



# The Corporation of the Town of Bruce Mines

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MAYOR: LORY PATERI  
CLERK: DONNA BRUNKE

## MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING IN THE BRUCE MINES MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND ELECTRONICALLY AT 7:00 PM.

### PRESENT:

MAYOR LORY PATERI

COUNCILLORS - RICHARD O'HARA, MARIOLA MORIN, JODY ORTO

COUNCILLOR JERRY BOGART by Zoom

CLERK DONNA BRUNKE

ASA CHONG - TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial  
Centre by Zoom

OBSERVER - JOANNE FALK

1. Call to order by Mayor Patteri at 7:00 p.m. in the Bruce Mines council chambers and virtually.
2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest - Councillors Orto and Morin and C. Bogart
3. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-200**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE AGENDA AND ADDENDUM FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL DECEMBER 7, 2020. CARRIED.**

4. Committee of Adjustment/Council of the Whole: A) as required
5. Delegations: A) Dr. Harold S. Trefry Memorial Centre re: Transportation program
  - the transportation centre is looking for volunteers to drive clients - seniors and disabled - private vehicles used but there is also a partnership with Algoma Manor to use their handicap accessible van
  - anyone signed up can call to use service - 3 days prior to book ride - pick up at home - usually for medical appointment - sometimes there is a stop for groceries - client is invoiced at the end of the month - based on taxable income - reimburse driver - catchment area: one quarter of clients from Bruce Mines to Thessalon - need drivers for this area as it adds kms to drivers outside the area, therefore cost to program - posters are in various locations -

questions: how often are volunteers called upon?  
Response: for BM, three drives a month on average -  
insurance requirement: no added cost as it's a  
reimbursement

6. Reports:

- a) PWO I) - sludge removal in cells: reports - explained process: put into bags, let drain (year or more) and then dried matter goes to landfill
- cattail removal from cell #1 will add space
  - cost discussed to remove sludge from both cells - cells are 97-98% full
- waterfront property: lights and playground equipment will be removed next spring
- removing garbage containers from campground or purchase new for Hwy 17 - agreement to purchase two for highway
- II) Penokean Hills Farms:
- report under Tri-Neighbours re: transfer site
  - discussion on stop-up and closing portion of Lorne street and surplus property request - under Site Plan Agreement - PWO in agreement that both aren't needed for town use
- PWO left at 7:44 p.m.
- b) CBO/Zoning I)
- c) Clerk I) report reviewed:
- write off of taxes reviewed
  - agreement that 2020 OCIF and Gas Tax grants may be used for the two new lift station pumps on Highway 17

7. Minutes: A) Regular Nov. 16/20

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-201**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2020, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.**

8. Old Business: A) COVID-19 - Enforcement of Orders under the Reopening Ontario Act, 2020 (full package is in the office)
- B) ICIP Funding - firehall, campground and water options for review - \$100,000.00

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-202**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE ICIP FUNDING TO BE USED FOR UPGRADES TO THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT. CARRIED.**

9. Committee Reports:

- I) Admin/student/hall: a) computers - OWL - resolution - defer to new year  
b) gifts - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-203**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE FOLLOWING DECEMBER GIFTS TO STAFF:**

**4 X \$350 OFFICE AND ROADS**

**1 X \$ 150 PART-TIME/SEASONAL**

**2 X \$50 OTHER STAFF**

**CARRIED.**

- ii) Fire Dept.: a) Approves the purchase of the spreader - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-204**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JODY ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE PURCHASE OF A SPREADER FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT A COST OF \$13,000.000 (+ TAXES) IN 2020.**

**CARRIED.**

- b) Honorarium for 2020 - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-205**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE 2020 FIRE DEPARTMENT HONORARIUMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500 TO CHIEF AND REST EQUALLY DISTRIBUTED AMONG ACTIVE MEMBERS.**

**CARRIED.**

- Discussion on deputy-chief position: - not necessary position under FPPA - other members can carry that position - concern with honorarium amount out of budget - (Councillors Orto and Morin had previously declared a conflict of interest with regards to the fire department)

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-206**

**MOVED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**SECONDED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DISSOLVES THE POSITION OF DEPUTY-FIRE-CHIEF ON THE BMVFD EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2021.**

**CARRIED.**

- iii) Health Centre/Huron North West: a) gifts to physicians and pharmacy - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-207**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAY GIFTS BE GIVEN TO THE CENTRAL ALGOMA HEALTH CENTRE PHYSICIANS AND PHARMACY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100.00. CARRIED.**

b) for approval/financial - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-208**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE HEALTH CENTRE FINANCIAL STATEMENT/FOR APPROVALS DATED NOVEMBER 24, 2020, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.**

- the mayor updated on doctor recruitment: doctor suite hasn't progressed - amalgamation discussion with Huron north east and west - new doctor for Blind River and potentially in Thessalon

- a break was called from 8:30-8:32 p.m.

iv) Library: a) October financials - meeting this Thursday - applied for grant re: COVID

v) Marina/Campground /Shaft: a) additional electrical work done today

vi) Planning: a)

vii) Recreation: a) lighting competition - two prizes to be purchased - hall rental for fitness class being coordinated

viii) Tri-Neighbours: a) transfer site: days open due to holidays and closing in the fall/winter - question: the town and Thessalon pay for maintenance of their transfer sites but how does Plummer Add'l get billed for transfer site at Rose Lake?  
b) Stewardship Ontario Blue Box Program  
c) C. Bogart's notes - previously sent  
d) Transfer site - report e-mailed and invoice - resolution re: abattoir

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-209**

**MOVED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**WHEREAS PENOKEAN HILLS FARMS APPROACHED COUNCIL REQUESTING THE POTENTIAL USE OF THE TRANSFER SITE FOR A COMPOST OPERATION; AND WHEREAS COUNCIL COMMISSIONED A PRELIMINARY FEASIBILITY ASSESSMENT REPORT BY GHD FOR THE TOWN'S TRANSFER SITE;**

**AND WHEREAS THE REPORT IDENTIFIED AREAS OF CONCERN IF COUNCIL PROCEEDS WITH INVESTIGATING THE USE OF THE SITE TO ACCOMMODATE PENOKEAN HILLS FARMS;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES CEASE ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION INTO THE USE OF THIS SITE AS A POSSIBLE COMPOST SITE. CARRIED.**

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-210**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE REMOVAL OF CATTAILS FROM PERIMETER OF WEST CELL LAGOON AT AN APPROXIMATE COST OF \$2,000.00. CARRIED.**

- ix) Water/Wastewater/OCWA: a) SGS Certificate of Analysis  
b) Lagoon Inspection Reports - e-mailed

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-211**

**MOVED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**SECONDED BY: JODY ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE PAYMENT TO GHD FOR THE PRELIMINARY COMPOST FEASIBILITY STUDY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,400.00 PLUS HST. CARRIED.**

- c) Sewage Pump replacement - Hwy. 17 Lift Station

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-212**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE PURCHASE OF A NEW SEWAGE PUMP AT HWY. 17 LIFT STATION AT A COST OF \$58,416.26 AS PER ATTACHED QUOTE. CARRIED.**

10. Council Comments:

Councillor Bogart: requested to spend portion of budget on downtown development (lights) and council was in agreement

11. Disbursements:

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-213A**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE DECEMBER 7, 2020 DISBURSEMENT SHEET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$122,995.25 NOTING THAT FOR ANY MEMBER OF COUNCIL WHO HAS DECLARED A PECUNIARY INTEREST WITH REGARD TO ANY**

**ACCOUNT, THEIR APPROVAL IS BASED ON THIS ACCOUNT(S) BEING EXCLUDED FROM THE TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. CARRIED.**

12. By-Laws/Tenders/Agreements: a) Appointments

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-213B**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BYLAW TO APPOINT OFFICERS AND MEMBERS TO SERVE ON BOARDS AND COMMITTEES OF THE TOWN FOR THE YEAR 2021. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2020-38. CARRIED.**

b) Trunk Road - Turnaround By-law

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-214**

**MOVED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BYLAW TO AUTHORIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GRAVEL SURFACE TURNAROUND AT THE WESTERN CLOSURE LIMIT OF TRUNK ROAD, AND THE FUTURE ASSUMPTION OF THE GRAVEL SURFACE TURNAROUND BY THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2020-39. CARRIED.**

c) Agreement with Light Haven

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-215**

**MOVED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BYLAW TO ADOPT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AND LIGHT HAVEN CHRISTIAN RETIREMENT HOME. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2020-40. CARRIED.**

d) Penokean Hills Farms Site Plan Control - 10%

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-216**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BYLAW TO ADOPT A SITE PLAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AND PENOKEAN HILLS FARMS INC. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2020-41. CARRIED.**

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-217**

**MOVED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DECLARES ROLL #05200 SURPLUS AND ADVERTISES IT FOR SALE. CARRIED.**

- agreement to also advertise potential stop-up and close of a portion of Lorne Street

13. New Business:

- a) AODA - accessibility plan and multi-year plan 2020-2025 and review of policies (on website) - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-218**

**MOVED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1. **THE ACCESSIBILITY PLAN AND MULTI-YEAR PLAN 2020-2025, AS PRESENTED.**
- 2. **POLICIES (ON WEBSITE), AS REVIEWED. CARRIED.**

- b) Emergency Preparedness - report to council by EMPC and MECG - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-219**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE 2020 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS REPORT TO COUNCIL AS PRESENTED BY THE EMPC AND MECG. CARRIED.**

- c) Surplus property:
  - roll #648-01 - council's direction: rescind former resolution and readvertise
  - roll #552 lot 7 request to declare surplus
  - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-220**

**MOVED BY: JODY ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DECLARES THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES SURPLUS AND OFFERS THEM FOR SALE:**

- 1. **ROLL 648-01 PLAN 2209 LOT A (RESCIND RESOLUTION #2015-109 PREVIOUSLY OFFERING IT FOR SALE AND READVERTISE)**

**CARRIED.**

- #2. Roll #552, lot 7 was removed as council didn't want to declare it surplus

- d) Letter from B. Nadon re: swimming pool request - response to be sent that the town is not interested in acquiring that piece of property or entertaining the idea of

a swimming pool due to cost but she can contact her municipality with her request

- e) HNCEA:
  - November update and Universal Broadband Fund Rapid Response Application
  - notes of Dec. 11 webinar
  - the mayor asked Joanne Falk to speak regarding the above and she provided some background information:
    - Huron Shores : cost \$150 million
    - Mayor Patteri expressed concerns i.e. technology changes so quickly
    - questions asked regarding Leepfrog
  - Draft letter of support for Leepfrog Initiative - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-221**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JODY ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES ENDORSES THE ATTACHED LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE LEEPFROG INITIATIVE AS REQUESTED BY HNCEA. CARRIED.**

- f) Great Lakes Waterfront Trail - update
- g) Bill C-213 - The Canada Pharmacare Act - request for support - file
- h) Municipality of Huron Shores letter re: broadband - discussed above under (e).

14. Communications: info.

- a) MMAH - Ontario Rebuilding and Recovery Act: Accelerating Infrastructure Initiatives Municipal Engagement
- b) Cemetery Care and Maintenance Funds and Accounts Framework under the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002: Consultation Paper
- c) AMO - update
- d) Minister of the Env., Conservation and Parks re: Waste Reduction Week
- e) OPP - October/20 summary
- f) FONOM to hold 2021 Annual Conference Virtually
- g) ADSB re: donations
- h) Moms Stop the Harm re: The Overdose Crisis

15. Closed: none

16. Confirmatory By-law



**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-222**

**MOVED BY: MARIOLA MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: JERRY BOGART**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BYLAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING DECEMBER 7, 2020. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2020-42. CARRIED.**

17. Adjourn

**MOTION NUMBER: 2020-223**

**MOVED BY: RICHARD O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: JODY ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DOES NOW ADJOURN AT 9:40 P.M., TO MEET AGAIN ON JANUARY 18, 2021, OR AT THE CALL OF THE MAYOR. CARRIED.**

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**MAYOR - Lory Patteri**

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**CLERK - Donna Brunke**