

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2020 1:30 P.M.**

PRESENT **Mayor Jennifer Murphy
Deputy Mayor Jack Roesner
Councillor Merv Buckwald
Councillor Brent Patrick
Councillor Tim Schison
CAO Annette Gilchrist
Deputy CAO Sandra Barr**

REGRETS **None**

GALLERY **8**

CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair, Jennifer Murphy called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED BY **Brent Patrick**

That: the agenda be accepted as presented. Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF – None Declared

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY **Tim Schison**

That: the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on November 3, 2020 be accepted as presented. Carried

DELEGATIONS

Shannon Edwards is planning a Virtual Christmas Party for December 19th, 2020. Committee agreed to have it streamed on the Townships social media platforms.

REPORTS

Recreation and Culture

Kevin McGrath, Manager of Recreation and Culture, was present and gave his report.

- a) Arena – Minor hockey continues. There are controlled scrimmages scheduled to start in District 5 on November 16, 2020;
- b) Public skating started with low numbers for the first three sessions. The last session had 50 people in attendance so staff locked the door once capacity was reached;
- c) Legion Field – Cement pad was formed and poured for under the ball field bleachers;
- d) Centennial Park – Two dead trees were removed and the outdoor rink was cleaned of debris;
- e) Outdoor Rink – Committee directed Kevin McGrath to have Covid-19 signage prepared for the outdoor rink. The sign will state that it is an unmonitored site, only ten allowed on ice at a time, and to use at own risk;
- f) Planters – The Eganville Horticultural Society beautified the Village by decorating the cement planters with Christmas displays;
- g) Tree Lighting – The tree lighting of the tree at the Tourist Booth will take place on Friday November 27, 2020 at 6:30pm. The lights on the bridge will be up at that time also;
- h) Eganville & District Senior Needs Association – Committee waived the fee for the board advertisement at the area for the group;
- i) JrB Team – Committee agreed to allow spectators for the JrB games upstairs in

- the Eagles Nest. Physical distancing rules to apply; and
- j) Funding Opportunities – Application being prepared to the Resilient Communities Fund for upgrading of appliances in the kitchen for the Eganville Curling Club; Application being prepared to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream under the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation component. Also to the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility – Inclusive Community Grants: The grant will support activities and expenses that are directly associated with the development, implementation and the evaluation of location Age Friendly Community action plans.
- Recreation, Community Development and Planning Report Received.*

Administration

Annette Gilchrist, CAO, was present and gave her report.

- a) The October financial reports are in your packages;
- b) The two new flag poles at the Municipal Office have been installed. A thank-you to the Roads Department;
- c) The Senior Leadership Team met on October 30th and will meet again November 25th with meetings to take place the Wednesday after each Council meeting at 1pm going forward. Staff will discuss one item from the Organizational Review each meeting and work towards improving collaboration and sharing concerns across departments;
- d) 2021 Budget – Water & Sewer budget is to be completed at the end of November for Council consideration on December 16th 2020. Other budgets to be reviewed by the CAO in December and to be presented at a Budget meeting in late January or early February so that tenders for projects can happen early to get the best prices and have an earlier start to the construction season;
- e) Operational Review – Committee reviewed the recommendations of staff for Administration, Asset Management and Council;
- f) Algonquins Proposed Land Settlement – The Township will be providing comments to the Province regarding access as some of the lands are not accessible except by a private road or a county forest road for which the properties proposed may not have access rights to. There is also concern regarding the property added this year parcel 58C which may not be suitable for the proposed use of providing access to the island properties on Lake Clear due to access and topography concerns. The public can also submit comments through the consultation process;
- g) By-Law – The property on Constant Lake is working on zoning compliance with most concerns having been addressed this fall. The CBO continues to assist us with parking issues and our part time Animal Control Officer remains busy at the Pound. In early 2021 staff will review the fees and agreements for the Pound and Animal Control Services. Committee reviewed and discussed a draft recreational vehicle by-law. The CAO will make changes to the by-law and bring back the revised draft for further discussion and review;
- h) Health & Safety – Deputy CAO Sandra Barr and Administrative Assistant Erica Rice virtually attended Health & Safety training last week. The Committee will be meeting on November 23rd; and
- i) Emergency Management – On Tuesday November 10th at approximately 10:30 a.m. all 37 residents along with staff of the Fairfields Senior Living Residence were evacuated to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 353 after high levels of Carbon Monoxide were detected in the building. They returned to Fairfields safely at approximately 4:20 p.m. A big thank you to Bonnechere Valley Fire Department and Community Emergency Management Coordinator, Renfrew County Paramedics, The Legion Branch 353, Fairfield Board and Staff, Pat Aubrey and all the community members who were there to offer their assistance and support.

Report and Financial Report Received.

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

- (i) Marianhill Lottery

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) Township of Huron-Kinloss – Heritage Act
- (ii) Township of Huron-Kinloss – Municipal Elections Act
- (iii) MYFM – Project Poinsettia
- (iv) Municipality of St. Charles – Reliable Affordable Internet
- (v) Township of Amaranth – Municipal Elections Act
- (vi) City of Hamilton - Amending the AGCO Licensing and Application Process for Cannabis Retail Stores
- (vii) Algonquin Land Claim Proposed Settlement Lands

(C) Correspondence "C"

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1)** National Disaster Mitigation Program Intake 6 – Committee recommends staff reach out to the neighboring Townships to see if they would be interested in collaborating on a joint application for mapping the flood plains. The grant application is due on December 1st, 2020, and provides for 50% funding.

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday December 1, 2020 at 1:30 pm

December 1, 2020 Tim Schison is the Deputy Mayor. Tim Schison will Chair the first meeting of the month and Brent Patrick will Chair the second meeting of the month.

MEDIA SESSION

CONCLUSION

MOVED BY **Tim Schison**

That: the meeting adjourn at 4:35 p.m.

Carried

Jennifer Murphy, Chair

Annette Gilchrist, CAO