



Minutes

Regular Council Meeting
Township of the North Shore
Wednesday December 15, 2021
7:00 p.m.
Electronic Meeting
Meeting ID: 868 6494 9304
Passcode: 754375

The meeting is being held by Zoom due to Covid-19 as health and safety issues dictate that the public should not gather together in Council Chambers. Therefore public attendance is not permitted for this meeting. This notice is provided in accordance with the Municipal Procedural By-Law, as amended.

ATTENDANCE

Council: Tony Moor - Mayor - electronic
Melody Rose - Deputy Mayor - electronic
Brenda Green- Councillor At Large- electronic
Len Menard - Councillor Ward 2 - electronic
Gary Gamble - Councillor Ward 1 - electronic

Staff: Angel Pilon, Clerk - electronic
France Gagnon, Treasurer/Bookkeeper- electronic

Guest: Jeff Edwards, CEMC - electronic

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION #21-329

Moved by: B. Green

Seconded by: L. Menard

BE IT RESOLVED That Council for the Corporation of The Township of The North Shore accepts the agenda as presented.

"CARRIED"

DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATION Nil

Jeff Edwards made a presentation to Council explaining what he has done in the last 3 years and what he will do for the next 3 years, as the Community Emergency Management Coordinator. The CEMC has advanced the Township's emergency management program and will continue to do so. The CEMC has developed hazard specific plans, a business continuity plan, pandemic plan and a recovery plan. Training and exercises have been done will continue. Jeff also mentioned to Council that if they would like some training as to what their duties are during an emergency, he would be pleased to do so in the New Year. Mayor Moor requested that we set up a date for training for Council and Staff.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION #21-330

Moved by: G. Gamble

Seconded by: M. Rose

BE IT RESOLVED That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore adopts the minutes of the Special Council meeting of November 29, 2021 and Regular Council meeting of December 1, 2021.

"CARRIED"

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

Councillor Gamble attended a library board meeting and updated Council. The Blind River Public Library will be closed between Christmas and New Year's. Attendance at the Library may be reviewed in light of COVID-19 cases. Councillor Gamble also requested that the Librarian's Report be posted on our social media sites.

Mayor Moor update Council on the H&M COFI Broadband Internet Project. They are finalizing contract requirements with funding agencies. It is expected to close by March 2022. Construction is slated to start in the Spring of 2022. Project will provide Fibre to the Home high-speed internet to all underserved homes, businesses, and institutions in the region. Internet Services will be provided through multiple Internet Service Providers operating on the H&M COFI network, offering competitive rates for all customers. Communities and interested individuals can invest in the project, but investing is not a requirement to receiving access to the broadband network.

CLERK'S REPORT Nil

REPORTS AND MOTIONS OF MUNICIPAL STAFF, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNICATION

a) Integrity Commissioner Services

RESOLUTION #21-331

Moved by: M. Rose

Seconded by: G. Gamble

BE IT RESOLVED That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore approve hiring Tony Fleming of CSWAN for Integrity Commissioner services and commence the process for the signing of a contract and an appointing by-law.

"CARRIED"

b) Hydro One Energizing Life Community Fund.

RESOLUTION #21-332

Moved by: L. Menard

Seconded by: B. Green

BE IT RESOLVED That Council of the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore authorize staff to submit an application under the Hydro One Energizing Life Community Fund.

"CARRIED"

c) Northern Ontario Resource Development Support Fund (NORDS).

RESOLUTION #21-333

Moved by: G. Gamble

Seconded by: B. Green

BE IT RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore receive the staff report pertaining to the new NORDS Fund and that further allocation of this grant will be determined during the 2022 Budget deliberations.

"CARRIED"

d) Request for Proposal - Insurance Renewal.

RESOLUTION #21-334

Moved by: G. Gamble

Seconded by: M. Rose

BE IT RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore authorize staff to issue a "Request for Proposal" for the Township's 2022-2023 insurance policy renewal.

"CARRIED"

e) Employee Policy.

RESOLUTION #21-335

Moved by: L. Menard

Seconded by: B. Green

BE IT RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore receive the staff report as presented for consideration, and that Council approve the Employee Policy as amended.

"DEFERRED"

f) 2020-2021 Inspection Report for the Serpent River Water System.

RESOLUTION #21-336

Moved by: B. Green

Seconded by: L. Menard

BE IT RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore hereby accept the 2020-2021 Inspection Report for the Serpent River Water System for information purposes.

"CARRIED"

g) Shoreline - Monthly Newsletter.

RESOLUTION #21-337

Moved by: L. Menard

Seconded by: M. Rose

BE IT RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore approve discontinuing the monthly Shoreline and approve the new newsletter that will go out twice a year with the tax bills.

"CARRIED"

h) Private Jess Randall Larochelle.

RESOLUTION #21-338

Moved by: M. Rose

Seconded by: G. Gamble

BE IT RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore receive the staff report as presented and that Council endorse the request by veteran Mike Harrison on behalf of Valour in the Presence of the Enemy.

"CARRIED"

Consent Agenda: Nil

OLD BUSINESS Nil

INTRODUCTION, READING AND CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

- a) By-Law 21-64 being a by-law to adopt an Employee Policy for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore.

RESOLUTION #21-339

Moved by: L. Menard

Seconded by: B. Green

BE IT RESOLVED That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore hereby approve By-Law 21-6, being a By-Law to adopt an Employee Policy for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore be read a first, second and third time, enacted and passed.

"DEFERRED"

NOTICES OF MOTION Nil

MOTION TO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION #21-340

Moved By: L. Menard

Seconded By: M. Rose

RESOLVED: That Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore move to Closed Session at 7:50 p.m., pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act*, to consider:

- i. (b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- ii. (d) Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- iii. (e) Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; and
- iv. (f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Closed session meeting attendance by: Township of The North Shore Council, Clerk, and the Treasurer/Bookkeeper.

For the purpose of legal.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION #21-341

Moved By: L. Menard

Seconded By: G. Gamble

RESOLVED: That the Council for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore arise from Closed Session at 8:27 p.m., and report as follows: That Council authorize the Mayor to sign the presented legal document, authorize staff to proceed with the payment of invoice #155281 and #155437 and approve submission of the presented legal document by legal counsel, and contact legal counsel with questions from Council.

"CARRIED"

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

RESOLUTION # 21-342

Moved By: G. Gamble

Seconded By: M. Rose

RESOLVED: That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore hereby approve By-Law No. 21-65, Being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at its Regular meeting held December 15, 2021 be read a first, second and third time, enacted and passed.

"CARRIED"

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION # 21-343

Moved By: L. Menard

Seconded By: M. Rose

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Township of the North Shore Regular Council meeting of December 15, 2021 do now adjourn at 8:29 p.m., to meet again on the 12th day of January, 2022 at 7 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.

"CARRIED"

Tony Moor, Mayor

Angel Pilon, Clerk