

# **The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills**

## **Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

### **Tuesday, March 5, 2024**

The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills Council met for the Regular Council Meeting at the Municipal Complex. Reeve Ken Noland and Councillors Arthur F. Hayden, David Deeg, Roger Morrell and Kim Middleton were in attendance. Gye Taylor, Road Superintendent and Lynn Jackes, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer were also in attendance. Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk-Treasurer, recorded the minutes.

GUESTS: Cheryl Burridge and Melanie Blain

REGRETS: Rick Graham, Fire Chief

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Reeve Noland.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Arthur F. Hayden, Agenda Item #9

#### **MOTION: 2024-33**

Moved By: Kim Middleton

Seconded By: David Deeg

THAT Council approve the Agenda for the March 5, 2024 Regular Council Meeting as amended.....carried K.N.

#### **MOTION: 2024-34**

Moved By: David Deeg

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

THAT Council approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.....carried K.N.

#### **MOTION: 2024-35**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

THAT Council approve the Minutes of the February 26, 2024 Special Council Meeting.....carried K.N.

#### **Road Superintendent's Report**

Gye Taylor advised that half load restrictions have been posted on the roads. With mild weather the drains and culverts will be monitored for obstructions to allow water to flow. Patching of potholes on all roads as required. There is enough winter sand left for next year.

There is logging taking place on McKinley Road. The Road Superintendent and David Deeg, Roads Committee Representative, inspected the area and part of the road allowance has been cleared to get the logs off the property. It was discussed with the property owner that the road allowance was not to be used for a logging yard. A copy of the policy will be forwarded to the property owner. This does not require a survey. No mess is to be left and ditches must be clean. A copy of the trailer bylaw will also be forwarded as there is a trailer at this location.

The Road Superintendent is to run the transit where the water is pooling on the north side of McKinley Road to see where the water can go.

#### **MOTION: 2024-36**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: David Deeg

THAT Council approve the Road Voucher in the amount of \$11,634.39.....carried K.N.

Arthur F. Hayden had declared a conflict of interest on the next agenda item and excused himself from the Council Chambers.

**MOTION: 2024-37**

Moved By: Kim Middleton

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

THAT Council approve the General Voucher in the amount of \$80,066.58.....carried K.N.

Arthur F. Hayden returned to the meeting.

**MOTION: 2024-38**

Moved By: David Deeg

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

THAT Council approve the Fire Voucher in the amount of \$2,256.68.....carried K.N.

**Roads Equipment Discussion**

Arthur F. Hayden, on behalf of the Roads Committee Meeting held February 27, 2024, presented a report to council. (A copy is attached to these minutes). As a result of discussions surrounding the report, the following motions were issued:

**MOTION: 2024-39**

Moved by: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: David Deeg

WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to declare the Excavator as surplus.....carried K.N.

**MOTION: 2024-40**

Moved By: David Deeg

Seconded By: Arthur F. Hayden

WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to declare the Brush Head as surplus.....carried K.N.

**MOTION: 2024-41**

Moved By: Roger Morrell

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to declare the 621 Case Loader as surplus.....carried K.N.

The Road Superintendent and the Roads Committee have been asked to research costs, etc. regarding loaders and brusher heads and bring the information back to Council for review.

**MOTION: 2024-42**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: David Deeg

WHEREAS Council has reviewed the request to open the unopened road allowance to Lot 1, Concession 11 Mills. It is the decision of Council that permission is granted once all permits are signed.....carried K.N.

**MOTION: 2024-43**

Moved By: Kim Middleton

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

WHEREAS Council has reviewed the donation request from the Town of Gore Bay for the Memorial Arena. It is the decision of Council to donate \$1,500.00 for 2024..... Carried K.N.



The Ontario Trillium Foundation Funding was discussed regarding putting a roof over the arena so the area may be used for Farmer's Markets, weddings, picnics, etc. Costing for this project has been completed and the following motions resulted:

**MOTION: 2024-44**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: David Deeg

That Council rescind the motion to apply to the Trillium Foundation for funding up to \$150,000.00.....carried K.N.

**MOTION: 2024-45**

Moved By: Kim Middleton

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

THAT Council has decided to apply for a renovation to the outdoor rink up to \$200,000 through the Ontario Trillium Foundation.....carried K.N.

**Reports:**

**Airport** – Roger Morrell advised the Airport Budget is to be presented this Thursday.

**MMA** - Reeve Noland there is an MMA Meeting scheduled in March where the OPP will attend to explain their billing model and discuss the policing board.

**MPB** – Reeve Noland advised the Budget is being worked on.

**Recreation:** Arthur F. Hayden advised the 2023 Financial Report has been distributed. A new executive has been elected for the Recreation and Wellness Committee; Chairperson – Art Hayden, Treasurer – Cora Hayden and Secretary – Melanie Blain. A Women's Day is being organized around Mother's Day with health and wellness activities.

**Library:** Kim Middleton advised the library has new computers in place.

**Manor:** Art Hayden discussed staff shortages. The manor is at maximum capacity. The budget shows as surplus.


**PSDH** - Reeve Noland advised the Sudbury Health Unit voted to merge with the Sault Ste. Marie Health Unit, however, Sault Ste. Marie voted against that merge.

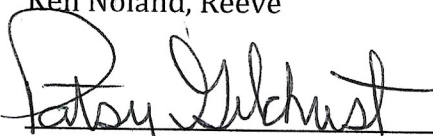
**MOTION TO ADJOURN: 2024-46**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

THAT the Regular Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:39 p.m. ....carried K.N.

  
Ken Noland, Reeve

  
Patsy Gildchrist, Clerk-Treasurer