

# THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT <u>Minutes of the Council Meeting</u> Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 6:00 pm Township Council Chambers, 27 Barr Road S.

PRESENT Lennox Smith, Mayor

Ursula Abbott
David Farrar
Darren McClelland
Ruth Wigmore

STAFF: Carol Trainor, Clerk

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the regular Council meeting to order sat 6:00 pm The Clerk noted that a draft report of the Landfill Committee was circulated, along with a report from the Road Superintendent.

## 2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

#### 3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

a. Minutes of the Council meeting held July 20, 2022.

Resolution No: 2022 – 102

Moved by: D. Farrar Seconded by: D. McClelland

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Council meeting held July 20, 2022 be adopted as

circulated. Carried

#### 4. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

#### 5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

a. Financial Statements for the month of July, 2022

Resolution No: 2022 – 103

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that the financial statements for the month of July, 2022 be approved.

Carried

# 6. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Existing and Proposed Agricultural Designations

Council reviewed the maps showing current and proposed Agricultural designations, and agreed that Map C showing a slight increase of rural lands would be beneficial for the municipality.



Resolution No: 2022 - 104

Moved by: D. Farrar Seconded by: D. McClelland

Be it resolved that the report from the Administrative/Planning Assistant regarding

proposed Agricultural Designated Lands be received; and

That Council affirms that the Proposed Agricultural Lands shown on the attached map "B" be forwarded to the Planner, via the Planning Board, to be included in the draft Official

Plan. Carried

## b. Roads Department - M. Pigeon

Councillor Abbott commented on the WI Park and the positive feedback she has been receiving; however, there is clear evidence of recreational vehicles tearing up the ground and suggested that getting the fencing in place is key to it's maintenance. Council also discussed the possibility of a gate to keep vehicles out of the park during off hours.

Resolution No: 2022 - 105

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that the report provided by the Road Superintendent dated August 17,

2022 be received.

Carried

## c. Christmas Closure Request

Resolution No: 2022 - 106

Moved by: D. Farrar Seconded by: D. McClelland

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk regarding Christmas Closures be received;

and

That Council authorizes the closure of the municipal office from the close of business on

Friday, December 23 until 9 am on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

Carried

## d. Clerk's Report - C. Trainor

Resolution No: 2022 - 107

Moved by: R. Wigmore Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that the report from the Clerk/CAO dated August 17, 2022 be received; and That Council authorizes the Clerk to continue to work with the other area Clerks to secure a broker for the employee benefits program; and

That Council authorizes the Clerk and the Treasurer to continue to negotiate with Circular Materials Ontario (CMO) for reasonable reimbursement of recycling rates following transition.

Carried

As a result of the discussion about the landfill committee, the amount of garbage coming into the landfill, and the high cost of waste management, Council felt that the implementation of a bag limit would be helpful to reduce the amount of bagged waste, and would also encourage recycling.



e. Draft report of the Landfill Committee meeting held August 15, 2022

Resolution No: 2022 - 108

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: R. Wigmore

Be it resolved that the draft report of the Landfill Committee meeting held August 15, 2022

be received; and

That Council supports the recommendation to reduce landfill hours on December 24 and

31 to 9 am to 1 pm, to be widely publicized.

Carried

Resolution No: 2022 - 109

Moved by: R. Wigmore Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that the Council of The Township of Tarbutt recommends implementing a two bag per week limit on garbage in clear bags at the Johnson Tarbutt Landfill, effective

January 2023.

Carried

## 7. BY-LAWS

a. Draft Notice Provisions By-law

As required under Section 270 of the Municipal Act, a Notice Provisions by-law was passed in 2003, but did not reference current technology or social media methods for providing Notice to the public. The old by-law will be repealed when the draft by-law is returned to the next meeting for passing.

Resolution No: 2022 - 110

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: R. Wigmore

Be it resolved that the draft Notice Provision By-law be reviewed and given first reading,

to be brought back to the September 21, 2022 Council meeting.

Carried

## 8. INFORMATION/ CONSENT AGENDA

a. Notice of Proposed Speed Limit Changes

Resolution from the Township of Mulmur
 Re: Climate Emergency Declaration

c. Letter from the Solicitor General of Ontario

Re: Updated Provincial Animal Welfare Services (PAWS) Act, 2019

Notice regarding changes to legislation regarding dogs that are kept outside will be included in the next newsletter.

d. Resolution from the Township of Nairn and Hyman

Re: Support Tarbutt resolution regarding the Northern Ontario Health Crisis



e. Resolution from the Town of Aylmer

Re: Provincial funding to develop uniform responses to extreme heat and cold events

f. Letter from the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility

Re: Accepting nominations for the 2022 Ontario Senior Achievement Award

Council discussed some potential nominees who are deserving of recognition.

g. Letter from Ontario Sheep Farmers

Re: Livestock Guardian Dogs

h. Letter from the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council

Re: Firefighter Certification

- i. Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition Newsletter, Summer 2022
- j. Public Notice of St. Joseph Island Official Plan Open House
- k. Accelerated High Speed Internet Program from Infrastructure Ontario
   Re: Broadband One Window (BOW) Fact Sheet

Resolution No: 2022 – 111

Moved by: R. Wigmore Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that items a through k on the Consent Agenda dated August 17, 2022 be

received. Carried

#### 9. OTHER BUSINESS

Council agreed to defer the Roads Tour until the fall.

WI Park entrance sign has been ordered; no delivery date is known at this time but staff will follow up. Directional signs should be ordered for MacLennan and Government, Hardwood and 548, and the curve on Hardwood.

In addition to the fencing put up along the easterly border, it appears that a gate may be needed to keep recreational vehicles from damaging the plantings and grass. Options can be discussed with the Roads Superintendent.

A Roads Committee meeting will be scheduled for early September to discuss winter operations and planning for next year's summer projects.

Mayor Smith advised that the Mennonite community has expressed interest in establishing a school and a church with a cemetery on Barr Road N. There was general discussion about the benefits of this establishment and no objection was raised. They will be advised that plans should be provided to determine exact locations for each of the buildings, and staff will make enquiries with the BAO with respect to the minimum distances from any other features, including the Stickney Cemetery.



## 10. CLOSED SESSION

#### 11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution No: 2022 - 112

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: R. Wigmore

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2022 - 20, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting held this Seventeenth day of August,

2022. Carried.

# 12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: 2022 – 113

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: R. Wigmore

Be it resolved that the regular Council meeting of August 17, 2022 be adjourned at 7:08

pm, to meet again at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, September 21, 2022.

Carried

Councillor Farrar noted that he would not be in attendance at the September meeting.

Lennox Smith, Mayor

Carol Trainor, Clerk