

# THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT <u>Council Meeting Agenda</u> Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 6:00 pm Township Council Chambers, 27 Barr Road S.

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# THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT <u>Council Meeting Minutes</u> Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 6:00 pm Township Council Chambers, 27 Barr Road S.

PRESENT: Lennox Smith, Mayor

Ursula Abbott David Farrar Darren McClelland Jacqui Nagel

STAFF: Jared Brice, Acting Clerk

Michael Pigeon, Road Superintendent (left the meeting at 7:05 pm)

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

#### 2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

#### 3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

a. Minutes of the regular Council meeting held April 17, 2024

Resolution No: 2024 - 68

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

Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on April 17, 2024 be

approved as circulated.

Carried

#### 4. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

## 5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

a. Payment log for the month of April, 2024

Resolution No: 2024 - 69

Moved by U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the payment log for the month of April, 2024 in the amount of

\$104,057.04 be approved as presented.

Carried

#### 6. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Report of the Road Superintendent and Roads Committee



M. Pigeon provided an update on the recent roads committee meeting wherein a draft budget was discussed, along with the rock drilling and road resurfacing. The Roads Committee recommended the low bidder for both projects.

Resolution No: 2024 – 70

Moved by U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the verbal report from the Road Superintendent be received; and That Council approve the recommendation of the Roads Committee to approve the quote from B. Cameron to transport the ¼" clear stone to the Township yard, plus loader rental.

Carried as amended

# b. Amended Prime Agricultural Lands Designation

Resolution No: 2024 - 71

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

Be it resolved that the report from the Administrative / Planning Assistant regarding Prime Agricultural areas in Tarbutt for the Joint Official Plan be received; and That Council approve the mapping of prime Agricultural areas, as recommended by the Agricultural Advisory Committee members from The Township of Tarbutt. Carried

#### c. Proposed Lot Addition - Hardwood Road

Resolution No: 2024 - 72

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

Be it resolved that the report from the Administrative/ Planning Assistant regarding the application for a lot addition on Hardwood Drive be received; and

That Council support the proposed lot addition for conservation purposes subject to consideration of public health, public safety or environmental impact, and that it will not preclude or hinder the expansion or continued use of the pit or quarry.

Carried

#### d. Dr. Harold S. Trefry Centre Senior of the Year Award

Resolution No: 2024 – 73

Moved by: J. Nagel Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that the information regarding the annual Senior of the Year nomination

for the Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial Centre be received; and

That the suggested member of the community be approved as the 2024 Senior of the

Year, to be presented at the Senior's BBQ on June 25, 2024.

Carried

#### e. Amendments to the Employee Compensation Policy

Resolution No: 2024 - 74

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

Be it resolved that the report from the CAO/Clerk regarding approved amendments to

the Employee Compensation Policy be received; and



That the Employee Compensation Policy be approved as amended to include clauses for sick time and personal days.

Carried

# f. Sault Ste. Marie Humane Society Annual Contract Renewal

Resolution No: 2024 – 75

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the letter and Use Requirements from the Sault Ste. Marie SPCA

Pound Facility be received; and

That Council agrees to renew the contract with the SSM SPCA Pound Facility and to

pay the annual user fee; and

That By-law 2013-6, being a By-law to regulate the licensing, registration, care and control of dogs be amended to include the provisions outlined in the Pound Facility agreement.

Carried

# g. Clerk's Report

Resolution No: 2024 - 76

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

Be it resolved that the Clerk's Report for May 2024 be received for information; and That a Special Council meeting be held on Wednesday, June 5 to receive a presentation of the audited financial statements from Stefanizzi Professional Corporation.

. Carried

#### 7. BY-LAWS

#### 8. INFORMATION / CONSENT AGENDA

- a. 2023 Annual Building Report
- Resolution from the City of St. Catharines
   Re: Restrict the keeping of Exotic Animals
- Resolution from the Municipality of Trent Hills
   Re: Provincial Funding of Social Services
- d. Resolution from the Algoma District Services Administration Board Re: ADSAB Alternate Apportionment Model
- e. Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial Centre Re: Annual BBQ and Senior of the Year Award
- f. June is Seniors Month: Information and Education



Resolution No: 2024 – 77

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

Be it resolved that information items a through f listed on the Consent Agenda dated May

15, 2024 be received; and

That Council receive the 2023 Annual Building Report; and

That the Council of The Township of Tarbutt support the resolution from the City of St. Catharines petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding and use of non-native, exotic wild animals and zoos in order to guarantee consistent application throughout Ontario; and

That The Council of The Township of Tarbutt supports the resolution of Northumberland County asking the Province to significantly increase funding for affordable housing, shelters and other necessary social services to ensure adequate levels of service to meet the needs of all Ontario residents.

Carried

#### 9. OTHER BUSINESS

Council discussed the appearance of several advertisements and signs placed in the road allowance recently. The Township's sign by-law requires a permit in order to post a sign, however no permits have been applied for. The Township has the authority to remove signs which are in the road allowance.

#### 10. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No: 2024 – 78

Moved by: J. Nagel Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that Council move into closed session at 6:50 pm under Sec. 239 (2) (d) of

the Municipal Act, in order to discuss labour relations or employee negotiations.

Carried

#### a. Continuation of Benefits Policy draft

Resolution No: 2024 – 79

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar Be it resolved that Council rise from closed session at 7:27 pm.

Carried

Resolution No: 2024 – 80

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

Be it resolved that the confidential report from the CAO/Clerk regarding the draft wording

of a Continuation of Benefits policy be received; and

That the draft policy be provided to the Township's solicitor, and the health benefits

provider for review before being brought back to Council for approval.

Carried

#### 11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution No: 2024 - 81

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel



Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2024 - 14 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular Council meeting held this Fifteenth day of May, 2024.

Carried

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: 2024 – 82

Moved by: J. Nagel Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that the regular Council meeting held this Fifteenth day of May, 2024 be adjourned at 8:05 pm, to meet again on Wednesday, June 5, 2024 for the presentation of the audited financial statements, and for the regular Council meeting on Wednesday, June

19, 2024 at 6:00 pm, or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Lennox Smith, Mayor
 Jared Brice, Acting Clerk

#### **Carol Trainor**

From: Dalton MacFarlane < dmacfarlane@macfarlanecapital.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 7, 2024 1:23 PM

To: Carol Trainor

**Subject:** June 12 council meeting

#### Good afternoon,

I would like the opportunity to speak with council regarding the 700 acre agricultural land piece I own at 176 McCluskie rd. The property has been assessed from MPAC and Agricorp as agricultural lands. I was told that any previous years would be a consideration of the municipality, not Agricorp, as you are the entity receiving and charging the taxes. Their role was to assess if the lands were actively being used for ag purposes, which they have done now.

Since the lands have always been in agricultural use, continue to be used this way, and have no residential structures, I would like to discuss with council their willingness to tax this property at the agricultural rate since our acquisition of the property.

# Thank you.



#### **Dalton MacFarlane**

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			The Township of Tarbutt  Payment Log	_			
May-24							
Туре	Cheque No.	Cheque Date	Payee		Amount		
Cheque	4961	05/03/2024	Tax Overpayment (Refund) through Credit Union	\$	550.00		
Cheque	4962	05/03/2024	Heritage Home Hardware	\$	40.81		
Cheque	4963	05/03/2024	COOP Regionale Nip-Sud LTD	\$	353.84		
Cheque	4964	05/03/2024	Minister of Finance	\$	7,520.00		
	4965	05/03/2024	Algoma District Services Admin Board	\$	30,839.58		
Cheque	4966	05/03/2024	Island Clippings	\$	203.40		
Cheque	4966	05/03/2024	GFL Environmental	\$	25,417.68		
Cheque	4967		Valley Blades	\$	1,983.42		
Cheque	4968	05/07/2024	Dr. HS Trefry Memorial Centre	\$	5,000.00		
Cheque		05/07/2024		\$	27.00		
Cheque	4970	05/07/2024	17E Trading Post/ Gas Bar	\$	3,051.00		
Cheque	4971	05/07/2024	Ibbitson Enterprises	\$	418.56		
Cheque	4972	05/07/2024	Quattra SCS		183.63		
Cheque	4973	05/07/2024	COOP Reegionale Nip-Sud LTD	\$ \$	183.63		
Cheque	4974	05/07/2024	McClelland's Hardware and Feed	_			
Cheque	4975	05/07/2024	North Shore Sentinel	\$	155.94		
Cheque	4976	05/07/2024	OMERS	\$	4,476.18		
Cheque	4977	05/07/2024	Tulloch Engineering Inc.	\$	821.96		
Cheque	4978	05/22/2024	Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Bd (Official Plan)	\$	1,677.26		
Cheque	4979	05/22/2024	Algoma Office Equipment	\$	83.69		
Cheque	4980	05/22/2024	Algoma Business Computers	\$	33.90		
Cheque	4981	5/22/2024	Ledger Management Services	\$	1,805.18		
Cheque	4982	5/24/2024	Canadian Safety Equipment Inc.	\$	271.20		
Cheque	4983	05/24/2024	Quattra SCS LTD.	\$	418.56		
Cheque	4984	5/24/2024	Void Cheque- Printer Error	\$			
Cheque	4985	5/24/2024	TESTMARK Labratories	\$	45.20		
Cheque	4986	5/17/2024	Island Clippings	\$	135.60		
Cheque	4987	5/24/2024	The Kensington Conservancy membership	\$	250.00		
Cheque	4988	5/28/2024	Minister of Finance-Payment Processing Centre	\$	7,528.00		
Cheque	4989	5/28/2024	Kent's Corner rental	\$	113.00		
Cheque	4990		June Payroll deductions	\$	4		
Cheque	4991	5/31/2024	Landfill Attendant Admin fee	\$	100.00		
			Total		93,517.02		
Payroll		May	Staff (Council, Admin, Roads, Landfill & Caretaker)	\$	21,058.91		
Visa		05/04/2024	Starlink Internet	\$	158.20		
Visa		05/06/2024	Bell Canada	\$	73.59		
Visa		05/07/2024	Bell Canada	\$	321.85		
Visa		05/07/2024	Bell Mobility	\$	238.44		
Visa		05/07/2024	Bell Canada	\$	67.20		
Visa		05/10/2024	Adobe	\$	105.06		
Visa		05/14/2024	Dr. Trefry Memorial Centre Senior BBQ	\$	48.00		
Visa		05/15/2024	Zoom subscription	\$	48.57		
Visa		05/27/2024	Pit Stop Echo Bay	\$	303.02		
		,,	Total	\$	1,363.93		

		The Township of Tarbutt						
Payment Log								
May-24								
PAP	5/1/2024	Equitable Life Insurance	\$	2,635.65				
PAP	5/1/2024	RCAP plotter lease	\$	93.33				
PAP	5/7/2024	CIBC Service Charge	\$	24.00				
PAP	5/13/2024	Algoma Power	\$	158.56				
PAP	5/13/2024	Algoma Power	\$	490.84				
PAP	5/13/2024	Algoma Power	\$	265.54				
PAP	5/16/2024	Mortagage Operating Infrastructure	\$	26,164.92				
PAP	5/31/2024	CIBC Loan Admin Fee	\$	25.00				
PAP	5/31/2024	CIBC Monthly Fee	\$	55.00				
PAP	5/31/2024	CIBC Paper Statement Fee	\$	3.50				
		Total	\$	29,916.34				
			\$	145,856.20				
		nts made in May and does not include all of						
May's expenditu	res as reflected in the mo	onthly statement.						



# **Report to Council**

TO:

Mayor and Members of Council

FROM:

Jared Brice, Administrative/Planning Assistant

DATE:

June 12th, 2024

SUBJECT:

Proposed Lot Addition Adjacent to Existing Aggregate Operations -

**Hardwood Drive** 

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board received one consent application for one lot addition on Hardwood Drive for conservation purposes (see attached map).

The current Zoning By-law (10-85) designation for the subject lands is Natural Resource and the Official Plan (11-2015) designation(s) are Rural with the Aggregate Extraction Overlay. The subject lands have an abandoned pit that is not registered under the Aggregate Resources Act. The proposed lot addition is adjacent to a licensed pit.

Public notice has been provided to Registered Professional Planner Jerry Dolcetti, the Ministry of Mines, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Algoma Public Health and Neighbours within 60 m of the subject lands. At Tarbutt Council's May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting, technical comments from the consulted Ministries were detailed in a report to Council regarding the proposed lot addition. The Planning Board have yet to receive any other written comments or objections at the time this report was written (June 7, 2024).

A site visit was conducted by Planning Board staff and a member of the Planning Board on the subject lands. No concerns were identified as a result of the site visit.

As the consent application is for conservation purposes, the parkland cash in lieu payment would not apply as no development is proposed.

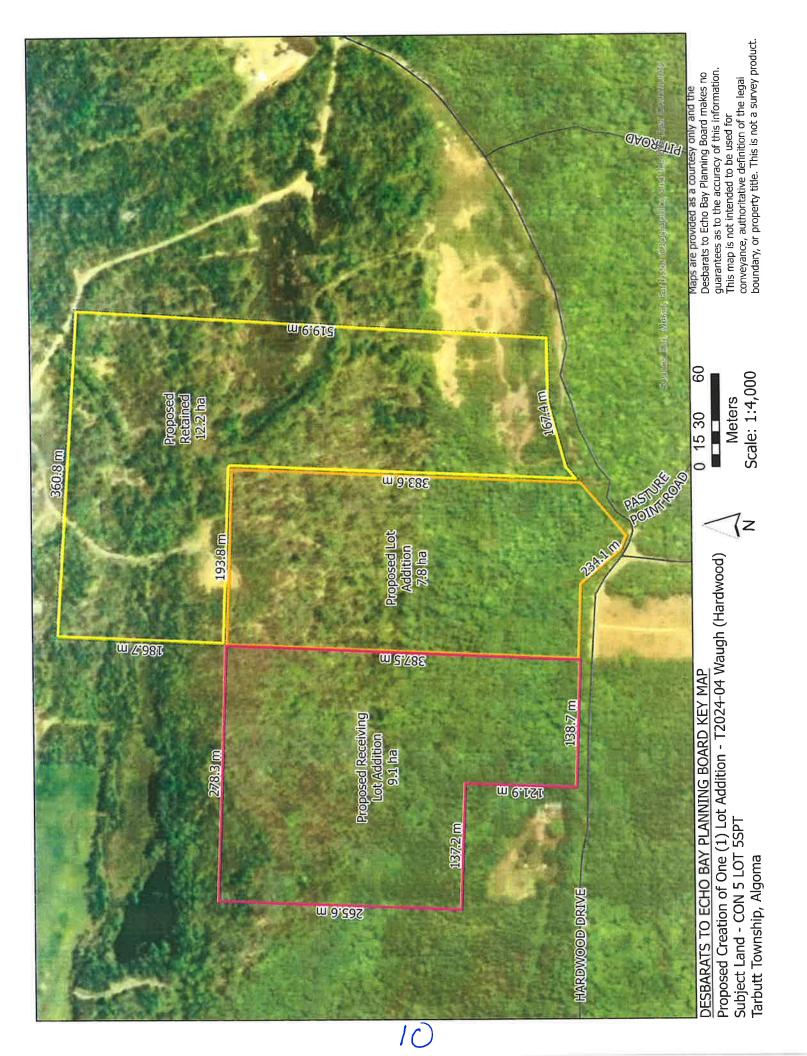
#### STAFF RECOMENDATION

#### Staff recommend:

- That the report from the Administrative/Planning Assistant be received; and
- That Council support the application for one lot addition for conservation purposes as presented; and
- That no development shall be permitted on the proposed retained, lot additional and/or receiving lands; and
- That the parkland cash-in lieu payment be waived as the proposal is for conservation purposes; and
- That any portion of the travelled road known as Hardwood Drive that is located on the subject property be transferred to the Township at the expense of the applicant.

Jared Brice

Administrative/Planning Assistant



# THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 12, 2024 CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Letter from the St. Joseph Island Planning Board to Algoma Public Health Re: APH Fees for Land Use Applications
- b. Resolution from the City of BellevilleRe: Resolution in support of Family Physicians
- c. East Algoma Community Futures Development Corporation Re: Invitation to the Annual General Meeting Dinner
- d. Notice from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario
   Re: Ten year renewal of the Canada Community Building Fund (gas tax)
- e. Letter from the Ministry of Health to the AMO President Re: Access to well water testing at Public Health Laboratories
- f. Letter from C. MacKay, Cyclist Re: Commendations to the Township and the Roads Super
- g. Resolution from the Municipality of Callander
   Re: Request the Province to Resume Property Assessment Cycles

Recommendation: Be it resolved that correspondence items a through g on the consent agenda dated June 12, 2024 be received; and

That Council supports the intent of the letter from the St. Joseph Island Planning Board, as supported by the Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Board, that the proposed fees for review of land use applications is excessive and unreasonable and should be reconsidered; and

That Council supports the resolution from the City of Belleville requesting the Province of Ontario to take immediate action to reconsider compensation to family physicians, and to relieve their administrative burden so they have more time to spend on patient care; and That the invitation to the East Algoma Community Futures Development Corporation Annual General Meeting be received; and

That the Council of The Township of Tarbutt supports the resolution from the Municipality of Callander asking the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes, while the review of assessment and taxation systems continue.