# The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills

## **Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

## Tuesday, March 1, 2022

The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills Council met for the Regular Council Meeting via Zoom. Reeve Ken Noland and Councillors, Martin Ainslie, Penny Palonen, Wayne L. Bailey and Arthur F. Hayden were in attendance. Lynn Jackes, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Shane Chatwell, Road Superintendent, and Tim Bailey, Bylaw Enforcement Officer were also in attendance. Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk-Treasurer recorded the minutes.

The Meeting was called to Order by Reeve Noland at 7:30 p.m.

No conflict of interest was declared.

Motion: 2022-21

Moved By: Martin Ainslie

Seconded By: Arthur F. Hayden

THAT Council approve the Agenda for the March 1, 2022 Regular Council

Meeting with the addition of the Audit.....carried K.N.

Motion: 2022-22

Moved By: Wayne L. Bailey Seconded By: Penny Palonen

THAT Council approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 1,

2022.....carried K.N.

### Road Superintendent's Report

Shane Chatwell, Road Superintendent, advises the winter season is going smoothly and the remaining sand will be sufficient to finish off the season. A used excavator has been purchased and the machine is in good working condition. It requires a brusher head and three quotations have been provided to Council. There was discussion as to the expected delivery date of the brusher head and how the roadsides could be cut for the first round until the brusher head can be delivered.

Wayne advised Shane the permit had been approved by MTO for the installation of the Township sign

Art Hayden summarized a meeting he had with the Road Superintendent regarding the Manitoulin Road Superintendents' Association. It is the recommendation that Burpee and Mills participate with the Association on the tender for the surface treatment for the year 2022. Central Manitoulin is going independently from the Association for 2022. An update will be forthcoming re the results. Reeve Noland suggested the Association be asked to change the contract to provide an exit clause vs. a penalty. Shane advised the Road Superintendents are to meet to discuss possible contract changes.

Motion: 2022-23

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden Seconded By: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT Council has given authorization for the purchase of a 2006 Volvo Wheeled Excavator Model EW180B in the amount of \$105,000 plus

HST.....carried K.N.

Motion: 2022-24

Moved By: Martin Ainslie Seconded By: Penny Palonen

THAT Council approve the Huron Tractor quotation in the amount of \$22,000

plus hst for the Diamond DER060 Mower spec'd for the 2006 Volvo

Excavator.....carried K.N.

Motion: 2022-25

Moved By: Martin Ainslie Seconded By: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT the Road Voucher in the amount of \$136,015.14 be approved for

payment.....carried K.N.

Motion: 2022-26

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden Seconded By: Martin Ainslie

Council declares the old brusher surplus......carried K.N.

Shane Chatwell excused himself from the meeting.

## **Bylaw Enforcement Officer's Report**

Tim Bailey advised the Trailer Bylaw Letters have been going out and he is working on the Zoning Bylaw Review. Tim and Ken will meet with J.L. Richards and review the zoning bylaw information. The zoning bylaw is required to adhere to the Official Plan and Provincial Policy Statement. Art Hayden suggested it would be helpful if the zoning bylaw could be somewhat similar with other municipalities.

Tim Bailey excused himself from the meeting.

Motion: 2022-27

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden Seconded By: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT the General Voucher in the amount of \$97,480.58 be approved for

payment.....carried K.N.

Motion: 2022-28

Moved By: Martin Ainslie Seconded By: Penny Palonen

THAT the Fire Voucher in the amount of \$200.01 be approved for

payment.....carried K.N.

Motion: 2022-29

Moved By: Penny Palonen Seconded By: Martin Ainslie

THAT Council approve the Audit Plan as stated in the February 28, 2022

correspondence provided by Jakubo Chartered Professional

Accountants.....carried K.N.

### **Reports:**

#### **Fire Department:**

Wayne L. Bailey advised he had participated in 3 webinars regarding the fire department. Certification requirements are minimal level requirements for basic level firefighter positions. The Fire Marshal advises that municipalities are to set the level of service and then train for that level. There is a 4 year compliance window for this certification process. That 4 years begins July 1, 2022. Burpee and Mills requires Basic Level training but will be a costly process. Fulltime jobs do not allow enough time for certification to take place. No funding is available to municipalities for training costs. Wayne advises that all training records are to be filed in the Municipal Office for insurance purposes. The township is to be on par as far as training with other municipalities that participate in the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Wayne L. Bailey, Fire Representative, and Reeve Noland are to meet to discuss Fire Department issues, training, survey, etc. and provide a plan moving forward.

#### Airport:

Wayne L. Bailey had attended an Airport Meeting where the Draft Statement of Financial Position and Draft Operations Budget had been presented. Wayne reviewed this information with Council. The Burpee and Mills share of the Airport operating costs for 2022 is \$14,063.00.

Wayne advised there was a 17.9% increase in traffic at the airport due to flying school, ambulance and air force. The weather station has been relocated at no cost. Nav Canada is now responsible for the new approach. Wayne advised there is a need for a long term master plan for the airport. There may be funding through Fednor at 80% or \$50,000 to cover those costs. The cost to supply private hangars at the airport is being investigated. The Airport is 75 years old in 2022.

Reeve Noland advised the RFP for the new terminal building will go out in the next month or so. The cost of the building has increased by 30 to 40% so downsizing is occurring to stay within the \$2 million budget.

## Manitoulin Planning Board:

**MOTION: 2022-30** 

Moved By: Wayne L. Bailey Seconded By: Penny Palonen

THAT Council accepts the J.L. Richards Proposal and Standard Terms and Conditions for the preparation of the new Zoning Bylaw for the Township of Burpee and Mills in the amount of \$14,140.00......carried K.N.

#### POA:

Martin Ainslie advised the POA needs additional funds of \$14,700 to cover 2022 as reserve funds have been depleted. The share for Burpee and Mills is \$635.00. The POA is to forward an invoice. It had been discussed at the POA the possibility of steering away from the early resolution approach as this was actually increasing costs to the POA. Reeve Noland advised that if POA was not located in Gore Bay, municipalities are still required to pay their share of services.

#### Recreation:

Wayne L. Bailey and Arthur F. Hayden will meet with the Gym personnel to discuss the re-opening of the Gym since COVID restrictions are being lifted. Once this is determined, the information will be put into the newsletter.

### Library:

Martin Ainslie advised that fund raising options had been discussed such as "Adopt a Book Campaign" and a "Silent Auction/Harbour Days Event".

## **Waste Management:**

Penny Palonen advised that no applications were received for the Transfer Station Attendant position as advertised.

#### Newsletter:

The newsletter will go out next week once the decision for the Gym reopening has been determined.

#### Centennial Manor:

Arthur F. Hayden advised the Annual General Meeting for the Manitoulin Centennial Manor is scheduled to be held June 15<sup>th</sup> at a central location. The courtyard is to be renovated. Tenders will be going out soon for an early summer start date. There is a critical staffing shortage which is being felt by all Health Care and Long Term Home facilities. The audit was completed last week with the unaudited statements showing a small surplus. The waiting list for the manor contains approximately 30 plus names. 4 beds are still being held open as per COVID protocol.

#### DSB:

Arthur F. Hayden advised there is a surplus for 2021. The formula lawsuit has brought forth 14 motions opposing the change with 4 municipalities that have not responded.

#### **Medical Centre:**

Wayne L. Bailey advised RFP's for Medical Centre Consulting Services had been distributed to 8 firms. The Medical Ad Hoc Committee recommended one of the architectural firms for consideration by the Gore Bay Town Council at their next meeting. If it is acceptable by Council, work was to commence February 15, 2022.

MOTION: 2022-31

Moved By: Martin Ainslie

Seconded By: Arthur F. Hayden

WHEREAS the Municipality of Shuniah is requesting a resolution of support for the following motion:

THAT Council hereby supports the resolution from Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) regarding supporting the expansion of Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) to address the urgent need for physicians in Northern Ontario; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Colleges and Universities Jill Dunlop, Minister of Health Christine Elliot, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation & Trade Victor Fedeli, local MP's and MPP's, Ontario Medical Association, Northern School of Medicine, Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), all Ontario Municipalities.

The Township of Burpee and Mills supports this resolution......carried K.N.

MOTION: 2022-32

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden Seconded By: Wayne L. Bailey

THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned at 9:06 p.m.....carried K.N.

Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk-Treasurer