

Minutes of a **Special Meeting** of Council held on Wednesday January 29, 2020 at 7:30 pm in the Meeting Room at the Community Centre, Virginiatown, Ontario.

PRESENT:

Mayor Matt Reimer
Councillor Wendy K. Weller
Councillor Louanne Caza
Councillor Bonita Culhane
Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft

ALSO PRESENT:

Clerk-Treasurer Jason Georgeoff

Approximately 12 members of the public

1. Opening of Meeting by the Head of Council / Ouverture de la réunion par le maire

2. Additions/Deletions/ Adoption of the Agenda / Ajout / Suppressions / Adoption de l'ordre du jour.

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

**14/2020
Agenda**

THAT the Agenda for the Special Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 be adopted.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest / Déclaration de conflit d'intérêt

None

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings / Procès-verbal des réunions précédente

None

5. Matters arising from the minutes / Affaires découlant du process-verbal

None

6. Deputations / Délégations

None

7. a) Submitted Questions / Questions soumises
b) Audience Questions / Questions de l'auditoire

- A resident said thank you for moving snow at intersection of 66 and 27th street - Jason will pass on thank you to Public Works.

- A resident expressed safety concerns regarding the haircut program since the facility is too small in case of fire - Matt to request max occupancy determination from fire - Annie replied that there is not much equipment required for haircut program and therefore space is not an issue

- A resident suggested that health officials be contacted to determine if we can do haircuts at the library.

- A resident asked if the hairdresser was licensed in Ontario or Quebec - Library CEO replied that it is a Quebec license

8. **Correspondence, Information / Correspondance, Information**
None

9. **Council Reports / Rapports du conseil**
None

10. **New Business / Nouvelles affaires**

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

15/2020
Library Hair Cut

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Corporation of the Improvement District of McGarry passed By-law 120 in 1950 to establish a public library, which does not appear to have ever been repealed

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of McGarry passed Resolution 59/15 to appoint library board members

AND WHEREAS, under the *Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. 1990*, public libraries in Ontario must be operated under the management and control of a public library board, which has the authority to formulate policies concerning the operations and services of the public library, however, on the contrary, the Council of the Township of McGarry has maintained a closer involvement with the library operations

AND WHEREAS, the aforesaid relationship leads to the implication that the municipality is the employer, which has the potential to leave the municipality in a position that may be susceptible to liability especially upon consideration that the board may hypothetically operate autonomously, in accordance with the *Act*, and without municipal oversight

AND WHEREAS, the apparent need to restructure and re-establish seems to have resulted in the library board being inactive since spring 2019 despite no official decision being made in that regard by the either the Council of the Township of McGarry or the library board

AND WHEREAS, the CEO for the McGarry Public Library may not have been provided with clear direction with respect to policies and procedures in the absence of an active library board

AND WHEREAS, the CEO for the McGarry Public Library has recently started advertising for a haircut program

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry **disapproves of the library’s new haircut program**, and reserves the right to approve future programs and service levels at least until an autonomous library board is established.

Carried

Recorded Vote	Requested by Mayor Matt Reimer	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Mayor Matt Reimer	-	
Councillor Wendy K. Weller	-	
Councillor Louanne Caza	-	
Councillor Bonita Culhane	-	
Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft		-

Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Annie Toupin-Keft

16/2020
Library Board

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AND WHEREAS under the *Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. 1990*, municipalities can appoint members of the library board for the same term as Council

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry deems it desirable to appoint library board members, but only once a new library board establishing by-law has been passed.

AND FURTHER that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry directs staff to draft a new library board establishing by-law for consideration by March 2020.

Defeated

Recorded Vote	Requested by Matt Reimer	
	Yes	No
Mayor Matt Reimer		-
Councillor Wendy K. Weller		-
Councillor Louanne Caza		-
Councillor Bonita Culhane		-
Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft		-

11. Passing of Accounts / Adoption des comptes
None

12. Passing of By-Laws
None

13. Closed Meeting
None

14. Confirmation of By-Law / Confirmation des règlements municipaux

Moved by Louanne Caza
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

17/2020
Confirmation

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 29th day of January, 2020 and numbered By-Law 2020-05.

Carried

6. Adjournment / Clôture de l'assemblée

Moved by Wendy K. Weller
Seconded by Louanne Caza

18/2020
Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Carried

MAYOR

CLERK TREASURER