

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council, was held on Tuesday January 4th 2022 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 absent.

A public meeting was held to consider a consent application by Daniel Anderson. The consent application was for a lot addition of 9 ha to one property and to sever off a 64 ha. property in Con 1 Lots 3 & 4 McCrosson. The Clerk-Treasurer reviewed the application and the notices provided to the public. No public or Ministry comments were received.

CONSENT #22-01 LUNDGREN & GATE & CARRIED that provisional approval be granted to severance application 46B2103 Daniel Anderson with the attached 5 conditions. **COUNCILLOR ANDERSON declared an interest as the applicant is his son and he will be acquiring the 64 ha. property.** The public meeting was closed at 7:07 p.m.

MINUTES #22-02 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on December 7th 2021, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #22-03 LUNDGREN & ANDERSON & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$121,791.79 and representing disbursements for the month of December 2022 be approved for payment.

LOWDSA #22-04 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of memberships for the 3 members of Council in the LOWDSA, which includes their magazine subscription.

BENEFITS #22-05 GATE & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that due to the age of the Clerk-Treasurer the group benefits plan coverage will after March 2022 no longer be available. And therefore, Council agrees to provide the Clerk-Treasurer with the same level of funding in order to purchase alternate health coverage, while he remains an employee.

RRDMA #22-06 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council authorizes the Council members and Clerk-Treasurer to attend the annual Rainy River District Municipal Association virtual meeting on January 15, 2022.

INSURANCE #22-07 CHOJKO-BOLEC & ANDERSON & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of insurance coverage from Marsh Canada Limited effective January 1st 2022. There are no optional coverages to be added and the premium is \$28,952.48.

RESERVES #22-08 GATE & ANDERSON & CARRIED that pursuant to the 2021 budget, Council authorizes the following allocations: to the TCA Reserve \$97,500.00 and to the Gov't Dock Parking Lot Facility \$2,500.00.

NORDS #22-09 CHOJKO-BOLEC & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that pursuant to the recommendation of the Road Superintendent, Council authorizes the use of the allocations from 2021 & 2022 NORDS grant for the following road project: Frenchman's Rock Road resurfacing.

RESOLUTIONS #22-10 GATE & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that Council supports the following resolutions: Fort Frances regarding concerns on the proposed sale of the International Bridge at Fort Frances and Rainy River request for the installation of public wayside rest area(s) in the west end of the Rainy River District.

OTHER The Rd Supt was absent. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including a budget update, the OCIF funding for 2022 will be increased to \$100,000, the insurance renewal was available for review, MPAC levy decreased from \$27583.23 to \$27,283.36, the NWHU levy increased from \$14,677.22 to \$14,834.03, the OGRA & AMO memberships were not approved, the annual accessibility report was filed, work on the Carl's Rd toilet was completed and some concerns of Council were expressed with the overall costs of the project, more blocks for the erosion control wall were received. Indigenous Affairs provided updated information on the Lake of the Woods/Shoal Lake/Winnipeg River flood claims. Due to continued Covid case number Council is closing the halls for public use. It was noted that former council member Leonard Larsen passed away January 2nd 2022 and the condolences of Council and staff go out to his family.

ADJOURN #22-11 ANDERSON & GATE & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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_____ Clerk