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MAYOR: LORY PATERI
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MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 4, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING IN THE BRUCE MINES MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 7:00 PM.

PRESENT:

MAYOR LORY PATERI

COUNCILLORS - JODY ORTO, SHANE ROCK, MARIOLA MORIN AND JAMIE STOPES

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR JUDY DAVIS

PUBLIC WORK OFFICER TOM PHILLIPS

1. Call to order by Mayor Patteri at 7:00 p.m. in the Bruce Mines council chambers
 - a) Land Acknowledgment
2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a)

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-228

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

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 NOVEMBER 4, 2024. CARRIED.

4. Committee of Adjustment/
Council of the Whole:
 - a)
5. Delegations:
 - a)
6. Reports:
 - i) PWO
 - a) Report
 - Maintenance completed for equipment for storage for spring and for winter.
 - Ash trees removed
 - Transfer station burned & ready for spring
 - Generator at the office to be repaired this upcoming week.
 - ESA inspections completed, small maintenance done.
 - Tractor infestation taken care of.
 - Concrete pad for HVAC units at the Health Centre installed.

- East Algoma Roads Superintendents Association has voted in favour of a new President, Mr. Dan See with Mike Pigeon as 1st Vice President.
- Discussion over the Holy Walk garage being donated. The smaller “Angels” shed needs to be dismantled and removed.

- ii) CBO/Zoning a)
- iii) Clerk a) Report
 - Celebrate Canada Grant application completed.
 - Letter to Health Centre tenants regarding the HVAC system has been disseminated.
 - Site Plan Control update, 9 Mitchell Street. Comments from the public are being accepted. Conditions to the application are pending.
 - Insurance questionnaires complete for the 2025 policy review.

- 7. Minutes: a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 7, 2024 and of the Special Meeting held October 7, 2024 and the Special Meeting held October 22, 2024. Resolution

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-229
MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR STOPES
SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2024, THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2024 AND THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2024, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

- 8. Old Business: a) Trailer Bylaw 99-22. For discussion purposes. New terms and additional clauses.

9. Committee Reports:

- i) Admin/student/hall: a) Expected COLA increase for 2024 is 5.32% As per Bylaw 2023-28 the 50% of COLA increase for the Mayor and Council for 2025 is therefore 2.66%. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-230
MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO
SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR STOPES
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES A 50% INCREASE (2.66%) OF THE COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE (COLA) FOR 2025 MAYOR AND COUNCIL HONORARIUMS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH REMUNERATION BYLAW #2023-28. CARRIED.

- ii) Fire Dept.: a) Application for the Volunteer Fire Department

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-231

Moved BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES ACCEPTS AND APPROVES THE APPLICATION OF JORDAN MEDVE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE BRUCE MINES VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT. CARRIED.

- iii) Health Centre/
Huron North West: a) Health Centre Financial Statement dated October 18, 2024. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-232

Moved BY: COUNCILLOR STOPES

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE HEALTH CENTRE FINANCIAL STATEMENT/FOR APPROVALS DATED OCTOBER 18, 2024, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

- b) Algoma Public Health - Board of Health Meeting Minutes, June 26, 2024.
- c) Algoma Board of Health Northern MOH Letter on Funding Review.
- iv) Library: a) Acting CEO Judy Duncanson has declined the position at the library. An advertisement for the position has been circulated.
- v) Culture and Tourism: a) Garage donated by the "Holy Walk" Committee. Garage to be used for the trails equipment and storage. The town will be responsible for the repair and maintenance of the garage. Council directed the Municipal Administrator to contact the Holy Walk Committee regarding the smaller shed on the grounds and that it be taken down. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-233

Moved BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AGREES TO REPAIR AND MAINTAIN THE GARAGE DONATED TO THE TRAIL BLAZERS BY THE HOLY WALK COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

- b) Discussion on campground rate increase for sites from \$42 to \$45 nightly. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-234

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AMENDS FEES & CHARGES BYLAW 2018-06 BY INCREASING THE NIGHTLY CAMPGROUND RATE FROM \$42.00 TO \$45.00. CARRIED.

- c) Free boat launches for veterans. Neighbouring marinas are offering the same. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-235

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR STOPES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES PROVIDES FREE BOAT LAUNCHES AT THE BRUCE MINES MARINA FOR VETERANS. CARRIED.

- d) Invasive Species Sign for Boat Launches. Signs being installed by the MNR. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-236

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES' REQUEST TO INSTALL AN INVASIVE SPECIES SIGN AT THE BRUCE MINES BOAT LAUNCH. CARRIED.

- vi) Planning:
 - a)
- vii) Recreation:
 - a) Trailblazers Meeting minutes from October 6, 2024
- viii) Tri-Neighbours:
 - a) Tri-Neighbours Board of Management Minutes of the Regular Zoom Meeting held October 10, 2024.
 - b) Invoice # 1022 for work completed by BDO on the Asset Retirement Obligation and calculations and notes to the Financial Statements.
- ix) Water/Wastewater/OCWA:
 - a) SGS Certificate of Analysis
- 10. Council Comments:
 - a) Councillor Morin suggested that the town consider round tables for the hall as they would attract renters for venues requiring a "more elegant" look. Staff was asked to provide quotes on the tables.
- 11. Disbursements:
 - November 4, 2024. Resolution

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-237

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE NOVEMBER 4, 2024 DISBURSEMENT SHEET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,891.53, 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. Bylaws/Tenders/Agreements: a) New Bylaw entering into an Employment Agreement with Tarra Lapensee as the Administrative Assistant starting January 2025. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-238

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

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 EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AND TARRA LAPENSEE. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2024-33. **CARRIED.**

- b) New Bylaw entering into a contract with Dave Pearse as the town's Bylaw Enforcement Officer and Animal Control Officer. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-239

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR STOPES

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

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 BYLAW ENFORCEMENT/ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AND DAVE PEARSE. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2024-34. **CARRIED.**

- c) New Bylaw entering into an agreement with the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation for a Conditional Contribution Agreement regarding the application for trails expansion, repair and maintenance. Resolution.

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-240

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR 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 A CONDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF

13. New Business:
- a) Mayor L Patteri, or Acting Mayor J Orto to represent the town at the Remembrance Day Services by the laying of the Town Wreath.
 - b) Tomlinson, Compliance Assessment Report, OTR Quarry, Licence # 612201.
14. Communications:
- a) Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) Bruce Mines Lagoon Discharge, to take place November 1st through 15th, 2024.
 - b) GTA Strategies seeking municipal support for proclaiming December “Christian Heritage Month”.
 - c) Good Roads - Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program
 - d) Ministry of Energy and Electrification - Ontario’s Affordable Energy Future: The Pressing Case For More Power.
 - e) The Bruce Mines & District Chamber of Commerce - celebrating 130 years
 - f) Enbridge Gas - Notice of a Rate Hearing
15. Closed a) Identifiable Individual

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-241

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES PROCEEDS INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:33 PM TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING SUBJECT MATTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MUNICIPAL ACT.

- S.239(2)a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- c) a proposed or pending acquisition of land for municipal or local board purposes;
- d) labour relation or employee negotiations;
- e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- f) the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
- g) a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body has authorized a meeting to be closed under another Act;
- h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them
- i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;
- j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; or
- k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.
- S.239(3) subject matter relates to the consideration of a request under the MFIPP if the council, board, commission or other body is the head of an institution for the purposes of that Act.
- S.239(3.1)1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.

2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 103 (1) **CARRIED.**

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-242

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES HEREBY RETURNS TO OPEN SESSION OF COUNCIL AT 8:39 P.M.

CARRIED.

16. Confirmatory Bylaw

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-243

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO

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 MEETINGS OCTOBER 22, 2024 AND NOVEMBER 4, 2024. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2024-36.

CARRIED.

17. Adjourn

MOTION NUMBER: 2024-244

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK

SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DOES NOW ADJOURN AT 8:42 P.M., TO MEET AGAIN ON DECEMBER 2, 2024, OR AT THE CALL OF THE MAYOR.

CARRIED.

MAYOR - Lory Patteri

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR - Judy Davis