

MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 11, 2022

Attending: Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors Diebolt, Johnston, Scott, Shaffer, D. Stephens and Tribinevicius, along with the CAO/Clerk, the Chief Building Official, one member of the press and two members of the public.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

**208-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Scott**

That the agenda be approved as presented.....carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

**209-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Tribinevicius**

That the minutes of the last regular meeting of June 23, 2022 be approved.....carried.

**210-2022 MOTION: Shaffer and Tribinevicius**

That By-law 2022-15, being a by-law to amend Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07, be given its first reading.....carried.

The Mayor requested a recorded vote on the following motion.

**211-2022 MOTION: Diebolt and Shaffer**

That Council authorize the chat feature on the ZOOM platform be shut off during Committee and Council meetings.....**failed**.

Yea: R. Stephens

Nay: Tribinevicius  
Diebolt  
Scott  
Shaffer  
Johnston  
D. Stephens

**212-2022 MOTION: Shaffer and Diebolt**

That By-law 2022-13, being a by-law to establish a Right to Disconnect Policy for the Municipality of Central Manitoulin, be given its three readings and be duly passed.....carried.

**213-2022 MOTION: Scott and D. Stephens**

That By-law 2022-14, being a by-law to delegate certain authorities during a restricted authority “Lame Duck” Council period, be given its three readings and be duly passed.....carried.

**214-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Scott**

That Council endorse the following motion from the City of Cambridge:

**WHEREAS** the cost of municipal insurance in the Province of Ontario has continued to increase with especially large increases going into 2022; and

**WHEREAS** Joint and Several Liability continues to ask property taxpayers to carry the lion’s share of a damage award when a municipality is found at minimum fault; and

**WHEREAS** these increases are unsustainable and unfair and eat at critical municipal services; and

**WHEREAS** the Association of Municipalities of Ontario outlined seven recommendations to address insurance issues including:

1. That the Provincial Government adopt a model of full proportionate liability to replace joint and several liability.
2. Implement enhancements to the existing limitations period including the continued applicability of the existing 10-day rule on slip and fall cases given recent judicial interpretations and whether a 1-year limitation period may be beneficial.
3. Implement a cap for economic loss awards.

4. Increase the catastrophic impairment default benefit limit to \$2 million and increase the third-party liability coverage to \$2 million in government regulated automobile insurance plans.
5. Assess and implement additional measures which would support lower premiums or alternatives to the provision of insurance services by other entities such as non-profit insurance reciprocals.
6. Compel the insurance industry to supply all necessary financial evidence including premiums, claims and deductible limit changes which support its own and municipal arguments as to the fiscal impact of joint and several liability.
7. Establish a provincial and municipal working group to consider the above and put Forward recommendations to the Attorney General.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council for the Municipality of Central Manitoulin call on the Province of Ontario to immediately review these recommendations despite COVID-19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities and  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this motion be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance, the Attorney General, all Ontario municipalities.....carried.

**215-2022 MOTION: Diebolt and Tribinevicius**

That Council approves the Donation record up to June 22, 2022 .....carried.

**216-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Scott**

That Council approves the year-to-date financial report of the Office and Administration Committee ending May 31, 2022 .....carried.

**217-2022 MOTION: Scott and Shaffer**

That Council authorize the CAO/Clerk to sign a letter of offer of employment, as directed by the CAO/Clerk hiring Committee, on behalf of the Municipal Council.....carried.

**218-2022 MOTION: Tribinevicius and D. Stephens**

That Council authorizes the CAO/Clerk to sign the grant agreement between the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities and the Municipality of Central Manitoulin and Manitoulin Islands Transit Cooperative Inc. for the Rural Transit Solutions Fund Grant.....**failed**.

**219-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Tribinevicius**

That Council request a meeting with Joahna Berti, Executive Director of the United Manitoulin Island Transportation, to answer question regarding the Rural Transit Solutions Fund Grant.....carried.

**220-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Diebolt**

That Council authorize Townline Road bridge be closed to vehicle traffic and that its replacement be budgeted for in 2023.....carried.

**223-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Scott**

That Council authorizes the Road Superintendent to place a “ No Exit” sign at the beginning of Mill Road where it intersects with the Silver Bay Road.....carried.

**224-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Johnston**

That Council authorizes the Road Superintendent to place a “ No Exit” sign at the junction of Pleasant View Terrace and Island View Trail.....carried.

**225-2022 MOTION: Tribinevicius and Diebolt**

That Council approves the year-to-date financial report for the Road Committee ending July 31, 2022 .....carried.

**226-2022 MOTION: Shaffer and Tribinevicius**

That Council approves the year-to-date financial report ending July 31, 2022 for the Water, Waste and Education Committee .....carried.

**227-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Diebolt**

That Council accepts the Discovery Centre Board Minutes dated May 11, 2022...carried.

**228-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Tribinevicius**

That Council accepts the following Library Board Minutes:

- 2021 12 02
- 2022 01 11 Special Meeting
- 2022 03 05
- 2022 04 07
- 2022 05 05
- 2022 06 09.....carried.

**229-2022 MOTION: Johnston and Diebolt**

That Council authorize staff to proceed with mold mitigation as out lined in the Tulloch Engineering for the Mindemoya Community Centre up to a cost of 70k, and further, that the mould mitigation process will not interrupt any already booked events at the Mindemoya Community Centre.....carried.

**230-2022 MOTION: D. Stephens and Johnston**

That Council approves the designated dog area at Providence Bay Beach as a permanent feature.....carried.

**231-2022 MOTION: Johnston and D. Stephens**

That Council supports in principle the request from the Providence Bay and Spring Bay Lion's Club to have a permanent Den space in a municipal facility per their letter of request dated July 15, 2022, and that Council direct staff to find an appropriate location, and that a lease be prepared once a suitable location is found.....carried.

**232-2022 MOTION: Scott and Diebolt**

That Council approves the year-to-date expense report for the Property Committee dated 2022 07 31 as presented.....carried.

**233-2022 MOTION: Scott and D. Stephens**

That any action taken at tonight's meeting which may require a by-law be so authorized by Council .....carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m. on motion made by Councillor Scott.

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MAYOR

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CLERK

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Thursday, August 11, 2022.

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Clerk

