MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN FINANCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MINUTES – March 17, 2022

A video meeting of the Finance & Economic Development Committee was held on March 17, 2022 with the following in attendance:

Chair Scott, Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors Diebolt, D. Stephens, Tribinevicius, CDOC M Mohr, By-Law Officer S. Meert, Treasurer D. Deforge and eleven members of the public.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: R. STEPHENS and TRIBINEVICIUS

That the agenda be approved with the following addition: 9 b) POA Motion...carried.

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That the minutes of the last regular Finance and Economic Development Committee meeting of February 17, 2022 be approved as presented...carried.

MOTION: R. STEPHENS and TRIBINEVICIUS

That the Finance and Economic Development Committee accepts the February 12, 2022 to March 14, 2022 report of the Community Development Outreach Coordinator...carried.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That we accept the minutes of the Central Manitoulin Trail Committee for March 14, 2022...carried.

MOTION: R. STEPHENS and SCOTT

That we recommend to Council to void the contract with Manitoulin Timber Frames for the Lych gate project based on an unexpected increase in cost projections...carried.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That the Finance and Economic Development Committee accepts the Tax Arrears List as of March 15, 2022...carried.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That we recommend to Council to approve the year-to-date financial report ending February 28, 2022 for the Finance and Economic Development Committee...carried.

The committee discussed the Memo from the By-Law Officer on the STA By-Law.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That we accept the memo from the By-Law Officer S. Meert regarding the Short-Term Accommodation By-Law and we direct staff to alter the draft by-law with the changes as discussed...carried.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That we recommend to Council to approve the cheque register for the month of February 2022 in the amount of \$609,188.30...carried.

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MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That we accept the following minutes of the Manitoulin Planning Board: Public meeting – February 22, 2022...carried.

The committee discussed the letter from Mr. Frank regarding an electric vehicle charging station.

The committee discussed the POA.

MOTION: TRIBINEVICIUS and R. STEPHENS

That we recommend to Council to pass the following motion:

Whereas the Town of Gore Bay on behalf of the Board of Management known as the District of Manitoulin Provincial Offences Act (POA) Management Board has entered into an agreement with the Attorney General of Ontario to oversee the administration and prosecution relating to proceedings commenced under Parts I and II of the POA Act and the administration of Part III;

And whereas the cost of providing the service has outpaced the revenue generated from the services provided;

And whereas downward trends occurring in the balance between revenue and expenses stem from ongoing systemic issues in the tickets and court processes that were becoming evident prior to the advent of COVID-19 issues;

And whereas the administration and prosecution of Provincial Offences is a Provincial responsibility that should not be subsidized by the municipalities through local property taxation;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of Central Manitoulin petitions the Province of Ontario to adequately fund the operation the POA and reimburse the Board of Management for current and past deficits...carried.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Councillor Scott at 8:47 p.m.