

**THE CORPORATION OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2018 5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

PRESENT Mayor Jennifer Murphy
Deputy Mayor Meredith Jamieson
Councillor Jackie Agnew
Councillor Merv Buckwald
Councillor Bob Peltzer
CAO Bryan Martin

REGRETS None

GALLERY None

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Jennifer Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

ADDITIONS/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

18.014 MOVED BY Bob Peltzer
SECONDED BY Meredith Jamieson

That: The agenda be accepted as amended/presented. Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes from February 6, 2018 Regular Meeting for approval.

18.015 MOVED BY Merv Buckwald
SECONDED BY Bob Peltzer

THAT: The minutes of the regular council meeting held on February 6, 2018, as amended/presented be hereby adopted. Carried

DELEGATION - None

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) Township of Norwich – Ontario Building Code Amendments
- (ii) St. Patrick's Day Parade – Douglas March 10, 2018

(C) Correspondence "C"

18.016 MOVED BY Merv Buckwald
SECONDED BY Jackie Agnew

THAT: the Correspondence be filed. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE

(1) Marijuana Tax Revenue

18.017 MOVED BY Merv Buckwald
SECONDED BY Bob Peltzer

WHEREAS marijuana will soon be available for purchase through retail outlets in Canada;

WHEREAS the sale of marijuana will generate new tax revenues;

WHEREAS the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario have been actively discussing how to distribute the new tax revenues generated by the sale of marijuana;

WHEREAS the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario have thus far not agreed to distribute any of the new tax revenues generated by the sale of marijuana to municipalities directly;

WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for critical infrastructure projects, such as roads, bridges, water treatment and delivery of potable water;

WHEREAS municipalities face a significant challenge in funding critical infrastructure projects and have limited options for increasing revenues, aside from raising property taxes, which negatively impacts all taxpayers; and

WHEREAS the new tax revenues generated from the sale of marijuana, could be used to offset infrastructure cost of municipalities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario be urged to allocate a proportionate share of the new tax revenues generated from the sale of marijuana, to municipalities directly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario be urged to create a fund, similar to the Gas Tax Fund and the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund, from the new tax revenues generated by the sale of marijuana, to provide funding to municipalities for infrastructure projects;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this motion be sent to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Andrew Scheer, Leader of the Conservative Party of Canada, Mr. Jagmeet Singh, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Canada, Ms. Elizabeth May, Leader of the Green Party of Canada, the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Honourable Vic Fedeli, Interim Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario, Ms. Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Ontario, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their consideration.

cc: Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario
cc: Mr. Andrew Scheer, Leader of the Conservative Party of Canada
cc: Mr. Jagmeet Singh, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Canada
cc: Ms. Elizabeth May, Leader of the Green Party of Canada
cc: Honourable Vic Fedeli, Interim Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario
cc: Honourable Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Ontario
cc: Federal of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Carried

(2) Eganville Horticultural Society Donation

18.018 MOVED BY Meredith Jamieson
SECONDED BY Jackie Agnew

THAT: The Council of the Township of Bonnechere Valley donate \$1000 to the Eganville Horticultural Society for the spring planting in the Village of Eganville.

BYLAWS

18.019 MOVED BY Bob Peltzer
SECONDED BY Meredith Jamieson

THAT:

- (1)** By-Law 2018-008 Being a By-Law to place a question on the ballot for the 2018 municipal election;
- (2)** By-Law 2018-009 Being a By-Law to authorize the permanent closing and purchasing of the shoreline road allowance – Mulroy
- (3)** By-Law 2018-010 Being a By-Law to authorize the permanent closing and purchasing of the shoreline road allowance – Mulroy
- (4)** By-Law 2018-011 Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

BE READ A FIRST TIME, BE DEEMED READ A SECOND TIME, BE DEEMED READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED.

Carried

ACCOUNTS RESOLUTION

18.020 MOVED BY Jackie Agnew
SECONDED BY Bob Peltzer

THAT: the accounts for the month of **February** in the amount of **\$401,140.76** be paid from the Bank of Montreal Eganville Branch.

Carried

MEDIA SESSION None

CLOSED

ADJOURNMENT

18.021 MOVED BY Meredith Jamieson
SECONDED BY Merv Buckwald

THAT: This Council meeting be adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Carried

Mayor Jennifer Murphy

CAO Bryan Martin