

**The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
Minutes of a Regular Council meeting held Tuesday, March 5, 2020
in the Waterfront Artisan Incubator and Technology Center at 7:00p.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor Al MacNevin, Councillors: Barb Baker, Al Boyd, Laurie Cook, Mike Erskine, William Koehler, Dawn Orr and Bruce Wood

ABSENT: Councillor Jim Ferguson

STAFF PRESENT: David Williamson, CAO
Pam Cress, Clerk

Mayor MacNevin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution No. 57-03-2020

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: M. Erskine

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands approves the agenda.

Carried

Resolution No. 58-03-2020

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: B. Wood

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands reads a first, second and third time and finally passes By-Law no. 2020-08, being a by-law to adopt the minutes of Council for the term commencing December 4, 2018 and authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby.

Carried

Resolution No. 59-03-2020

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: D. Orr

RESOLVED THAT the Planning Authority of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands conditionally approves the application for consent as applied for by Dianne McGaughey, File number Con 2020-01, to allow for two severance. To be filed within one year of the Notice of Decision for certification

1. Transfer of landform prepared by a solicitor and a schedule to the transfer of landform on which is set out the entire legal description of the parcel
2. The applicant must deposit a Reference Plan of Survey in the Land Registry Office clearly delineating the parcels of land approved by the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands in this decision and provide the Town with a copy.
3. Prior to final approval by the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands all outstanding taxes must be paid.
4. All outstanding fees associated with this application must be paid including advertising fees.

Carried

Resolution No. 60-03-2020

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: L. Cook

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands donates \$200 to the Angel Bus.

Carried

Resolution No. 61-03-2020

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: M. Erskine

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands reads a first, second and third time and finally passes By-law 2020-09, being a by-law to establish a policy for water and wastewater rates and charges for 2020.

Carried

Resolution No. 62-03-2020

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: A. Boyd

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands donates \$200 to the Little Current Fish and Game Club.

Carried

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Resolution No. 63-03-2020

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: A. Boyd

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands accepts funding from Canadian Heritage in the amount of \$4000 to support Canada Day Celebrations.

Carried

Resolution No. 64-03-2020

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: A. Boyd

Whereas: access to affordable and reliable broadband networks is an important part of everyday life and key to economic, education, social and health development and;

Whereas: communities outside urban centres face challenges in accessing internet service levels comparable to those in cities due to factors such as low population, distance and challenging terrain and;

Whereas: we believe future ICT infrastructure investment in our community would benefit from a holistic model that takes into account the connectivity needs of regional community partnerships rather than just one community and;

Whereas: this regional partnership should begin with a comprehensive needs analysis conducted by Blue Sky Net, a publicly funded non-profit development corporation using their expertise and data based mapping tool- (BAIMAP-- Broadband and Associated Infrastructure Mapping Analysis Project) and;

Whereas: from the analysis and public consultation Blue Sky Net will conduct, it will be determined where internet gaps remain while also acknowledging what may be the best technology to fill these gaps based on access to the closest ICT infrastructure like fibre or other existing network infrastructure and;

Whereas: once we determine priority areas we propose establishing three classes of gaps;

- 1) gaps in fibre/backbone infrastructure,
- 2) gaps in last mile/local access to business and residents and
- 3) gaps in access in remote/very isolated area, and;

Whereas: the Federal and Provincial governments are proposing funding programs that will support the implementation of Broadband projects and will require this in-depth information, we would propose;

Therefore: be it resolved that, the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands supports Blue Sky Net leading a steering committee to which a representative from Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands will be appointed and that Blue Sky Net will work with this committee during the period of analysis, funding application and any subsequent RFP engagement.

Carried

Resolution No. 65-03-2020

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: D. Orr

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands accepts the 2019 annual monitoring report for the closed Howland/Green Bay Landfill and the Closed Little Current Landfill sites.

Carried

Resolution No. 66-03-2020

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: D. Orr

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does now adjourn at 8:19pm.

Carried

Al MacNevin Mayor

Pam Cress Clerk