

Minutes of a **Regular Council Meeting** held on Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the Community Centre, Virginiatown, Ontario.

**PRESENT:**

**MAYOR:** Clermont Lapointe

**COUNCILLORS:** Councillor Elaine Fic  
Councillor Wendy K. Weller  
Councillor Bonita Culhane

**ABSENT WITH REGRET:** Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**CLERK-TREASURER:** Sylvie Côté

**AUDIENCE:** 12 Members of the Public

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Clermont Lapointe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

**2. Additions/Deletions/Adoption of the Agenda:**

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Elaine Fic

**202/18**  
**Adoption of Agenda**

THAT the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup> 2018 be adopted with additions.

Carried

10.)

- g) Minutes of the McGarry Public Library meeting held on Monday June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- h) Minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- i) Minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- j) Minutes of the Special meeting of Council held on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

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- b) Sue Culhane, presentation of a cheque from the Pioneer Auxiliary Ladies to the McGarry Volunteer Fire Department.

**3. Disclosure of Conflict of interest:**

None

**4. Adoption of Minutes:**

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Elaine Fic#

**203/18**  
**Regular Meeting**

THAT the minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

**5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

None

**6. Delegations/Deputations:**

- Matt Reimer presented a plaque on behalf of the Kirkland Lake & District Community Development Corporation to the Township of McGarry in recognition of their support for the Youth Enterprise Camp 2018.
- Sue Culhane presented a cheque to Councillor Wendy K. Weller, representative for the McGarry Volunteer Fire Department, on behalf of the Pioneer Auxiliary.

**7. a) Submitted Question:**

None

**b) Audience Questions:**

**8. Correspondence Information**

**a) Northeastern Ontario Rail Network**

- A letter of appreciation for our support for return of passenger rail in Northern Ontario.

## 9. Council Reports:

### **Mayor Clermont Lapointe**

Good evening, this is the last meeting for this Council. I was honored and pleased to have served the people in McGarry Township for the last 36 years as a Council member for 6 years and 30 years as a Reeve and Mayor. I was very fortunate to work with very good people as members of Council. Over those years we were able to upgrade our infrastructure; new water plant; new sewage plant; Tourist Centre; Medical Centre; Well-House in Cheminis; Boat Launch and Gazebo. This Council was able to get 5 million in grants over the last 4 years which allowed upgrades of sewage and water on Connell Avenue and Kearns and upgrades on 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue in North-Virginiatown; Construction of 3 Solar Project that will bring extra money for the next 18 years. We are leaving the Municipality in a very good financial position with good reserves for future projects. I would like to say a very special Thank You to this present Council for all their support and also a very special Thank You to all the Volunteers in McGarry.

### **Councillor Bonita Culhane**

#### Tourism

McGarry Tourist Committee met on November 7 in the meeting room. Recommendations were given to items were marked for purchased; money has been collected from the Fashion Show for frames and renovations to the kitchen area. New Council have discussed the future plans of a 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Jamboree. The event brings Tourists and Business to our Community and is an event to be proud of.

I have been a member of the Tourist Committee for a number of years and would like to thank everyone who has given memorabilia and time so freely.

#### Strategic Planning

The Committee met for their last meeting with current Council. Our Strategic Plan has been approved for the next five years and the footprint has been set. Bear Wise garbage cans should already have been ordered and waiting for a Trillium Grant. Wishing future Councillors and Committee Members good will as the plan is implemented. Thank you to all I have had the opportunity to work with planning our future.

### **Councillor Elaine Fic**

#### Public Works

- Busy preparing for winter. It would seem winter is here. The Streetlights are being worked on, they should be connected soon. Pedersen is done until spring; public works will be flushing the hydrants. If your water is brown, let the cold water run until it is clear.
- This is my last meeting. I have enjoyed serving the community for the last 8 years. I wish the new Council all the best and I would like to encourage the public to attend the monthly Council meetings. This is the way to stay informed. Attend meetings; ask questions, council works for the rate payers.

**Councillor Wendy K. Weller**

I would like to thank all the committee members and volunteers who came out to help throughout the last 4 years.

**Recreation**

The committee is decorating the gymnasium on December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> for the employee – volunteer Christmas dinner.

**10. New Business:**

- a) Moved by Elaine Fic **204/18**  
Seconded by Bonita Culhane **Property Standard**

THAT the Minutes of the Property Standards meeting held on Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

- b) Moved by Bonita Culhane **205/18**  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller **Tourist**

THAT the Minutes of the Tourist Committee meeting held on Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 be adopted.

Carried

- c) Moved by Bonita Culhane **206/18**  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller **Recreation**

THAT the Minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

- d) Moved by Bonita Culhane **207/18**  
Seconded by Elaine Fic **Poker Run**

THAT Council approve the use of the Community Centre gymnasium for the McGarry Volunteer Firefighter Association 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Snowmobile Poker Run and the use of the meeting room on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Carried

- e) Moved by Elaine Fic **208/18**  
Seconded by Wendy K Weller **Financial**

THAT Council receives and accept the Solaire McGarry Solar Inc Independent Auditors Report and Financial Statement dated December 31, 2017.

Carried

- f) Moved by Bonita Culhane **209/18**  
Seconded by Elaine Fic **Grant Thornton**

THAT Grant Thornton LLP be retained as McGarry Township Auditors for the 2018 auditing purposes.

Carried

- g) Moved by Bonita Culhane **210/18**  
Moved by Elaine Fic **Library**

THAT the minutes of the McGarry Public Library meeting held on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

- h) Moved by Elaine Fic **211/18**  
Moved by Bonita Culhane **Strategic**

THAT the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

- i) Moved by Bonita Culhane **212/18**  
Moved by Elaine Fic **Strategic**

THAT the Minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

- j) Moved by Bonita Culhane **213/18**  
Moved by Elaine Fic **Special Meeting**

THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

**11. Passing of Accounts:**

Moved by Elaine Fic  
Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

**214/18**  
**Passing of Accounts**

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

Payroll:       \$31,482.59  
General:       \$669,986.29

Carried

**12. Passing of By-Law:**

None

**13. Closed Meeting:**

**14. Confirmation of By-Law:**

Moved by Elaine Fic  
Seconded Wendy K. Weller

**215/18**  
**By-Law # 2018-33**

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018 and numbered By-Law 2018-35.

Carried

**15. Adjournment:**

Moved by Bonita Culhane  
Seconded by Elaine Fic

**216/18**  
**Adjournment**

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Carried

Next Regular Council Meeting will be Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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MAYOR

**SIGNATURES ON FILE**

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CLERK-TREASURER