



Agenda

Regular Meeting of Council
Corporation of the Township of The North Shore
Wednesday, July 17th, 2024
6:00 PM

Township of the North Shore is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 879 3329 8328

Passcode: 077232

This meeting is being held in a Hybrid setting. Attendees may choose to attend via ZOOM or in person in the Municipal Office Council Chambers located at 1385 Highway 17, Algoma Mills.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST
4. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATION
5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - a) Minutes of the Special Budget meeting of May 13th, 2024
 - b) Minutes of the Special meeting of June 13th, 2024
 - c) Minutes of the Regular meeting of June 19th, 2024
 - d) Minutes for the Special meeting of June 26th, 2024
6. COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT
 - a) T. Simon - Blind River Public Library
 - b) T. Simon - Recreation Committee - Canada Day
7. REPORTS AND MOTIONS OF MUNICIPAL STAFF, COMMITTEES, AND COMMUNICATIONS
 - a) Dockage at Cookhouse boat launch
 - b) ELNOS Candidate Nomination 2024-2025
 - c) Expense Claim(s) - Month of June 2024
 - d) Notice of Integrity Commissioner Reports - August 14th, 2024, Regular Council meeting
 - e) 2024 Capital Budget Presentation

- f) 2nd Quarter Reports - Senior Staff
- g) Variance Report - 2nd Quarter
- h) Tax and Water/Wastewater Receivables - 2nd Quarter
- i) Procedure By-Law Amendment report - Question Period
- j) Workplace Anti-Violence, Harassment and Sexual Harassment Policy

Consent Agenda

- a) Letter regarding the Aggregates Resource Act
- b) AMO's Secretary-Treasurer's Report AMO Nominations
- c) Letter regarding the Planning Act and Development Charges Act Regulations related to the Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act 2024 (Bill 185)
- d) Letter regarding Engagement on Proposed Modernization of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act
- e) Letter from NRF regarding possible changes to the Forest Fires Prevention Act

8. OLD BUSINESS (INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING WRITTEN LETTERS/REPORTS) - Nil

9. INTRODUCTION, READING AND CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

- a) By-Law 24-32 being a by-law to adopt the Acceptable Use Policy for the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore
- b) By-Law 24-33 being a by-law to authorize the Clerk and the Mayor to sign a renewed Canada Community-Building Fund, 2024-2034 Funding Agreement between the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore

10. NOTICES OF MOTION Nil

11. CLOSED SESSION

To move to Closed Session pursuant to Section 239 (3.1) of the Municipal Act, to consider:

- ii. (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
- iii. (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board
- iv. (d) labour relations or employee negotiations
- v. (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board
- vi. (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
- viii. (h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them
- xi. (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board

Closed session meeting attendance by: Township of The North Shore Municipal Council, Clerk, Public Works Manager/Fire Chief

For the purpose of legal matters and human resource matters

12. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

13. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

By-law 24-35 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held July 17th, 2024, be read a first, second and third time enacted and passed.

14. ADJOURNMENT

7a)



June 26th, 2024

Meeting of July 17th, 2024

Council Report

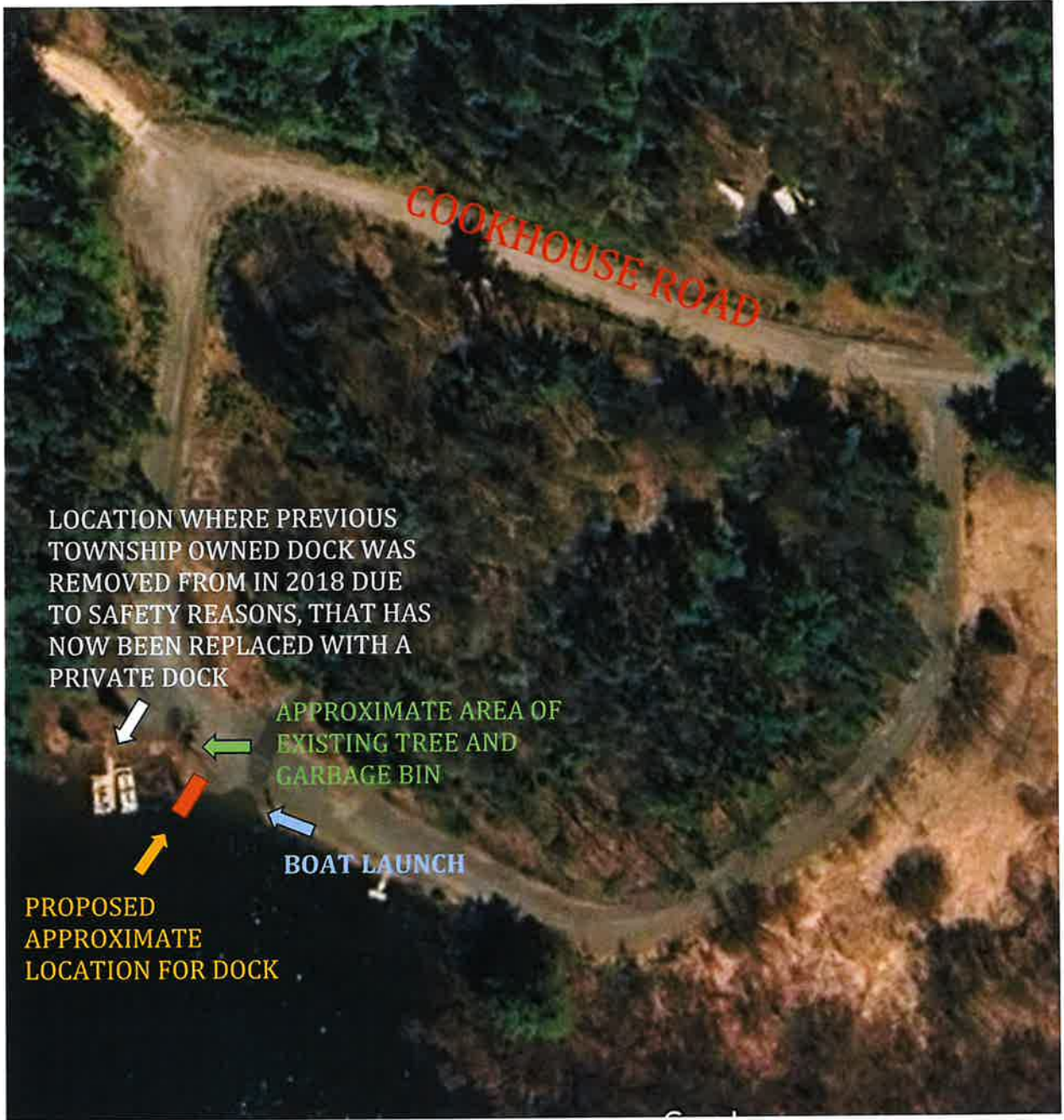
SUBJECT: DOCKAGE AT COOKHOUSE BOAT LAUNCH

RECOMMENDATION: That Council receive the report regarding the current docking situation and the addition of a dock at the Cookhouse boat launch in Algoma Mills, and that Council approve and direct staff to purchase a Township owned dock for the Cookhouse boat launch at a price of \$7611.68 including HST

In 2018, our Public Works Manager removed the wooden docks that were located on the lower lefthand side of the Cookhouse boat launch for safety reasons (please see attached). There has not been a new dock added back to this boat launch, and the area where the previous dock was located has now had a private dock added.

Please see attached where a proposed Township owned dock could be added (approximately) to the Cookhouse boat launch area. Having the dock added to this side of the boat launch will not impede parking, as there is a tree and garbage bin that already restricts parking in this area of the boat launch.

Richardson Docks, who the Township have purchased previous and current docks from, have provided the Township with a quote for a 6 feet x 16 feet dock section and a 16 feet x 16 feet ramp section for the price of \$7611.68 including HST.



Prepared/Submitted by: Matt Simon, Public Works Manager
Rachel Jean Schneider, Municipal Clerk/Deputy Treasurer



325 Leacock St.
Blind River ON
P0R 1B0

July 12, 2024

Township of the North Shore
Attn: Matt Simon
mattsimon@townshipofthenorthshore.ca
Lake Lauzon

Re: Quote 1 Floating Dock Section and 1 Ramp

Please find attached the quote for your floating dock system. This quote includes:

- **Installation and delivery**
- **Dock cleats as required**
- **Anchors**
- **Edge & Corner Bumpers**

All docking materials including decking is Sienna Brown pressure treated 2" x 6" unless specified.

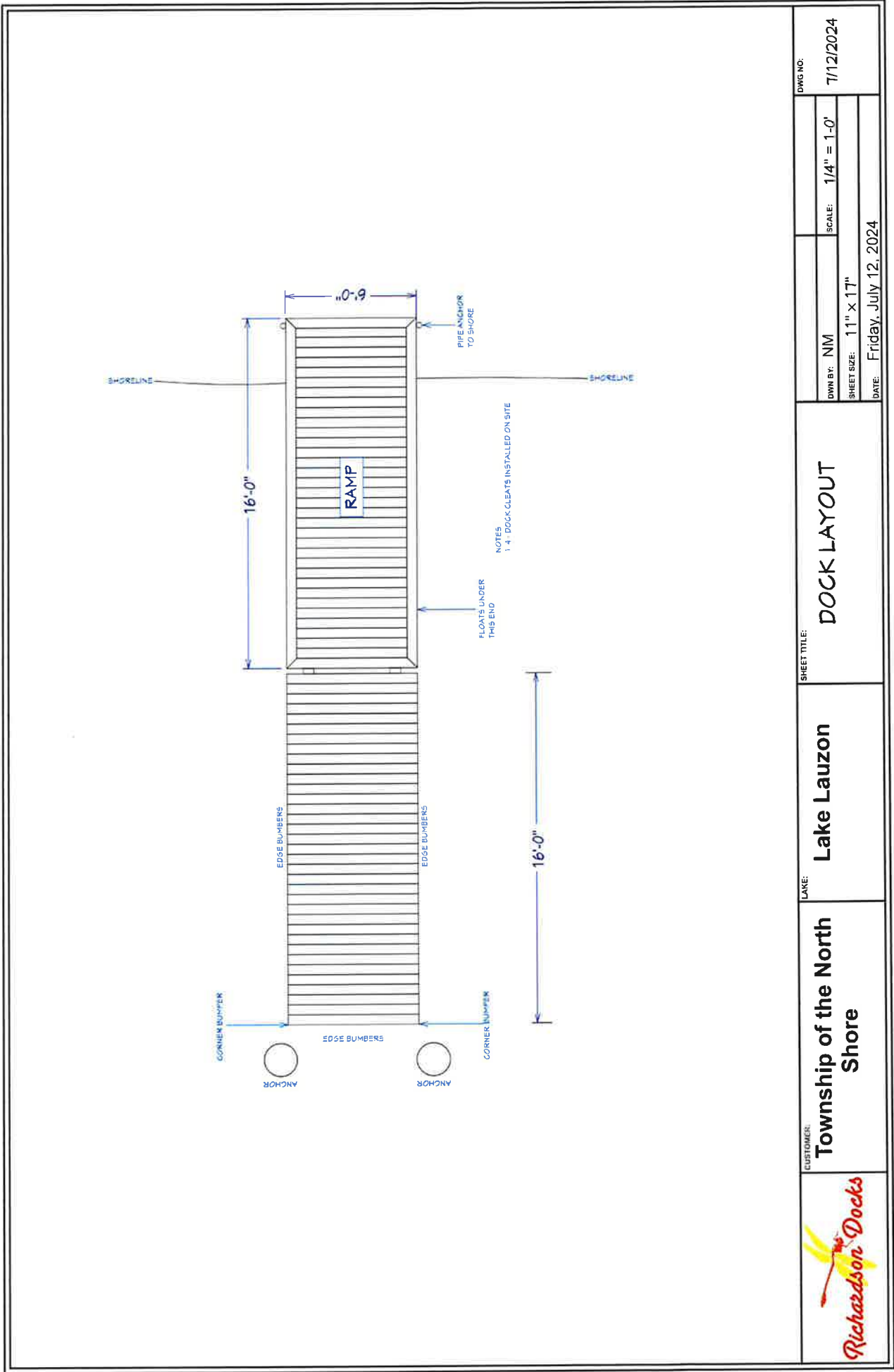
The Ramp section will have Two Floats under the water end and 2 pipes at the shore.


The 6ft wide dock section will have two full-length pontoon floats evenly spaced under the deck.

Please note that our docks should be left in the water all year however they must be detached from the shore to prevent ice damage.

Pricing:

One	-	6ft x 16ft Ramp Section	\$ 2,800.00
One	-	6ft x 16ft Dock Section	\$ 3,936.00
Sub Total			\$ 6,736.00
HST			\$ 875.68
Total			\$ 7,611.68



	CUSTOMER: Township of the North Shore	LAKE: Lake Lauzon	SHEET TITLE: DOCK LAYOUT	DWG NO.: 7/12/2024
	DWN BY: NM	SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"	SHEET SIZE: 11" X 17"	DATE: Friday, July 12, 2024

Tuesday, July 16th 2024

Mayor Tony Moor and Council
Township of the North Shore
P.O. Box 108, 1385 Hwy 17
Algoma Mills, ON P0R 1A0

I am writing this letter to voice some concerns, that have come up in my conversations with other residents of Lake Lauzon this spring and early summer, to the Mayor and Council for the Township of the North Shore around the issue of the gazebo that has been proposed for the Cookhouse Road Public Boat Launch area. I may be missing some details around the project, as I only began asking people about it when I saw the area marked off this spring, and, admittedly, do not have all the details around this project. I apologize for my potential misstatement of facts, in advance, and would love to learn more if my perceptions are off base.

Firstly, the issue of safety comes to mind as the gazebo, by the nature of the proposed space itself, is very close to the roadway and is proposed for an area where people are backing up trailers loaded with boats. As the area is often crowded with parked vehicles, especially on holiday weekends, it could pose a safety issue for people using the proposed gazebo and to vehicles, boats, and most importantly pedestrians, when the boat launch area is busy.

Secondly, some concerns have been raised about the cost of the gazebo itself and potential of return on investment for the site. I do agree that there could be some definite benefits that could arise from beautifying that space but I am not convinced that this gazebo project should be a priority given that critically important, and expensive, projects like road restorations are looming in the Township's future.

Some people I have spoken with have expressed concerns about the potential problems that could arise from losing the parking area that had been added, not that long ago, to the proposed location of the gazebo. It was my understanding that those spaces were added by the Township to address the lack of parking that was already an issue, at times, at the Cookhouse Road Public Boat Launch. As someone who routinely travels 600km+ to come to my property on Sugar Island the prospect of driving many hours and not having a place to park upon arrival is concerning. In these recent conversations, as well, the issue of the potential for loitering and, perhaps even, crime at, and around, the boat launch area has come up as well. The security of feeling like my vehicle and its contents are safe when I'm parked on Cookhouse Road is something that I have grown accustomed to and I would hate to lose that sense of security.

It would be very reassuring to know that a thorough and precise look at the potential pros and cons of the proposed gazebo have occurred and that the taxpayers of the Township have had the opportunity to provide input into the project before it goes forward. I would propose that a pause be placed on the project (as summer is already nearly half over, sadly) and a fresh look could happen this autumn with clear communication before the project goes forward. I'm certainly not against any changes to the Cookhouse Road site but I would love to have the opportunity to have a voice in the improvements.

Lastly, in my conversations with other residents of Sugar Island and some neighbours in the Pronto Road area, it seems like the proposed improvements to the Cookhouse Road area is ignoring a practical and relatively easy way to generate revenue that could be used to improve and maintain the Cookhouse Road site. People with camps on the islands at the east end of the lake need a place to park their boats while they are not at their camps. For years residents have had to park their boats on makeshift private docks that have been added, over the years, near the public launch. I would love to see a public dock added to Cookhouse Road with slips that residents of Sugar Island, and other smaller islands, could rent for the season. This would be a very easy way to generate enough income to ensure that upkeep and maintenance on the Cookhouse Road area could be sustainable. At present I often feel that I pay property taxes for my property on Sugar Island but I don't receive a lot of services in exchange for those tax dollars. I am completely okay with this fact as I love being able to be on the lake. I would happily rent a slip at the Cookhouse Road site to help maintain the boat launch area and to make my time at camp even less stressful.

As someone who spends approximately six months of the year accessing Lake Lauzon and enjoying my place on Sugar Island (I have been coming to that property for over 45 years), I would love to feel as though the Township valued my opinion and wanted me to be part of the community. I have never questioned this before. I have always felt valued and included by my neighbours on Lake Lauzon. This year, however, has felt very different. It feels as though things are happening that are fracturing the sense of community I have come to enjoy. It's very unfortunate as I have said, for as long as I can remember, that Lake Lauzon is my favourite place on earth. I would love it if we could, perhaps, put the brakes on this project for a few months to allow all the stakeholders to come together and brainstorm a plan to make the Cookhouse Road boat launch better for everyone who uses it.

I understand that this is very short notice, but I would very much appreciate if this letter could be inserted with the staff report on the boat launch for the Wednesday July 17th meeting regarding the Cookhouse Road Boat Launch.

Thank you for your consideration,

Levis (Lee) Becker and Gina Corsini

Sugar Island

519-575-3417

Additional Lake Lauzon area residents who have expressed support of this proposal:

Jason and Vanessa Born – Sugar Island

Wayne Marshall – Sugar Island

John Pomerleau – Sugar Island

Sharon Opfermann – Sugar Island

John and Kim Tunney – 1049B Cookhouse Rd.

Tom and Rhonda Kirby – Pronto Rd.

BY-LAW 24-35

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF THE NORTH SHORE

**Being a bylaw to confirm the proceedings of Council
at its Regular Council Meeting of July 17th, 2024.**

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of The North Shore hereby enacts as follows:

WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S. O. 2001, c.25*, as amended requires municipal Council to exercise a municipal power including a municipality’s capacity, rights, powers and privileges under Section 9, by by-law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of the North Shore deems it desirable to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Regular Council Meeting of July 17th, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of the North Shore hereby enacts as follows:

1. That each motion, resolution, and other action passed and taken by the Council at its Regular Council meeting of July 17th, 2024, is hereby adopted, and ratified and confirmed.
2. The Head of Council and the proper officers of the Corporation of the Township of the North Shore are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approval where required and except where otherwise provided, the Mayor and the Clerk, or if absent, the designate, are hereby directed to affix the Corporate Seal of the Municipality to all such documents.

**READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME ENACTED AND FINALLY PASSED
THIS 17th DAY OF JULY 2024.**

Tony Moor, Mayor

Rachel Jean Schneider, Clerk/Deputy Treasurer