



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in person in the meeting room or by phone.

**1. Opening of Meeting and Call to Order:**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

**2. Roll Call: Mayor took a roll call:**

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Bonita Culhane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Louanne Caza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Elaine Fic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Annie Keft	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Francine Plante	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Clerk-Treasurer – Karine Pelletier  
Public Works Superintendent – Mark Brown  
J.L Richards Planner – Sarah Verrault

Members of the audience present: 22

**3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum:**

Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic **100/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante **Adoption of Agenda**

THAT the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 9, 2024, be adopted.

Carried

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: None**

- Councillor Francine Plante declared a conflict of interest on item #10 (i) – Bursary for Ecole Secondaire Catholique de l'Envolee du Nord.

**5. Minutes of Previous Meetings :**

Moved by Councillor Annie Keft **101/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic **Regular Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 12, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Francine Plante  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic

**102/2024**  
**Special Minutes**

THAT the minutes for the Special Meeting of Council held on March 14, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Annie Keft  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic

**103/2024**  
**Closed Meeting Minutes**

THAT the minutes of the Close Meeting of Council held on March 14 , 2024 be adopted.

Carried

**6. Matters arising from the minutes:** None

**7. Deputations / Delegations:**

-J.L. Richards (Sarah Vereault) – Gave an update on the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law. She explained the changes that had been made and there was a question period held for Council and the audience. After a discussion and some comments from Council and the audience it was agreed that the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law would be approved and passed with some revisions.

a) Moved by Councillor Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante

**104/2024**  
**By-Law 2024-16**

THAT a By-Law to adopt the Township of McGarry Official Plan be read three times and passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024 and numbered By-Law 2024-16 with the revisions made at tonight's meeting by Councillor Keft.

Carried

b) Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic  
Seconded by Councillor Annie Keft

**105/2024**  
**By-Law 2024-17**

THAT a By-Law to regulate the use of all land, and the density, size, location, and use of all buildings and structures within the Township of McGarry municipal boundary be read three times and passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024 and numbered By-Law 2024-17.

Carried

**8. Correspondence / Information:**

- a) Timiskaming Health Unit- Year End Report
- b) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – 2024 Annual Repayment
- c) Municipal Finance Officer's Association of Ontario – Provincial and Fiscal Update 2024.

**9. Members Update Reports :**

Mayor and Members of Council gave a verbal report.

**10. New Business :**

- a) Moved by Councillor Francine Plante **106/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic **Strategic Minutes**

THAT the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee held on February 27, 2024 be approved.

Carried

- b) Moved by Councillor Francine Plante **107/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Annie Keft **Library Board**

THAT Council have received the letter from the McGarry Public Library Board and agree to grant them access to the side entrance.

Carried

- c) Moved by Councillor Annie Keft **108/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Louanne Caza **Library Board Minutes**

THAT the minutes of the McGarry Public Library Board Meeting held on February 26, 2024 be approved.

Carried

- d) Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic **109/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante **THU Minutes**

THAT Council has received and read the minutes of the Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health of January 31, 2024.

Carried

- e) Moved by Councillor Louanne Caza **110/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic **Al French - Request**

THAT Council have received the letter from Al French and agree to grant them the use of Community Centre for one function on July 27, 2024 if the functions outgrow the Legion venue. This would include the gymnasium, the meeting room and kitchen free of charge.

Carried

- f) Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic **111/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Annie Keft **Asset Retirement Obligation**

THAT Council have received the report from the Clerk-Treasurer on Asset Retirement Obligations (ARO'S) and agree to hire a consultant as a group with other municipalities interested to provide an Asset Retirement Study and a Report at a cost of approximately \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00 to ensure that we comply with the regulations from the Private Sector Accounting Board.

Carried

- g) Moved by Councillor Francine Plante  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic

**112/2024**  
**Surplus equipment**

THAT Council have received the report from the Public Works Superintendent and agree to declare the following equipment surplus and direct the Staff to advertise the equipment for sale with starting minimum bids of:

- Zamboni – Starting Minimum Bid: \$10,000.00
- Skate Sharpener – Starting Minimum Bid: \$500.00
- Gas Cement Mixer - Starting Minimum Bid: \$500.00
- Yamaha 4400 Generator – Starting Minimum Bid: \$600.00
- Yamaha 6000 Generator – Starting Minimum Bid: \$750.00
- Oil Unit Space Heater – Starting Minimum Bid: \$150.00 or scrap metal
- Pop Machine – Starting Minimum Bid: \$200.00
- Vactron – Starting Minimum Bid: \$10,000.00
- Sreco Sewer Flusher – Starting Minimum Bid: \$2,000.00
- Time Clock – Starting Minimum Bid: \$3,000.00
- Aluminum Advertising Board - Starting Minimum Bid: \$300.00

Carried

- h) Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic  
Seconded by Councillor Annie Keft

**113/2024**  
**KLDCS Bursaries**

THAT Council give two (2) bursaries in the amount of \$100.00 each to Kirkland Lake District Composite School to be awarded to local graduates.

Carried

- Councillor Plante declared a conflict of interest and left the room.

- i) Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic  
Seconded by Councilor Louanne Caza

**114/2024**  
**ESCEN Bursaries**

THAT Council give two (2) bursaries in the amount of \$100.00 each to Ecole Secondaire Catholique l'Envolee du Nord to be awarded to local graduates.

Carried

- Councillor Plante came back into the room.

- j) Moved by Councillor Francine Plante  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic

**115/2024**  
**PINCHIN**

THAT Council have received and read the 2023 Annual Monitoring Report for the McGarry Waste Disposal Site from Pinchin.

Carried

- k) Moved by Councillor Annie Keft **116/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Elaine Fic **TMSA**

THAT Council have received and read the minutes of February 1, 2024, the 2023 Financial Statement and the Schedule of set fees for Planning Services from the Temiskaming Municipal Service Association.

Carried

**11. Passing of Accounts:**

- Moved by Councillor Elaine Fic **117/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Louanne Caza **Accounts**

THAT the following accounts be approved for payment:

**MARCH 2024**

Payroll: \$ 32,598.66

General: \$ 289,562.10

Carried

**12. Passing of By-Laws:**

- a) Moved by Councillor Annie Keft **118/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante **By-Law 2024-18**

THAT a By-Law to establish a Recreation Committee and Terms of Reference for the Committee be read three times and passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024 and be numbered By-Law 2024-18.

Carried

- b) Moved by Councillor Annie Keft **119/2024**  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante **By-Law 2024-19**

THAT a By-Law to establish a Strategic Planning Committee and Terms of Reference for the Committee be read three times and passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024 and be numbered By-Law 2024-19.

Carried

**13. a) Submitted Questions :**

- Letter from Muriel Rose – Update on the Tax Sale’s for 2024.

**b) Audience Questions:** A question period was held.

**14. Closed Meeting:**

Moved by Councillor Louanne Caza  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante

**120/2024**  
**Closed Meeting**

THAT Council goes into closed session at 8:03 p.m. under the Municipal Act 2001. C25, s 239, Section (2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communication necessary for that purpose.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Annie Keft  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante

**121/2024**  
**Out of Close Session**

THAT Council come out of close session at 9:09 pm.

Carried

**15. Confirmation By-Law:**

Moved by Councillor Francine Plante  
Seconded by Councillor Annie Keft

**122/2024**  
**Confirmation By-Law**

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be read three times and passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024 and numbered By-Law 2024-20.

Carried

**16. Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Annie Keft  
Seconded by Councillor Francine Plante

**123/2024**  
**Adjournment**

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Carried

  
**MAYOR**

  
**CLERK-TREASURER**