

TOWNSHIP OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOCH AND RAGLAN

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan held on September 7, 2016 at the Municipal Office located in Palmer Rapids - Ontario at 7:00 p.m.

**Present Were:** Mayor, **Garry Gruntz**  
Councillor, **Wayne Banks**  
Councillor, **Iris Kauffeldt**  
Councillor, **Sheldon Keller**  
Councillor, **John Rutledge**

**Also Present:** Clerk-Treasurer, **Michelle Mantifel**

**Public:** 6 Members of the Public

1. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor.

2. **PECUNIARY INTERESTS** – None

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution # 1

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Sheldon Keller**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting August 3, 2016 and Special Meeting August 17, 2016 as printed and circulated.”

Carried.

4. **DEPUTATIONS** - None

5. **REPORTS**

i. Public Works Supervisor

The Public Works Supervisor’s report was accepted as presented.

ii. Clerks

The complaints received regarding the Wild Summer Festival were discussed. Council was also informed that the ‘Walter Road’ intersection sign was reported missing by the organizers of the festival. It was replaced by the County of Renfrew the same day.

Council approved the purchase of 5 cell phones for the Fire Halls and Waste Site Attendant.

Washroom facilities at the waste sites were discussed. More information will be obtained.

The Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund – Top-Up Funding application was discussed. It was agreed that an application would be submitted for Letterkenny Road. The Clerk will contact the County of Renfrew to see if they can provide technical assistance to complete the application. Jp2g will also be contacted.

iii. Mayor & Council

Councillor **Banks** invited the members of council to the CPAC barbecue to be held on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Councillor **Rutledge** requested a free disposal day for bulky items. Council agreed that there would be two free days to dispose of mattresses and furniture next year. They will be held on May long weekend and Labour Day weekend.

Councillor **Rutledge** also requested that the municipality investigate the cost to contract the services of the By-law Enforcement Officer from Madawaska Valley. The Clerk was directed to contact the municipality.

A property owner on Pells Lane requested a load of gravel for the road. Council did not approve the request.

Councillor **Rutledge** inquired if any work has been done at the Community Centre to improve the drainage. The County of Renfrew has been contacted.

The purchase of used vehicles for the Fire Department and Roads Department were discussed. Councillor Rutledge knew of a leased truck that would soon be available for sale. The Fire Chief was directed to price the necessary fire equipment so the truck could be used as a rescue vehicle. The truck would be used by the Fire Chief during work hours and otherwise would be parked at a Fire Hall.

Council discussed the possibility of coordinating fire bans with the surrounding municipalities. The Fire Chief will discuss at Chief's meeting.

Councillor **Kauffeldt** provided information on the County of Renfrew Official Plan review. It was suggested that residents should inspect the maps for the effect on their property.

Mayor **Gruntz** reported that changes have been proposed to the Residential Tenancies Act that would require all municipalities to enforce residential rental maintenance standards. Changes have also been made to how smaller campgrounds will be assessed by the Canada Revenue Agency.

Mayor **Gruntz** addressed the concerns regarding the Fire Chief/Facility Manager's salary.

iv. Fire Chief/Facility Manager

The Fire Chief's report was accepted as presented.

Council agreed that the filtration towers for the breathing air fill station should be replaced this year.

The Clerk was directed to obtain the cost for Township signs from the County of Renfrew.

The Fire Chief was directed to interview the candidates for the Fire Prevention Officer.

v. Building Inspector Report - None

vi. Waste Management Committee

Resolution # 2

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Iris Kauffeldt**

"THAT the Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2016 be approved as printed and circulated."

Carried.

Council approved the recommendations from the Waste Management Committee.

vii. Recreation

Councillor **Keller** provided a list of upcoming events for the BLR Recreation Committee. He also reported that three Recreation Committee members have resigned. The Committee requires new members and volunteers to help with events.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- i. Cheryl Gallant –re: Small Campground Taxation Issue

Resolution # 3

Moved by **Wayne Banks**, sec. by **Sheldon Keller**

**“WHEREAS** camping is about celebrating the great outdoors and is an integral part of our nation’s history and our identity as Canadians;

**WHEREAS** nearly 5.8 million Canadians go camping each year, along with numerous international visitors who want to experience the natural wonder of our country;

**WHEREAS** campgrounds are active, labour-intensive, recreational, hospitality businesses that provide affordable vacationing options for middle-class Canadian families and international visitors with many campgrounds in Canada being family-run businesses that have been around for generations;

**WHEREAS** campgrounds across Canada begun receiving notices from the Federal Government warning them of reassessments as they are deemed to be TOO SMALL to qualify for the small business tax deduction, because many family-run campgrounds do not have the required number of employees to qualify for the small business tax rate;

**WHEREAS** some family-run campgrounds will now be taxed at triple the rate of other small businesses – rates higher than even Canada’s BIGGEST BILLION DOLLAR BUSINESSES, with penalties and interest, back tax bills will be in the tens of thousands of dollars, crippling otherwise healthy businesses, and leading to ruin for others;

**WHEREAS** THE 2016 Federal budget abruptly concluded a promised 2015 review of these tax rules;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby respectfully urges the Federal Government to set aside these audits until the unclear and unfair application of these rules can be resolved.

**AND FURTHER**, to do that, we require the federal government to recognize small, mostly family-run campgrounds as small businesses, and pay the same tax rate as other small businesses.”

Carried

- ii. Palmer Rapids and Area Lions Club –re: Tree of Love – Council agreed that the Palmer Rapids and Area Lions Club could use the BLR Community Hall for the Tree of Love event on December 4, 2016.
- iii. Mayor of Oshawa –re: Letter of Support – A letter of support will be provided.
- iv. Town of Shelburne –re: Resolution for Support

Resolution # 4

Moved by **Wayne Banks**, sec. by **Sheldon Keller**

**“WHEREAS** Autism Spectrum Disorder is now recognized as the most common neurological disorder affecting 1 in every 94 children, as well as their friends, family and community; and

**WHEREAS** Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) is the scientific process based on objective evaluation and empirically based interventions used to achieve meaningful, generalizable and enduring behavioral change. Intensive Behavioral Intervention (IBI) is an application of the principles of ABA in an intensive setting used to affect behaviour change and improvement; and

**WHEREAS** the current waiting list of children for Intensive Behavioural Intervention (IBI) is over 2,000 and more than 13,000 children await Applied Behaviour Analysis; and

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has announced it intends to discontinue IBI services to children over the age of four and provide a one-time payment to assist with services, thereby abandoning thousands who have been wait-listed for years; and

**WHEREAS** there are two service models for affected children to be treated, 1) the Direct Service Offering (DSO) where children receive services directly from trained staff at Ontario's nine regional service providers, and 2) the Direct Funding Offering (DFO) where parents receive funding directly in order to purchase services; and

**WHEREAS** the DFO model to provide services is used in Alberta, British Columbia and imminently in Saskatchewan. Such a model is clinically rigorous and has been identified by the Auditor General of Ontario as being less expensive than Ontario's DSO model;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a letter be sent to Hon. Tracey MacCharles, Minister of Children and Youth Services; Alexander Bezzina, Deputy Minister; Hon. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health; and Hon. Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, requesting the Province to:

1. Amend its policy to one that will allow all children on the current waiting list to receive the IBI services promised them; and
2. Remove the age limit for IBI therapy and replace it with a program that provides ongoing IBI services based on need and individual development, not age; and
3. Ensure oversight by professionals and parents based in 'development progress' criteria and milestones; and
4. Adopt a Direct Funding Offering (DFO) model in lieu of the current Direct Service Offering (DSO);

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all municipalities within the Province of Ontario."

Carried.

- v. Email from Victoria Luloff –re: Concerns – Garbage/Letterkenny Road – The Clerk will reply.
- vi. Letter from Earl & Sherry Dombroskie –re: New Waste Management Policy – The Clerk will reply.
- vii. Legal Matters – Summer 2016 - **filed**

## **7. PAYMENTS**

Resolution # 5

Moved by **Iris Kauffeldt**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

"THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby approve the General Account/Voucher # 8 in the amount of **\$ 89,473.24**, the Roads Account/Voucher # 8 in the amount of **\$ 47,866.64**, the Recreation Account/Voucher # 8 in the amount of **\$ 4,955.14** and the Bicentennial Park Account/Voucher # 8 in the amount of **\$ 257.53**."

Carried.

Council discussed the mileage paid to the CBO. It was agreed that a used car will be purchased for the CBO.

## **8. SEVERANCES - None**

**9. BY-LAWS**

- i. Resolution # 6

Moved by **Sheldon Keller**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT By-law No. 2016-34, being a By-law to amend By-law No. 2016-30, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2016-34 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

- ii. Resolution # 7

Moved by **Wayne Banks**, sec. by **Iris Kauffeldt**

“THAT By-law No. 2016-35, being a By-law to close a highway, being part of the road allowance along the shore of the Madawaska River, was read a first and second time.”

Carried.

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

- i. Resolution # 8

Moved by **Sheldon Keller**, sec. by **Wayne Banks**

“THAT By-law No. 2016-36, being a By-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan and the Continuous Improvement Fund, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2016-36 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

- ii. Resolution # 9

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Sheldon Keller**

“THAT Council go into closed session to discuss labour relations or employee negotiations (Casual Waste Site Attendant), personal matters about an identifiable individual and litigation or potential litigation.”

Carried.

Resolution # 10

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Sheldon Keller**

“THAT Council comes out of closed session.”

Carried.

Mayor **Gruntz** reported that during the closed meeting Council discussed two matters regarding labour relations & employee negotiations, two personal matters about an identifiable individual and one matter regarding litigation.

Resolution # 11

Moved by **Wayne Banks**, sec. by **Iris Kauffeldt**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby accept the tender in the amount of \$ 31,710.00 from Bradley Forbes for 940B Schutt Road being Part of Lot 26, Concession 9, Part 1 on Reference Plan 49R-1660 in the geographic Township of Raglan, Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan.”

Carried.

- iii. The Fire Chief/Facility Manager joined the meeting. Council discussed the purchase of two used vehicles and the replacement of the filtration towers for the breathing air fill station.

**11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

Resolution # 12

Moved by **John Rutledge**, sec. by **Sheldon Keller**

“THAT By-law No. 2016-37, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan at its Special Council Meeting of August 17, 2016 and Regular Council Meeting of September 7, 2016, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2016-37 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution # 13

Moved by **Wayne Banks**, sec. by **John Rutledge**

“THAT this meeting adjourn at 10:46 pm.”

Carried.

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**Mayor, Garry Gruntz**

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**Clerk, Michelle Mantifel**