

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MCDOUGALL  
COMMITTEE/COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**Present Physically:**

Mayor	D. Robinson (Chairperson)
Deputy Mayor	J. Constable
Councillor	J. Ryman
CAO	T. Hunt
Clerk	L. West

**Present Electronically:**

Fire Chief	B. Leduc
Chief Building Official	K. Dixon

**Regrets:** Councillor Gregory  
Councillor Malott

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

As a result of the declaration of emergency issued by the Municipality of McDougall for the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the requirements for social distancing, this Committee/Council meeting was held electronically in accordance with section 238 of the Municipal Act, 2001.

It should be noted that social distancing measures were implemented for the Council and staff physically attending the meeting. Members of the public were able to view the Council proceedings through the municipal YouTube Channel.

The Municipal Clerk took a roll call of Council and determined that quorum was established for the meeting to proceed.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Robinson brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**3. PRIORITIZATION OF AGENDA**

Additions to Section 20 by-laws i) By-law 2021-25 Being a By-law to strike the tax rates for the year 2021

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**i) Resolution No. 2021/79**

**Ryman/Constable**

**THAT** the minutes of the Committee/Council Meeting held on June 2, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

**“Carried”**

**5. DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

**Matters Arising.**

Nil

**6. PLANNING/BUILDING**

**i) The Township of Carling.**

Re: Notice of a Special Council Meeting to Discuss Revisions to the Township Official Plan (5-Year Review).  
Council received as information.

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**7. BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Nil

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Chief Leduc noted the draft by-law regarding backyard chickens has been reviewed by the Attorney General's office and returned for requested revisions which are being put together. The draft by-law will be brought forward at the next Committee/Council meeting.

**8. FIRE PROTECTION**

i) Report of the Fire Chief.

Re: 2021 Year to Date Service Report.

Chief Leduc gave an overview.

ii) Report of the Fire Chief FC-2021-05.

Re: Community Safety and Well Being Plan Report.

Chief Leduc gave an overview and noted a Community Survey will be released in a week or so. The survey will be posted on Municipal websites for community input into helping produce the final product that will hopefully be brought forward in the fall. A paper copy will be available upon request if someone does not have technology available.

**Matters Arising.**

Nil

**9. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

i) COVID-19 Emergency Response.

Re: Declaration of Emergency.

Mayor Robinson noted that McDougall will remain under Declaration of Emergency.

**Matters Arising.**

Nil

**10. RECREATION**

Nil

**Matters Arising.**

Chief Leduc noted a child within the community was injured at one of the Municipal parks on Saturday morning and is doing ok.  
Chief Leduc also noted that pickle ball is getting ready to start back up at the McDougall Recreation Centre.

**11. PUBLIC WORKS**

Nil

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Mr. Hunt noted the following:

- Resurfacing of Lake Forest Drive is out for tender.
- Sweeping of McDougall roads has been completed.
- 95% of guardrails have been repaired or replaced.
- Line painting is scheduled to be completed this week.

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- Roadside brushing will be finished Friday.
- Grading & calcium on gravel roads has been applied.
- New watermain in Nobel has passed the pressure test and chlorination test. Should now be ready for final connection.
- Landfill packer is now operational.

**12. ENVIRONMENT**

- i) Waste Management.  
Nil

**Matters Arising.**  
Nil

**13. FINANCE**

- i) Accounts Payable.  
**Resolution No. 2021-80** **Constable/Ryman**  
**THAT** the attached lists of Accounts Payable for June 16, 2021 in the amount of \$480,055.92 and payroll for June 16, 2021 in the amount of \$47,787.13 be approved for payment.

**“Carried”**

**Matters Arising.**  
Nil

**14. ADMINISTRATION**

- i) Jean-Benoit Trahan, Director, Eastern Region Operations, Enbridge Gas Inc.  
Re: Natural Gas Expansion Program.  
Mayor Robinson noted that he has reached out to MPP, Norm Miller’s office to inquire as to why McDougall was not successful with the application regarding the Natural Gas Expansion Program and should have a response back at some point in the near future.
- ii) Report of the Clerk C-2021-04.  
Re: Application to Use Concession Road Allowance Between Concession 1 Lot 8, in the Municipality of McDougall and Concession 12 Lot 9 in the Township of Seguin (Salituro).  
The Clerk gave an overview. Council gave direction to proceed with this Application.
- iii) Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).  
Re: Media Release; Regulation to Transition the Blue Box Program from Municipalities to Producers.  
Council received as information.
- iv) Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).  
Re: FONOM Learning Mornings.  
Council received as information.
- v) Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)  
Re: Request for Input on ROMA Governance and 2022 Conference & General Meeting.  
Council received as information.

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**15. REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT**

- i) The Town of Cochrane.  
Re: Reopen Greenwater Provincial Park.  
**Resolution No. 2021-81** **Ryman/Constable**  
**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of McDougall supports the attached resolution from The Town of Cochrane requesting the reopening of Greenwater Provincial Park; and **FURTHER** that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and the Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry.  

**“Carried”**
  
- ii) Township of McKellar.  
Re: Requesting Consideration of Tax Breaks on 2020 CERB payments.  
**Resolution No. 2021-82** **Constable/Ryman**  
**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of McDougall supports the attached resolution from the Township of McKellar requesting consideration of tax breaks on 2020 CERB payments; and **FURTHER** that this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Federal Minister of Finance, and Parry Sound-Muskoka MP Scott Aitchison.  

**“Carried”**
  
- iii) Scott Aitchison, Member of Parliament, Parry Sound – Muskoka.  
Re: Request for support regarding the National Suicide Helpline.  
**Resolution No. 2021-83** **Ryman/Constable**  
**WHEREAS** the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 9-8-8, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;  
**AND WHEREAS** the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%;  
**AND WHEREAS** existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;  
**AND WHEREAS** in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 9-8-8 crisis hotline;  
**AND WHEREAS** the Municipality of McDougall recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipality of McDougall endorses this 9-8-8 crisis line initiative;  
**AND THAT** Staff be directed to send a letter indicating such support to our local Member of Parliament, Member(s) of the Legislative Assembly, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities to indicate our support.  

**“Carried”**
  
- iv) Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen.  
Re: Support of the Use of Automatic Speed Enforcement (Photo Radar).  
Council reviewed with no action indicated.
  
- v) Township of The Archipelago.

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Re: Bill 228 – Banning Unencapsulated Polystyrene Foam.  
Council reviewed with no action indicated.

- vi) Township of The Archipelago.  
Re: Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act (Microplastics Filters for Washing Machines), 2021  
Council reviewed with no action indicated.
- vii) Township of Rideau Lakes.  
Re: Request for the Government of Ontario to Provide Funding for Abandoned Cemeteries.  
Council requested a resolution to be brought forward.
- viii) Town of Fort Erie.  
Re: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence.  
Council reviewed with no action indicated.

**Matters Arising.**

Nil

**16. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN**

Nil

**17. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- i) McDougall and Nobel Public School Closures.  
Re: Accommodation Review Committee (ARC).  
Mayor Robinson noted that he had a previous meeting with two Nobel school parents, Becky Pollock, Greg Mason and also Parry Sound Mayor, Jamie McGarvey, which all have concerns regarding the new proposed mega school on the current high school site in the Town of Parry Sound. It was recommended that participation in a resolution supported by all municipalities in West Parry Sound be drafted with the following two goals in mind:
  - a) that a new Accommodation Review Committee be struck as previous data is way out dated.
  - b) a peer review of the enrolment figures for the area.Council requested staff, CAO and Clerk to reach out to their counterparts in other Municipalities in terms of formulating a draft resolution.
- ii) Integrated Community Energy & Community Action Plans (ICECAP).  
Re: Memorandum of Understanding (Terms of Reference) and Resolution to Join the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and ICLEI–Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI Canada) Partners for Climate Protection Program.  
**Resolution No. 2021-84** **Constable/Ryman**  
**THAT** Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of McDougall does hereby appoint Councillor Ryman as the Municipality of McDougall representative to the Integrated Community Energy & Community Action Plans (ICECAP).  
**AND THAT** Council has approved the 2021 ICECAP administrative membership fee of \$2,500.00 for services as listed in "Schedule A – Membership fees of the Integrated Community Energy and Climate Action Plans Memorandum of Understanding", and any additional funding will be subject to the approval of Council.

**“Carried”**

- iii) North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit.

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Re: Audited Financial Statements, Financial Information Return (FIR),  
and COVID-19 Update.  
Council received as information.

- iv) North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit.  
Re: Public Service Announcements and Media Releases
- a) Health Unit Launches COVID-19 Guide to Summer Activities Webpage.
  - b) Three Ticks Test Positive for Lyme Disease Confirms Health Unit.
  - c) Second Dose Appointment in June, Check Clinic Schedule.
  - d) Garderie Soleil's Preschool Senior Cohort Set to Return to Child Care Centre Confirms Health Unit.
- Council Received as information.

**Matters Arising.**  
Nil

**18. REPORT OF THE CAO**

The CAO noted the following:

- CAO's are working on the new draft agreement for municipal service work for the proposed pool.
- High speed internet is now available for businesses in the Parry Sound & Area Industrial Park and businesses are signing up.
- Two more applications have also been received for proposed businesses in the Industrial Park.
- Mayor Robinson noted that he attended the opening of the Vianet tower on Tuesday along with representatives from some other municipalities. MPP, Norm Miller, Liz McWalters and Peter Mallette from SMART Community Network were also in attendance.

**19. GENERAL ITEMS AND NEW BUSINESS**

Nil

**20. BY-LAWS**

- i) By-law 2021-25  
Re: Being a By-law to strike the tax rates for the year 2021.  
**Read a first, Second and Third Time, Passed, Signed and Sealed this 16th day of June, 2021.**

**21. CLOSED SESSION**

**Resolution No. 2021-85**

**Ryman/Constable**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public at 7:37p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- i) Human Resource Matter(s)  
Re: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees or local board employees, litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, and the receiving of advice which is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**"Carried"**

**Resolution No. 2021-86**

**Constable/Ryman**

**THAT** Council reconvene in Open Session at 8:04 p.m.

**"Carried"**

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**22. RATIFICATION OF MATTERS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

That staff follow the direction from Council regarding the personnel matters as discussed.

**23. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

i) By-Law No. 2021-24.

Re: To confirm the proceedings of the Committee/Council meeting held on June 16, 2021.

**Read a first, Second and Third Time, Passed, Signed and Sealed this  
16th day of June, 2021.**


**24. ADJOURNMENT**


**Resolution No. 2021-86**

**THAT** Council reconvene in Open Session at 8:06 p.m.

**Constable/Ryman**

**"Carried"**

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk