



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2023

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moore took Roll Call.

Present: Mayor David Moore
Councillors Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen, Nick Ryeland, Debbie Zulak
Staff: Deputy Clerk, Karlee Britton

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND/OR PERSONAL INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Moved by: Councillor Haskim
Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

23-109 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby approve the Agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council as presented.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland
Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

23-110 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, as amended, move into closed session at 5:31 p.m. to discuss the following items;

- 5.1 Minutes of the Closed Sessions of Council
- 5.2 Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Municipality or local board; pursuant to Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(e) – matters subject to solicitor/client privileges.
- 5.3 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Municipal or local board employees, pursuant to Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(b) – Staffing

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim
Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

23-111 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby reconvene into open session of Council at 6:30 p.m.

Carried

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moore took Roll Call.

Present: Mayor David Moore
Councillors Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen, Nick Ryeland, Debbie Zulak
Staff: Deputy Clerk, Karlee Britton
Market Manager, Jan Gibson

RESPECT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DECLARATION

We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Anishnaabe and the Mississauga People.



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DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND/OR PERSONAL INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

- 23-112** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby accept the reports, recommendations and directions arising from the closed session held February 7, 2023.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

- 23-113** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the deputation from Debbie Woods, Chair of the McKellar Township Public Library Board and Terri Short, Librarian and CEO of the McKellar Township Public Library.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

- 23-114** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the deputation from Dr. Rebecca Pollock, Executive Director of the Georgian Bay Biosphere on behalf of the Integrated Communities Energy and Climate Action Plans (ICECAP) partnership.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

- 23-115** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby move into Committee of the Whole at 7:15 p.m. to discuss the McKellar Market with Market Manager, Jan Gibson.

Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Market Manager, Jan Gibson spoke to the McKellar Market Year End Report, obtaining an MTO land use permit for the Market at Minerva Park, the Market application process and accepting of e-transfers for payment of vendor fees, respectfully declining the McKellar 150th Sesquicentennial Committee's request to move the Market to the Community Centre on July 29, 2023, use of the Council Chambers for the Christmas Market and commented that the Market is an economic engine for the community.

Reg Moore asked if legislation has been passed to install permanent signs (no parking on the highway).

Robert Gibson commented on the process to obtain the MTO land use permit.

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

- 23-116** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby rise and report from Committee of the Whole at 8:16 p.m. and reconvene into regular session.

Carried



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Market Manager, Jan Gibson left the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

- 23-117** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2023 regular Meeting of Council; as circulated.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

- 23-118** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the letter dated January 27, 2023 from JL Richards regarding McKellar Resolution 23-93;

AND FURTHER THAT Council receives the example pre-consultation By-law for information and for further discussion at a later meeting.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

- 23-119** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Minutes of the January 26, 2023 meeting of the Township of McKellar Recreation Committee.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

- 23-120** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive Report FD-2023-04 the Adjustment of the MNRF Agreement Area for McKellar; and

FURTHER THAT Council does hereby approve the amended agreement to include new areas of coverage at a cost of approximately \$4,700.00 to the Township.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

- 23-121** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce 2023 Budget and Financial Statements as of October 31, 2022 for information purposes.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Haskim

Seconded by: Councillor Ryeland

- 23-122** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the email dated January 24, 2023 from Benjamin John of the Georgian Bay Biosphere regarding EV Charging Station Funding Opportunities.

Carried



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Moved by: Councillor Ryeland

Seconded by: Councillor Haskim

23-123 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby support Municipality of McDougall Resolution No. 2023-09;

WHEREAS McDougall and Nobel Public Schools currently provide a safe rural community learning environment for the Municipalities of McDougall, Carling, McKellar, The Archipelago North, and the Shawanaga First Nation; and

WHEREAS Parry Sound High School (PSHS) currently serves the West Parry Sound area as a regional high school; and

WHEREAS all three schools are currently located in central locations to serve their respective catchment areas very well and provide community hubs in their current locations; and

WHEREAS all three schools are in need of major upgrading or replacement; and

WHEREAS the current Near North District School Board (NNDSB) proposal to replace all three schools as a single building including portable classrooms on a single site for JK to 12 does not have the support of the community, and was based on a flawed and outdated Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) process from 2013; and

WHEREAS no building design can overcome the inherent poor safety and learning environment for the elementary students; and

WHEREAS numerous recent lockdowns at the PSHS demonstrate the potential for risk if elementary students had been present in the same building; and

WHEREAS a single site does not provide the community hub functions that benefit the education process for elementary students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NNDSB abandon the current proposal that has been delayed for the past 10 years; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NNDSB with support and proper input from the parents of the students affected and local municipal governments replace Nobel and McDougall Public Schools with at least one new elementary school in McDougall, and a new High School in the Town of Parry Sound.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-124 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive Township of Carling Resolution to appoint representatives to the Parry Sound District Municipal Association Executive, the Parry Sound Emergency Services Advisory Committee and the District Social Services Administration Board.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-125 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Conference notice and agenda for the 2023 Good Roads Conference; and



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FURTHER THAT the following persons be authorized to attend, with all applicable expenses incurred to be paid by the Township: Director of Operations, Greg Gostick.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-126 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the Ombudsman Report dated January 2023 by Paul Dubé for the investigation into complaints about meetings held for the Township of McKellar on August 24, August 31, and September 9, 2021, and April 12, 2022 for information purposes.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-127 **WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar passed By-law No. 2000-11 to appoint the Chief Building Official for the Municipality of Whitestone as the Deputy Chief Building Official for the Township of McKellar; and

WHEREAS the terms of the appointment may be amended from time to time by a Resolution of Council with the agreement with the Municipality of Whitestone;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Terms of Appointment attached to By-law No. 2000-11 as Schedule 'A' are hereby amended as per the attached Schedule 'A'; and

FURTHER THAT the 2022 Invoice No. 2022-28 to the Municipality of Whitestone for shared CBO services be amended to the payment rate as set out in Resolution 17-349; and

FURTHER THAT payment of the Municipality of Whitestone invoices 45-2022 and 60-2022 be amended to the effective payment rate; and

FURTHER THAT the Municipality of Whitestone be requested to provide a copy of the Resolution that has been approved at the rate of \$45.18 for CBO services; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of By-law No. 2000-11 and amended Schedule "A" be sent to the Municipality of Whitestone.

Schedule 'A' to Resolution 2023-127

Pursuant to Section 2 of By-law 2000-11, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar hereby amends Schedule 'A' to By-law No. 2000-11 as follows:

1. Remove:

"Compensation for services will be paid at the rate of \$25.00 per hour to the Municipality of Whitestone. Invoices for services rendered will be submitted to the Township of McKellar on a monthly basis. Mileage charges from the McKellar Municipal Office for field inspections shall be paid by the Township of McKellar directly to the Deputy Chief Building Official upon submission of expense sheets"

Replace with:

"Compensation for services will be paid at the CBO's wage rate effective the date the service is rendered. Invoices will be submitted to the Township of McKellar on a monthly basis. Mileage charges from the McKellar Municipal Office for field inspections shall be invoiced at the rate at which is current on the date of the inspection."

Carried



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Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-128 **WHEREAS** the Lake Stewardship & Environmental Committee asked the Township to provide the committee with possible sites where a 7ft x 7ft pollinator patch could be installed on Township property; and

WHEREAS the committee has provided the Township with three sites where they would like to install the pollinator patches;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby approve of pollinator patches being installed at Fire Station 2 (Hurdville Road), Hemlock Church and Lakeside Boat Ramp.

Deferred

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-129 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby direct staff to purchase Transfer Station identification stickers for ratepayer's vehicle windshield; and

FURTHER THAT two stickers be prepared and included with the April tax bills; and

FURTHER THAT sticker replacement costs and costs of additional stickers will be at cost.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-130 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby direct staff to update and purchase a new "Rules & Regulations" sign at the Transfer Station after Council's review of the Transfer Station By-law.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-131 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby direct staff to prepare a By-law for the next Regular Meeting of Council to change the Donation/Grant Policy submission date to: May 1st annually and to modify submission information accordingly.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-132 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby support the appointment of McDougall Councillor, Joel Constable, as a Municipal Representative to the Parry Sound District Social Services Administration Board for the 2022 to 2026 term of Council, to represent the Township of Carling, the

Municipality of McDougall, the Municipality of Whitestone and the Township of McKellar (Area 3);

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 22-487 (Nov. 15, 2022), wherein Councillor Morley Haskim was nominated as a representative, is hereby rescinded.

Carried



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Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-133 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby support the appointment of McDougall Councillor, Joel Constable, as a Municipal Representative to the EMS Advisory Committee for the 2022 to 2026 term of Council, to represent the Township of Carling, the Municipality of McDougall, the Municipality of Whitestone and the Township of McKellar;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 22-492 (Nov. 15, 2022) and Resolution No. 23-88 (Jan. 24, 2023), wherein Councillor Nick Ryeland was nominated as the representative, are hereby rescinded.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-134 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby appoint Owen Wilson and JP Claveau as Probationary Volunteer Firefighters with the McKellar Volunteer Fire Department at the recommendation of Fire Chief Robert Morrison.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-135 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law 2023-17, being a By-law to Erect Stop Signs at the Intersection of Hurdville Road and Blackwater Road, resulting in a 4-way stop, a First and Second reading.

DIVISION VOTE

YEAS – Councillor Ryeland, Councillor Zulak and Mayor Moore

NAYS – Councillor Haskim, Councillor Kekkonen

ABSTAIN – None.

ABSENT – None.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-136 **WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar gave By-law 2022-42, being a By-law to establish and regulate a Fire Department within the Township of McKellar, a First and Second Reading on August 9, 2022; and

WHEREAS Resolution No. 22-311 cited the By-law be reviewed by legal representation and has been done so by Russell Christie LLP;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law 2022-42, being a By-law to establish and regulate a Fire Department within the Township of McKellar a **Third** reading and **Passed** in Open Council this 7th day of February, 2023.

Deferred



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Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

23-137 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby receive the consent agenda for correspondence.

Carried

QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD (RELATED TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA)

There were no questions.

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-138 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby give By-law No. 2023-18, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, a First and Second reading;

And Further Read a Third time and Passed in Open Council this 7th day of February, 2023.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Zulak

Seconded by: Councillor Kekkonen

23-139 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar adjourn this meeting at 11:00 p.m. to meet again on February 21, 2023, or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

David Moore, Mayor

Karlee Britton, Deputy Clerk