

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday December 6th 2016 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor V Pizey, Councillors: G Anderson, C Fadden, W Lundgren & J Moen. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt Ed Pearson.

MINUTES #16-78 FADDEN & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on November 1st 2016, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #16-79 MOEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$130,115.05 representing disbursements for the month of November be approved for payment. **COUNCILLOR FADDEN DECLARED A CONFLICT AS HER SPOUSE WORKS FOR MILLER CONTRACTING.**

CIBC #16-80 LUNDGREN & FADDEN & CARRIED that the Clerk-Treasurer write a letter in support of the Town of Rainy River and its opposition to the closing of the CIBC branch in Rainy River. Council agrees that the removal of the banking service would be a tremendous burden on our residents and ratepayers.

SIGNS #16-81 FADDEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorize payment of the tax bills in Dawson Twp. for out two tourism signs on private property.

MTA #16-82 ANDERSON & MOEN & CARRIED that the accounts payable for Morson Tourism Association in the amount of \$5000.00 from 2015 be cancelled as the organization is not operating at the present time.

INSURANCE #16-83 LUNDGREN & FADDEN & CARRIED that Council authorize the renewal of insurance coverage from AON Reed Stenhouse effective January 1 2017. The insurance values have been adjusted for inflation.

IN CAMERA #16-84 ANDERSON & MOEN & CARRIED that Council go in camera to discuss personnel issues at 8:45 p.m. **THE MEETING** was declared open at 8:50 p.m.

BONUSES #16-85 MOEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to pay the Christmas bonuses as authorized by Council.

OTHER The Rd Supt gave his verbal report with snowplowing completed today, doors repaired at Morson hall and Council asked him to investigate installation of a hand rail for Bergland Hall entrance. The monthly CBO report was received for review. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including a budget update, POA receipt, an appeal to MPAC was filed for our landfill sites, the 2017 OMPF allocation was received cemetery by-laws have been filed for approval, notices of potential tax sale have been sent out and the 2015 funds in Court have been applied for. MMAH advised of our 2015 financial indicators which show outstanding taxes at the HIGH range, the Clerk-Treasurer provided MMAH information on the matter, interim audit being conducted Dec 15th. Mayor V Pizey reported on a meeting with B Mauro MPP including complaints about hydro rates, also reported on the RRDMA

executive meeting. Council also discussed the spreadsheet on expenses for doctor recruitment as provided by Riverside Health Care.

ADJOURN #16-86 MOEN & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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