

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday May 5th 2020 at 7pm in the Morson Council Chambers. There was no meeting in April due to coronavirus Covid-19.

PRESENT Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: G Anderson, A Chojko-Bolec, N Gate & W Lundgren.
Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt Ed Pearson.

MINUTES #20-19 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on March 3rd 2020, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #20-20 CHOJKO-BOLEC & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$89,735.35 and \$86,900.83 representing disbursements for the months of March & April respectively be approved for payment. **MAYOR FADDEN DECLARED A CONFLICT AS HER SPOUSE WORKS FOR MILLER CONTRACTING. COUNCILLOR LUNDGREN TOOK THE CHAIR FOR THIS ITEM.**

FINANCIALS #20-21 LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council approves the audited Financial Statements for the year 2019. And further that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign the statements.

BENEFITS #20-22 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that effective April 1st 2020, Council authorizes renewal of the group insurance coverage from Mercer Marsh Benefits at the annual rate of \$18672.00 plus taxes, a 0.7% increase. These premiums are based on individual employee's cost and are shared with the Township of Dawson.

OTHER The Rd Supt updated on recent road work and starting grading, we received an auger for the backhoe for use in the cemetery and for signage etc, the road patrol will be held on May 27th. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on the a draft budget which will be passed next meeting and the interest date on current taxes will be delayed due to the virus, still no agreement from Rainy River on the EDO costing, we received the 2nd OMPF payment of \$162200, the OPP household count for billing at 706 properties, the sharing ratio for commercial taxes was received, the council remuneration report had been circulated, tax sale on properties as well the required community safety plans and the 2020 reassessment are delayed due to the virus. He also updated on the renewal of group benefits and reduction during the virus lockdown. Mayor Fadden reported on weekly meetings with NWHU & MPP G Rickford on the developments due to the virus. Various resolutions and proclamation requests were reviewed and Council took no action on any of them.

ADJOURN #20-23 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

_____ Mayor

_____ Clerk