

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 14, 2021

7:00 P.M. – ZOOM MEETING

Attending: Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors Diebolt, Johnston, Scott, Shaffer, D. Stephens and Tribinevicius, along with the Clerk, two members of the press and eleven observers.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 7:00 p.m.

01-21 MOTION: D. Stephens and Johnston

That the agenda be approved with the addition of items 7.a. Mayor's Zoom meeting-re: update on roll out of Covid-19 Vaccination plans, 7. b. LAMBAC/Blue Sky Net call for committee members re: highspeed internet.....carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

02-21 MOTION: Tribinevicius and Scott

That the minutes of the last regular meeting of Council held on December 17, 2020 be approved.....carried.

03-21 MOTION: Scott and Tribinevicius

That Council accepts the monitoring report for the Providence Bay Landfill as prepared by Wood Environment and Infrastructure Solutions.....carried.

04-21 MOTION: D. Stephens and Diebolt

That Council accepts the monitoring report for the Mindemoya Landfill as prepared by Wood Environment and Infrastructure Solutions.....carried.

05-21 MOTION: Tribinevicius and Shaffer

That Council accepts the inspection report for the System A Drain as prepared by Tulloch Engineering.....carried.

06-21 MOTION: D. Stephens and Johnston

That Council accepts the 2021 Budget of the Library Board having a \$60,000 municipal transfer and a library reserve transfer of \$14,865.....carried.

07-21 MOTION: Tribinevicius and Scott

That Council approves the year-to-date financial report ending December 31, 2020 for the Water, Waste and Education Committee as presented.....carried.

08-21 MOTION: D. Stephens and Diebolt

That Council approves an expenditure of up to \$200 (50% of which is eligible to claim on the MEP grant) to purchase a composter to give away in a draw for participating in the Climate Change committee survey.....carried.

09-21 MOTION: Shaffer and Tribinevicius

That Council approves an expenditure of up to \$400 (50% of which is eligible to claim on the MEP grant) to advertise for the community survey in the Manitoulin Expositor and Recorder.....carried.

10-21 MOTION: D. Stephens and Johnston

That Council requests staff prepare an estimate of total cost required to implement a public beach area at the Municipal Property located in front of Idyll Glen that includes parking spaces as pictured, picnic tables, garbage cans and any other necessary items, and that staff bring this estimate to Council for consideration at the January 2021 budget meeting.....carried.

11-21 MOTION: Tribinevicius and Diebolt

Be it resolved that The Municipality of Central Manitoulin directs staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for Improving Asset Management Inventory and Condition data focusing on Central Manitoulin's Municipal roads (440 lane km's) and Building Infrastructure. Be it therefore resolved that the Municipality of Central Manitoulin commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

- To hire an external contractor to update our asset inventory to address any gaps or missing asset classes, and to collect updated condition data, with a particular focus on Municipal road and building infrastructure.
- To have the same contractor assist staff to update existing Asset Management policies/ internal procedures, to create a consistent internal process across key staff in order to maintain updated data in future, and to create roadmap for future improvements.
- To provide Introductory training for key municipal staff responsible for implementing Asset Management Strategies.

Be it further resolved that the Municipality of Central Manitoulin commits \$12,400 from its budget toward the costs of this initiative (20% of project costs) and that staff apply to FCM MAMP program for funds in the amount of \$49,600 (80% of project costs) to complete these activities.....carried.

12-21 MOTION: Johnston and Diebolt

That Council approves the Providence Bay Arena be closed for ice rentals and that the equipment be shut down for the remainder of the winter season due to reduced use caused by COVID-19 restrictions.....carried.

13-21 MOTION: Scott and Tribinevicius

That Council accepts the year-to-date expense report 2020 12 31 for the Property Committee as presented.....carried.

Unfinished Business:

The proposal made by Maja Mielonen for an ice rink for skating/hockey and a linear skating track and a groomed cross-country trail and a skate ski strip all on Lake Mindemoya was next discussed by Council. The consensus of Council was that this was not the year to do this, as the ice has been very thin so far this season, and Council had concerns about putting staff and equipment on lake ice. These issues will be returned to the Central Manitoulin Trail Committee for further considerations.

Communications:

-The Mayor acknowledged an email from Mike Addison of LAMBAC requesting the appointment of a member of the public to sit on a committee with Blue Sky Net to give input on highspeed internet for this area. The Clerk will discuss this with the CDOC.

-The Mayor attended a Zoom meeting with the Premier of Ontario, General Hillier and the Provincial Ministers to updated Council on COVID-19 vaccinations across Ontario.

New Business:

Council discussed the roles and responsibilities of Council members regarding support of Council decisions.

14-21 MOTION: Johnston and Shaffer

That Council permit Councillor D. Stephens to put forward a motion that was not on tonight's agenda that calls for the Mayors resignation.....carried.

15-22 MOTION: D. Stephens and Shaffer

That Council call for the resignation of Mayor R. Stephens.....Motion withdrawn.

16-21 MOTION: Shaffer and Diebolt

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

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Councillor Scott at 9:00 p.m.

Mayor - Richard Stephens

Clerk – Ruth Frawley

I, _____, Clerk of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the minutes of a meeting of Council held on Thursday, January 14, 2021.

Clerk