne L. Bailey reviewed the November CPAC Report. The new format does not have costs included. The CPAC Committee may have held its last meeting as it is expected to be replaced by the Police Commission Board. Wayne does not have any further information.

Recreation:

The Recreation Committee has not had a meeting. A request for a donation to the Manitoulin Family Resources Christmas Hamper Campaign has been received and will be reviewed.

Library:

Martin Ainslie advised the Library Board held a meeting. The Auditor discussed financial information and suggested the municipal share to the library be increased to 1%.

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Waste Management:

Penny Palonen advised there is a Waste Management Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 8th in Gore Bay.

DSB :

Art Hayden advised the DSB passed a motion approving the 2021 Rent Freeze with direction to staff to action the recommendations of the Program Planning Committee.

The 2021 budget has been presented. The Municipal Share increase is .5%. DSB now works with a \$40 million dollar budget.

DSB is participating in the National Housing Strategy that is intended to fund better living accommodations.

The website for DSB is not compliant and will be very expensive. This will be addressed in the future.

The Chair of DSB has resigned and a vote will take place in January for the election of the new chair.

Manor:

Art advised the draft budget has been reviewed. The Manor is in a surplus position. Art was unable to attend the last Manor meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

Cemetery:

Wayne Bailey advised that he had spoken with the Cemetery Board Members regarding correspondence that he prepared in response to the Cemetery Care and Maintenance Funds Discussion Paper provided by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario. "The..."

The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 7, 2020

The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills Council met for the Regular Council Meeting at the Burpee and Mills Complex. Reeve Ken Noland and Councillors, Martin Ainslie, Penny Palonen, Arthur F. Hayden and Wayne L. Bailey were in attendance. Lynn Jackes, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer and Jeff Middleton, Acting Fire Chief were also in attendance. Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk-Treasurer recorded the minutes.

Regrets: Shane Chatwell, Road Superintendent

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

No conflict of interest has been declared.

MOTION: 2020-147

Moved By: Martin Ainslie

Seconded By: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT Council approve the Agenda for the December 7, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.....carried KN.

MOTION: 2020-148

Moved By: Penny Palonen

Seconded By: Arthur F. Hayden

THAT Council approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2020.....carried KN.

MOTION: 2020-149

Moved By: Wayne L. Bailey

Seconded By: Arthur F. Hayden

THAT Council approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes of November 5, 2020.....carried KN.

Fire Chief's Report

Jeff Middleton, Acting Fire Chief, advised the Ministry of Natural Resources 2020 Report had been submitted with "No Forest Fires" in 2020. He provided fire reports for three fires in 2020 that will be filed in the Municipal Office.

Jeff advised there is a Fire Department practice scheduled for Tuesday, December 8th. Jeff has advised that due to the increase in COVID on Manitoulin, this meeting will be rescheduled.

Wayne Bailey advised the honorarium summary has been submitted for the Firefighter pays. These cheques will be issued shortly. Jeff excused himself from the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Road Superintendent's Report

In the absence of the Road Superintendent, Reeve Ken Noland advised the snowplows/sanders are ready to go. The Harper corner on Union Road is completed for now but will possibly need 2 more loads of gravel. The Amish have ordered 6 more lights for the back of the buggies.

MOTION: 2020-150

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT the Road Voucher in the amount of \$45,580.53 be approved for payment.....carried KN.

MOTION: 2020-151

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded by: Penny Palonen

THAT the General Voucher in the amount of \$46,263.95 be approved for payment.....carried KN.

MOTION: 2020-152

Moved by: Penny Palonen

Seconded By: Martin Ainslie

THAT the Fire Voucher in the amount of \$4,538.42 be approved for payment.....carried KN.

Office Renovations Update – Health & Safety Issue

Nelson Woodworking has provided 5 plan options for the renovations to the office in the hope of addressing the health and safety issues. A line of sight is required to the entrance of the building as well as an exit door to the outside from the main office. Council has reviewed these options. The meeting previously set with Nelson Woodworking will be reconfirmed for Monday, December 14th at 1 p.m. for further discussion.

The Provincial Government is offering a funding opportunity through the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility (ICG) Inclusive Community Grants. The application will be submitted for enhancements to the accessibility for the Municipal Complex Building.

The COVID 19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream 2020 is offering a funding opportunity for retrofits, repairs and upgrades for municipal buildings. The application will be submitted.

Campbell Bay Boat Launch

Reeve Noland advised Council of his conversation with Annette Winters from Oceans and Fisheries regarding the Campbell Bay Boat Launch. He restated that the Municipality was interested in the property. Oceans and Fisheries advised they are requesting an appraisal. If the value of the property is over \$300,000 then we cannot obtain for a nominal fee. Ken requested a Grant-In-Lieu of repairs instead of the DFO fixing the launch. Additional funds may become available. Ms. Winters advised the process could take 2 to 3 years to complete the transfer.

Trailer Licensing Draft Information

A draft bylaw has been presented to Council from another municipality. Council is to review the information. The possibility of an administrative fee or licensing fee requires further discussion. Reeve Noland advised that all municipalities may wish to work together to provide consistency in the implementation of Trailer Bylaws. Ken will follow up on this information.

Reports:

Airport:

Wayne L. Bailey advised he had reviewed a 60 page contract for the renovations/retrofits for the Airport. A separate contract has been provided that establishes that the Town of Gore Bay will manage the project. Parties to the contract are the Town of Gore Bay, the Township of Burpee and Mills and the Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island.