

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council, was held on Tuesday November 2nd 2021 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

- PRESENT** Mayor C Fadden, Councillors: G Anderson, A Chojko-Bolec (via Skype) N Gate & W Lundgren. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt Ed Pearson.
- VIRTUAL #21-69** GATE & ANDERSON CARRIED that pursuant to Bill 197 which allows amendments to our procedural by-law to allow electronic meetings. Council hereby authorizes an amendment to the procedural by-law to allow council members to attend regular meetings of council by electronic means.
- MINUTES #21-70** GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on October 5th 2021, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #21-71** LUNDREN & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$257,363.94 and representing disbursements for the month October 2021 be approved for payment.
- DREDGE #21-72** CHOJKO-BOLEC & GATE & CARRIED that the Poth and Krasnowski property owners be advised that the municipality has no objection to their proposed dredging in front of their properties on Hanson Bay. The dredging is necessary to gain boat access from their docks to the open channel of Hanson Bay.
- SIGNAGE #21-73** LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of the Canadian TODS Limited signage for Oscar Bay Beach. For the year of 2022 this is for the sign at Hwy 621 and Frenchman's Rock Road at a cost of \$452.00.
- OTHER** The Rd Supt reported on road work including snow plow equipment has been installed, some grading needs to be done after recent rains, the brusher head should arrive in November, work on the seawall has commenced and the federal and provincial signage is installed, the toilets at Carl's Rd project is wait for the entrance door, the internet was installed at Bergland Council Chambers. Council will allow the opening of the community halls provided all Covid-19 restrictions including vaccination are adhered too, renters are responsible for tracing & vaccination reports as well as providing masks and sanitizer materials, in addition to cleaning the facility as was in the past. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including a budget update, group insurance change over, upcoming renewal of our municipal insurance, QR download options, various memberships and levies including at WSIB rate increase of 1 cent to \$2.86, the 4th ¼ OMPF payment of \$163,200 was received and confirmation of the same OMPF for 2022 was received. Tax arrears and tax sale notices have been sent out and over \$20,000 has been collected in outstanding taxes. Councillor Lundgren expressed concern on the recent work on the M Stintzi Drain and thought that extra work was carried out for the project and what protocol we have in place to cover such matters, the Clerk will check with the Drain Supt (upon checking only the intended work was completed). The Clerk will be on vacation Nov 15 to 24th and the office will be closed. The Clerk had met with reps from the Société Economique de L' Ontario and discussed their initiatives to encourage Francophone

businesses to establish in northern Ontario. The CBO report on building permits for the year was received and Council is seeking a way to ensure inspection requirements are completed for island properties. Council discussed the survey from Rainy River regarding the need for a by-law enforcement officer. The Council will make a decision on the matter and what if any types of by-law items such and officer would be responsible to enforce.

ADJOURN #21-74 ANDERSON & GATE & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

_____ Mayor

_____ Clerk