

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council, which was held on Tuesday September 3rd 2024 at 7pm in the Morson Council Chambers.

- PRESENT** Mayor Colleen Fadden, Councillors: A Chojko-Bolec, K Cottam, N Gate & W Lundgren. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt E Pearson. Visitors: B & B Pentney.
- MINUTES** **#24-48** LUNDGREN & CHOJKO-BOLEC & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council, held on August 6th 2024, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS** **#24-49** COTTAM & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$369,721.59 and representing disbursements for the month of August be approved for payment.
- KIDS** **#24-50** GATE & COTTAM & CARRIED that Council authorizes a donation of \$100.00 to support the Rainy River Recreation Kids Mini Derby on Sept 21 2024.
- SIGN** **#24-51** CHOJKO-BOLEC & COTTAM & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of the MTO permit for the “Welcome to Township” sign, at Storkson Rd and Hwy 621, at a cost of \$520.00.
- SUNSET** **#24-52** LUNDGREN & COTTAM & CARRIED that as per a request, Council send a letter of support for the Ontario’s Sunset Country FedNor Application for the Generating Tourism Dollars for the Ontario’s Sunset Country Project.
- OTHER** The Rd Supt reported on road work including completion of the surface treatment, a theft of personal items from a worker’s vehicle at the public works garage, OPP recovered all items, a report of a female going thru garbage bags at Lighthouse Rd collection site. Council discussed the necessity of finding someone to regularly service toilets at Oscar Bay Beach. Some concern about the appearance of the cemeteries and the need for care to be taken around headstones and light fixtures near the headstones. The public works garage addition is not completed yet and the contractor is to start soon on the rink boards replacement. An update was provided to Council on monuments and markers in cemetery plots and the matter in Morson Cemetery with a burial and placement of a marker has been resolved. Other markers are being removed in Bergland Cemetery. Council wants to see a “finger board” for Bergland Hall placed on Hwy 621. The Clerk-Treasurer reported on the next fire board meeting, property taxes outstanding balance, the death of our CBO and the need for a replacement, the PPS document has been proclaimed for Oct 20 2024 and the consultant will work on updating our planning documents, the propane agreement will use the fixed rate for the next year, our CVOR has been renewed, OPP revenues of \$180.52 has been received, the new reduced education for quarry properties was received. Councillor Cottam reported on a recent meeting to discuss the potential closing of the RR Clinic and emergency care at RR Hospital due to a doctor shortage, various groups within the district and the local doctors are seeking a resolution with the Ministry of Health.

ADJOURN #24-53 GATE & COTTAM & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk