

# **The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills Regular Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday December 3, 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 Councilors Roger Morrell, Kim Middleton, David Deeg and Arthur F. Hayden were in attendance. Lynn Jackes, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer was in attendance. Kathy Beck, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, recorded the minutes.

REGRETS: Amy McCarley, Guy Taylor and Rick Graham.

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: David Deeg Item #9 – Approval of General Vouchers  
David Deeg Item #15a) – Honess Drain invoices  
Ken Noland Item #9 – Approval of General Vouchers

## **MOTION: 2024-191**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

THAT Council approve the Agenda for the December 3, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, as amended.....carried K.N.

## **MOTION: 2024-192**

Moved By: Roger Morrell

Seconded By: David Deeg

THAT Council approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2024.....carried K.N.

## **Fire Chief's Report:**

Rick Graham, Fire Chief sent his regrets.

David Deeg reported that they are working on the Purchase List for Fire Dept. supplies.

## **Bylaw Officer's Report:**

Amy McCarley, Bylaw Officer sent her regrets.

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

Guy Taylor, Road Superintendent sent his regrets.

David Deeg reported that the sander parts came in, everything is running well.

## **MOTION: 2024-193**

Moved By: David Deeg

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

THAT the Road Voucher in the amount of \$10,337.43 be approved for payment.....carried K.N.

## **MOTION: 2024-194**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

THAT the General Voucher in the amount of \$194,687.19 be approved for payment.....carried K.N.

## **MOTION: 2024-195**

Moved By: David Deeg

Seconded By: Roger Morrell

THAT the Fire Voucher in the amount of \$10,033.67 be approved for payment.....carried K.N.

Date of Salary Review Meeting was set for December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Date of Open House for Zoning bylaw was set for February 18<sup>th</sup>.

There is no current update on the Indian Point Boat Launch.

**MOTION: 2024-196**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

THAT Council approves an increase of the Township of Burpee and Mills Corporate Master card to \$10,000.....carried K.N.

It was agreed that the North Shore Search & Rescue donation request was not a fit for our community.

The Engineers for the Honess Drain Project will determine what the billable expenses for the Project will be.

Arthur Hayden will research that if the Amish proceed with their own cemetery, that the care and maintenance is assured by the Amish. If there are any concerns, something can be placed in the zoning amendment to address said concerns.

**REPORTS:**

**Airport** – There was an Emergency Training Exercise on December 2<sup>nd</sup> with approximately 18 attendees including some doctors. It was noted that Electric Vehicles pose a hazard if they catch fire. Responders need Hazmat Suits as the fumes are very toxic.

**MMA** – Dawn McCann has been hired by the hospital as the new doctor recruiter for the Island.

**MPB** - Draft conditions passed for the Lake Mindemoya Planned Subdivision. Three archeological studies have been done and there may be more needed, decisions based on findings could be appealed.

**POA** - No meeting

**Manor** – The Budget Review will be next month. The Fundraising Campaign has been affected by the mail strike as only a portion of fund-raising letters have been able to be delivered by hand, consequently, donations will suffer. The Manor is at full occupancy. It is challenging to retain PSW's.

**Recreation & Wellness** - There was a Spaghetti dinner on Wednesday November 20<sup>th</sup>. The event was a success even though the turnout was less than previous years. The Christmas Dinner/Dance will be on Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>. The Euchre Group mentioned that the exterior lighting around the hall entrance seems dim. Solar lights were suggested to improve visibility. David Deeg will talk to our Public Works Foreman to correct the issues. There was also mention of starting some form of exercise class during the week, possibly yoga.

**Library** – The budget was passed with a 2% increase in January. They will be having a "Stories With Santa Claus" event on December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm for kids.

**Waste Management** – Roger will be doing research for program coming in the new year.

**Gore Bay Shared Services** – The arena in Gore Bay is going to require \$500,00 to \$700,000 in repairs and maintenance in the next 5 years. A new arena may need to be built in the future, possibly for the entire West End.

FONOM is offering a Sustainable Northern Ontario Economic Development course in the new year. There is no interest at this time.

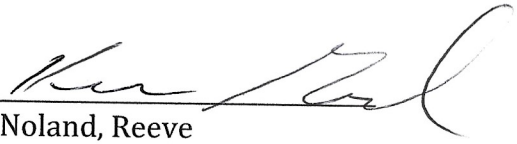
Kim Middleton volunteered to attend the Kid's Christmas Party on December 20<sup>th</sup> to represent the council at this event.

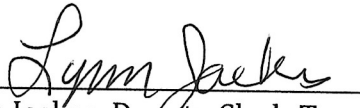
**MOTION: 2024-197**

Moved By: Arthur F. Hayden

Seconded By: Kim Middleton

THAT the Regular Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.....carried K.N.

  
Ken Noland, Reeve

  
Lynn Jackes, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer