

The Corporation of the Township of Plummer Additional

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Minutes April 17, 2019

Regular COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers

Call to Order

6:00 pm

Present: Mayor: Beth West; Councillors: Mike Jones, Boris Koehler, Carl MacKenzie, Tasha Strum (arrived at 6:03 p.m.)

Staff: Clerk: Vicky Goertzen-Cooke; Roads Working Foreman: Kelly Belisle-Greer

Presenters: Melinda Freer Public Health Nurse, Algoma Public Health and Chair of the North Channel Poverty Network; Anna Hamilton, St. Joseph Island Food Bank, and Mike Delfre, Harvest Algoma, United Way; Jerry Bogart – Joint Services

Observers: Gary & Lou Triplett, Ann Gauthier, Mary Warko, Henry Pieters, Anna Hamilton, Herman Klingenberg

Committee of Adjustment Meeting:

COA 1. Site Plan By-law (#14) – Beilhartz (Rock Lake)

Resln Deferred for further information regarding vegetation buffer, building permits

COA 2. Site Plan By-Law (#15) – Vaughan (Rock Lake)

Resln 2019-72 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

WHEREAS as part of the Condition of Severance, Melody Vaughan is required to enter into a Site Plan Control Agreement (which is designed to sustain the waterfront area on Rock Lake as a naturalized area) with the Township, and;

WHEREAS the Severance application has been reviewed by Tunnock Consulting Ltd. (Township Planner) and Council and subsequently approved;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the Site Plan Agreement (including all Schedules) for Melody Vaughan on lands described as Part Broken Lot 8 Con 6 Part 1 1R13474; Plummer and being part of pin 31450-0570 (LT) Township of Plummer Additional, District of Algoma. CARRIED

COA 3. Adjourn COA Mtg

Resln 2019-73 Carl MacKenzie Tasha Strum

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourns the Committee of Adjustment Meeting at **6:06** pm to meet again as required. CARRIED

1. **ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA**

Resln 2019-74 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the Addendum to Agenda as follows:

- a) Capital round of Trillium Funding for Hall Renovations-Improvements – under 15b
- b) Final Fire Invoicing from Town (received Apr 17/19) – under 8a. CARRIED

2. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** - none noted

3. **Municipal Staff Report – Roads**

- a) Roads Working Foreperson Report
- b) Soo Overhead doors – quote to replace door panels – defer for more quotes
RWF requested that the Resln be deferred- waiting on further quotes.
- c) Tractor rental – roadside grass cutting \$3000/month 90 horse tractor; up \$500 from last year;

Resln 2019-75 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the RWF to rent a tractor – brush hog (as required) to complete the 2019 Roadside grass cutting project for a period of **two months** for the amount of \$3,000/month plus delivery fee of \$300.00. CARRIED

RWF to track hours of use & report back to council.

d) Ditching

ResIn 2019-76 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves staff to tender out the Ditching and Culvert replacement on:

- a) Trunk Road Section #565 between Hwy 17 & Braniff – ditching 600 m
- b) Braniff Road Section 560 between RRKing & Trunk Rd – ditching total 800 m
- c) Braniff Road Section 560 - Culvert Removal and Installation. CARRIED
- e) Gravel

ResIn 2019-77 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves staff to tender out the Gravel Contract for:

- 2,676 cubic metres of 5/8" Type M – placed on various roads
- 800 cubic metres of 5/8" Type M stock piled
- 400 cubic metres of 2" minus – stock piled. CARRIED
- f) Brushing – to be done in house
- g) Stewardship Youth Rangers

ResIn 2019-78 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the RWF apply for Stewardship Youth Rangers to complete various projects in the Township. CARRIED

Work to be done in the Parks & Cemeteries pending availability of Youth Rangers.

- h) Amalgamated Tender (results not available from EARS group yet)
- i) CVOR training

ResIn 2019-79 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves CVOR training for: Tom Brown, Chad Mullen, Len Bringleson in the amount of \$132.79 Inc. taxes/person. CARRIED

Council consensus to Move to 5a until the North Channel Poverty Network is ready

4. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

- a) Melinda Freer Public Health Nurse, Algoma Public Health and Chair of the North Channel Poverty Network (NCPN); Anna Hamilton, St. Joseph Island Food Bank, and Mike Delfre, Harvest Algoma, United Way:

The NCPN is a network of community groups, municipalities, agencies and individuals who are concerned about the impacts of poverty in our communities from Echo Bay to Serpent River along the North Channel.

4 key areas of concern:

1. Food insecurity,
 - Trillium funded Central Algoma Food for Everyone (CAFFE) project identified a need for or an enhancement of:
 - Food rescue – getting food from farms, restaurants and redistributing so it doesn't go to waste.
 - Food resource centre – food banks (they do have an emergency number on St. Joseph Island if required).
 - Community kitchens
 - Community gardens
 - Emergency food providers
2. Inadequate and unaffordable transportation,

660 residents identified in a survey that the lack of publicly funded transportation contributed to:

- an increased level of stress (having to rely on friends and neighbours),
- lack of choice for shopping basics.
- increased travel costs, and,
- decreased level of independence.

3. Lack of essential and affordable services,
 - Residents in rural areas have limited options to access emergency resources
 - The North Channel has limited social work services and mental health support available to address the complex needs
 - Community examples of hubs (food bank, cooking classes and clothing)
4. Inadequate and unaffordable housing.
 - Spending over 30% of your income on shelter is a well-established indicator of poverty.
 - In Algoma over 20% of households spend more than 30% of their total income on shelter (Census Profile, 2016 Census).

Current Projects being worked on:

- Development of community hubs
- Participation in East Algoma Transportation Work Team
- Development of proposal to address transportation needs across the age span
- Communication to increase awareness of issues and consequences of poverty

Request:

5. Selecting a municipal representative to stand as a member of the NCPN
6. Supporting the NCPN and encourage government to implement measures to alleviate poverty in rural communities
7. Contact us at northchannelpovertynetwork@gmail.com if you have questions.

Resln 2019-81 Boris Koehler

Mike Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council appoints **Tasha Strum** as the Municipal Representative on the North Channel Poverty Network. CARRIED

- Council noted that this is not a Committee of Council; Councillor T. Strum to attend meetings for information purposes.

North Channel Poverty Network's Representatives left the meeting at 6:54 pm

- a) Jerry Bogart – Joint Services (6:56 pm)
 - Although a Town Councillor, J. Bogart noted he was not at our meeting representing the Town Council. He indicated he was at the meeting as an individual presenting the potential idea of having the Township working jointly with the Town Council on a number of Community Projects, i.e. Canada Day.
 - He stressed the importance of Community Events not only in drawing in people from outside of the Community, but for a sense of Community.
 - The Chamber of Commerce and Legion have declined on taking the lead for Canada Day in 2019; a third party has been hired to oversee this event.
 - J. Bogart questioned if this is something that interests Plummer Twsp?
 - PA Council has supported the celebrations in the past but noted concern that no events were planned in Plummer Twsp.
 - No confirmation if all of the Town Council is on board with working together on this.
 - J. Bogart is looking for one or two people to commit to working on this as the same volunteers are getting burned out.
 - PA Councillors to contact J. Bogart if they are interested.

J. Bogart left the meeting at 7:07.

Council Consensus to Move to Trailer by-law discussion:

Concerns noted:

- Some lots are not buildable, can't meet the setbacks; people are putting trailers on these lots; this should be disclosed by the Realtor before the person buys.
 - Twsp-the purchaser can contact the office for property zoning/building information and/or they may be directed to where they can find out other specifics prior to buying.
- Ratepayer presently living in his trailer noted they can't afford to build right away; they are saving up to build; requests more than the 1-year allowance to live in a temporary trailer while building a permanent structure; other(s) suggested 1-5 years; Twsp noted that 5 years is too long, may consider longer than 1 year.
- Re: more than one trailer on lot - People who build a house, pay higher taxes than people on a vacant lot; if trailers move in next door it devalues their property; noise complaints
- Easements – these should be registered and will come up in a Title Search on property at Land Registry if one exists.
- Public will have until May 6th to submit their concerns in writing for consideration at the next council meeting on May 15th.

Group of left at 7:44 pm

8. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Resln 2019-80 Carl MacKenzie Boris Koehler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the minutes as presented for April 2, 2019 (regular). CARRIED

REPORTS:

MUNICIPAL STAFF REPORT'S continued:

9. Planning & By-law Enforcement (K. Morris)
 - a) Building Permit Summary Report – April 10, 2019 – no issues
10. Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector ~ (V. Goertzen-Cooke)
 - a) ADSSAB 2019 levy \$317,403.00
 - i. ADSSAB Annual Mtg – April 25 – 7 pm Little Rapids – appoint delegate

Resln 2019-82 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the 2019 Levy from Algoma District Social Services Board in the amount of \$317,403.00. CARRIED

Resln 2019-83 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council appoints **Tasha Strum** as the voting delegate for the Algoma District Social Services Board Annual Board Meeting on April 25th at 7:00 pm in Little Rapids. CARRIED

- b) Roll #003 07126 – Vested in the Twsp Name; write down taxes – exempt status

Resln 2019-84 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

WHEREAS Roll 003 07126 was registered for non-payment of taxes and offered for sale via the Ontario Gazette but did not sell, and;

WHEREAS MPAC has now transferred this roll into the Township's name and has been deemed as having tax exempt status for the time being;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council approves the write off of \$3,831.59 in Taxes on this account. CARRIED

- c) Town of Bruce Mines – follow up; they not building a new Fire Hall as reported by a Councillor; joint meeting not required at this time to discuss the Ontario Trap Rock proposal.
- d) Min. of Infrastructure – Budget 2019 FYI
- e) Next Joint meeting – Budgets? Dates to be copied to Town
Apr 30, May 1 May 2?

11. Community Fire Safety: n/a

- a) Fire Final 2018 Invoicing Town

Resln 2019-85 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council approves the payment of the Final 2018 Fire Protection Services invoicing from the Town in the amount of \$10,785.42. CARRIED

12. Community Emergency Management Program ~ (C. MacKenzie)

- a) Reminder - Emergency Preparedness Week May 5-11
 b) Basic Emergency Management Course May 24-25; Echo Bay – no attendees; Mike and Carl certified.
 c) C. Mackenzie to confirm if he is able to attend the Sector Mtg in June

13. Animal Control: n/a

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

11. Health & Health Centre ~ (B. Koehler)

- a) 2018 Audited Financials

Resln 2019-86 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council acknowledges receipt of the 2018 Health Centre Financials. CARRIED
 Auditor's comments – to send back to Town for verification.

12. Recreation ~ (T. Strum & B. Koehler)

- a) North Channel Healthy Families – Collaborative Agreement DRAFT – comments?

Resln 2019-87 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council approves in principal the continuation of participation in the North Channel Healthy Families Committee. CARRIED

13. Tri-Neighbours & Waste Management ~ (C. MacKenzie)

- Reminder in newsletter to PA Ratepayers to haul their brush to the Tri-Neighbours site; previously reported that Town of Bruce Mines Transfer site no longer accepting brush from Plummer Twsp.
- Council noted concerns about increasing costs of maintenance on East Line Road due to extra traffic.
- With Plummer Twsp not being allowed to take brush to the Bruce Transfer site; C. MacKenzie to verify with Tri-Neighbours if the wages/expenses for the Bruce Mines Site are still being split among the group.

14. Cemetery ~ (C. MacKenzie - T. Strum)

- a) Reminder – Cemetery Clean up – May 5th 9:00 am – 12:00 – lunch provided
 b) Next mtg date – C. MacKenzie to contact Amy Bolduc: T. Strum to be reappointed as the Council representative with C. MacKenzie as the alternate.

15. Library, Parks & Hall ~ (B. West)

- a) Hall – refinish floor quote (Thomsen) – defer to funding model

- b) Capital round of Trillium Funding for Hall Renovations-Improvements.

Resln 2019-88 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council approves staff to apply to the Capital round of Trillium Funding for Hall Renovations-Improvements. CARRIED

Tasha Strum left the Meeting 8:30 pm

16. Health and Safety ~ (M. Jones)

- a) Next meeting date - to be determined; G. Marie Wilson will notify staff/council.

17. Personnel: N/A

- a) Summer Student Jobs close April 26th – interviews to be scheduled for May 2, 2019

b) Authorization of Hiring Summer Students

Resln 2019-89 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council authorizes the Human Resources Committee to hire the Summer Students for the term of Council. CARRIED

- Deputy Clerk to investigate Metis Funding

c) Cemetery Locator - deferred

18. Other:

- a) CASS Graduation – annual donation

Resln 2019-90 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council donates the following amounts to CASS and CAES for the June Graduation ceremonies for the term of council.

- a) Grade 12 graduate **\$100.00** x 2
- b) Grade 8 graduate **\$50.00** x 2
- c) Central Algoma Community Award **\$50.00** (Township Student only). CARRIED

- b) Bruce Station Horticulture – Annual Meeting May 4th & annual donation

Resln 2019-91 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

WHEREAS the Bruce Station Horticultural Society plants and looks after the Municipal Gardens at the Bruce Station Hall and Township Office, and:

WHEREAS the Township appreciates the work that the volunteers do to beautify the Municipality;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council donates **\$200.00** annually towards their costs and efforts for the term of council.

CARRIED

- c) Geology Tour 2019 – information received as an FYI – no further action at this time.
- d) Special Committee of Adjustment Meeting – May 2, 2019

19. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:20. NEW BUSINESS:21. DISBURSEMENTS:

- a) Expenditures March 1-31, 2018
- b) Financials

Resln 2019-92 **Boris Koehler** **Beth West**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council authorizes payment of the following expenditures for Feb 1- 28, 2019: General \$189,484.47; Health Centre \$3,109.03. CARRIED

22. BY-LAWS:

- a) Remuneration (#16) - Amends 2018-30 – defer to after ADMA meeting
- b) Trailer License

- i. Trailer – public concerns/comments

Resln 2019-93 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council gives 1st & 2nd readings to By-Law 2019-18 being a by-law to regulate trailers in the Township. CARRIED

- c) Fees & Charges (#17)

Resln 2019-94 **Boris Koehler** **Mike Jones**

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council gives three readings and passes a Fees and Charges by-law 2019-17. By-law 2018-15 is hereby repealed. CARRIED

23. NOTICE OF MOTIONS24. MEMBERS REPORT (on items other than listed above): (COUNCIL MEMBERS)

25. CLOSED SESSION:

ResIn 2019-95 Mike Jones Beth West

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council proceeds into Closed Session at **8:45** pm to consider the following subject matter in accordance with the Municipal Act, S.239 (2): A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for municipal or local board purposes;

Labour relations or employee negotiations. CARRIED

ResIn 2019-96 Mike Jones Carl MacKenzie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council returns to open meeting at 9:10 pm. CARRIED

26. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

ResIn 2019-97 Boris Koehler Mike Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council Passes By-Law No. 2019-19, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting held prior to and on April 17, 2019. CARRIED

27. ADJOURNMENT:

ResIn 2019-98 Carl MacKenzie Boris Koehler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourns the Meeting at 9:15 pm to meet again on May 15, 2019 or at the call of the Mayor. CARRIED

 Mayor: Beth West

 Clerk: Vicky Goertzen-Cooke

Next Regular Council Mtg – May 15th, 2019 @ 6:00 pm @ the Bruce Station Hall.

Acronyms:

@ = at

ADSSAB – Algoma District Social Services Administration Board

AGM – Annual General Meeting

AHPS – Arthur Henderson Public School

AODA – Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act

CBO – Chief Building Official

CERB – Central Emergency reporting Bureau

CF- Carry Forward

CFSO- Community Fire Safety Officer

CUPE - Canadian Union of Public Employees

EARS – East Algoma Roads Superintendents

FYI – for your information

Fed Nor – Federal Economic Development for Northern Ontario

FONOM – Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

Frd – forwarded from prior meeting

HNWDRRC - Huron Northwest Doctor Recruitment & Retention Committee

OCIF – Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund

OGRA – Ontario Good Roads Association

OMB – Ontario Municipal Board

OMAFRA – Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs

OPP – Ontario Provincial Police

Orig. - Original

OTF – Ontario Trillium Foundation

Min. - Ministry

MNR – Ministry of Natural Resources

MMA – Ministry of Municipal Affairs

MOU – Memorandum of Understanding

MPAC – Municipal Property Assessment Corporation

Mtg - Meeting

MTO – Ministry of Transportation

MWRC – Municipal Waste & Recycling Consultants

N/A – not applicable

PA -Plummer Additional

RBC – Royal Bank of Canada

Reg. - registration

Rep – Representative

ResIn – Resolution

RFQ – Request for Quote

ROMA – Rural Ontario Municipal Association

RWF – Road Working Foreperson

SSM – Sault Ste. Marie

TMM – The Managed Municipality

TSSA – Technical Standards and Safety Authority

TWSP - Township