



# The Corporation of the Town of Bruce Mines

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MAYOR: LORY PATERI  
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## MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4TH, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING IN THE BRUCE MINES MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 7:00 PM.

### PRESENT:

**MAYOR LORY PATERI**

**COUNCILLORS - MARIOLA MORIN, JODY ORTO, SHANE ROCK  
VIA ZOOM COUNCILLOR JAMIE STOPES**

**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR JUDY DAVIS**

**PUBLIC WORKS OFFICER TOM PHILLIPS**

**OBSERVERS - MASON WATSON, ANGELO MAIONE, LOIS HART, JIM  
MCCULLOCH AND RANDY MORIN**

1. Call to order by Mayor Patteri at 6:58 p.m. in the Bruce Mines Council Chambers
  - a) Land Acknowledgment
2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
  - a) Councillor Mariola Morin
  - b) Councillor Shane Rock
  - c) Councillor Jody Orto
3. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-294**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN  
OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA FOR THE  
ADDITION OF A DELEGATION. THAT DELEGATION BEING J. MCCULLOCH  
REGARDING A HYDRO POLE ON MITCHELL STREET. CARRIED.**

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-295**

**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 WITH REVISED ORDER OF  
BUSINESS, FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL DECEMBER 4, 2023.**

**CARRIED.**

**COUNCILLOR MORIN LEFT THE CHAMBERS IN LIEU OF A CONFLICT OF  
INTEREST REGARDING MITCHELL STREET.**

4. Committee of Adjustment/  
Council of the Whole:
  - a)

5. Delegations:
- a) Maione, A. Hydro Pole, Mitchell Street
  - b) Hart, L. Hydro Pole, Mitchell Street
    - The delegations expressed their views concerning the need for a hydro pole on Mitchell Street, the location of the pole and the events which have led to a hole being made in preparation of a hydro pole by the town on the town's property.
    - The delegations gave an account of how the issue affects them and their properties personally.
6. Closed
- a) Identifiable Individuals. The receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, and approving the PWO to be part of the closed session. Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-296**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES: PROCEEDS INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:20 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

**APPROVES INCLUDING THE PUBLIC WORKS OFFICER IN THE CLOSED SESSION. CARRIED.**

b) Come out of closed session - Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-297**

**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 8:03 P.M. CARRIED.**

- council determined to return to open session to debate the options available to the town concerning the hydro pole on Mitchell Street.

**COUNCILLOR MORIN RETURNED TO THE CHAMBERS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING.**

7. Reports:

i) PWO

a) Report  
- Hydro Pole, Mitchell Street, Resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-298**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES WILL APPROACH THE PROPERTY OWNERS ON MITCHELL STREET REGARDING THE HYDRO POLE OPTIONS, SPECIFICALLY RELATING TO THE CURRENT HYDRO POLE HOLE OR AN EXISTING OVERHEAD WIRE. CARRIED.**

- Plowing and sanding equipment working well
- Superior Propane to remove tank from the town garage next 2-3 weeks
- 3 spruce trees down, removed.
- MNM completed site visit regarding mine hazard fencing on trails
- Tiles replaced at medical centre
- Information on GPS sander monitor
- Information on street view cameras for monitoring the weather.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-299**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE PURCHASE OF WEATHER CAMERAS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,582.00. CARRIED.**

- ii) CBO/Zoning
  - a) Discussion. Zoning Bylaw 2015-17 regarding storage containers and home based businesses. Direction to Municipal Administrator. Each property owner must approach the town for a Zoning Bylaw Amendment.
  
- iii) Clerk
  - a) Report
    - Updated Minor Variance application completed by Planners JLRichards
    - MTO permits for radar signs expire in 5yrs.
    - OPP Detachment Board looking for Community and Provincial nominees for seats on the Board. The town to advertise.
    - Karen Ykema, new social worker has started and is available by appointment Monday at the library and Wednesday at the Bruce Mines Community Hall
    - Statistics Canada Core Public Infrastructure Survey 2022 underway.
    - Trailblazers Committee seeking approval for funding application with NOHFC. The town approves facilitating the application and recognizes the town would be responsible for 10% of the total fund awarded.
    - FONOM 2024 Annual conference, May 6-8
    - EV charging stations are of interest to the town and is looking into them.
    - Marina insurance claim. To date the town has paid a \$10,000 deductible and an additional \$53,907.13 towards the claim with an additional \$22,595.68 in taxes.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-300**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DIRECTS THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE TRAILBLAZERS COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING FROM NOHFC.**

**CARRIED.**

- 8. Minutes:
  - a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting November 6 2023. Resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-301**

**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 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 6, 2023, AS PRESENTED.**

**CARRIED.**

9. Old Business: a)
10. Committee Reports:
- i) Admin/student/hall: a) 2024 Schedule of Regular Council Meetings Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-302**

**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 2024 SCHEDULE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS, AS AMENDED. CARRIED.**

- ii) Fire Dept.: a)
- iii) Health Centre/  
Huron North West: a) Algoma Public Health - Board of Health Meeting Minutes, September 17, 2023
- iv) Library: a)
- v) Culture and Tourism: a) Meeting held November 23, 2023.  
- Operations Manager's manual reviewed  
- Additions to the 2024 check list for opening and operating procedures
- vi) Planning: a)
- vii) Recreation: a) Trailblazers, Minutes of meeting held November 26, 2023
- b) Tourism Summit update.  
- Vendors showcasing, Provincial grants and programs explained.
- c) 2024 Triathlon, child's event and the use of Jack's Island Beach on Bruce Street.  
Resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-303**

**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 REQUEST OF THE TRIATHLON COMMITTEE FOR USE OF THE JACKS ISLAND BEACH TO ACCOMMODATE A CHILD'S EVENT AT THE 2024 TRIATHLON. CARRIED.**

- viii) Tri-Neighbours: a) Minutes of Regular Zoom Meeting October 11, 2023.

- b)
- ix) Water/Wastewater/OCWA:
  - a) SGS Certificate of Analysis
  - b) OCWA's Water Wastewater Rate Study. Special Meeting with OCWA to take place in December, 2023

11. Council Comments:

12. Disbursements: December 4, 2023. Resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-304A**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE DECEMBER 4, 2023 DISBURSEMENT SHEET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$221,647.61 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.**

13. Bylaws/Tenders/Agreements:

- a) Appointments Bylaw for calendar year 2024 Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-304**

**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 APPOINT OFFICERS AND MEMBERS TO SERVE ON BOARDS AND COMMITTEES OF THE TOWN FOR THE YEAR 2024. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2023-43. CARRIED.**

14. New Business:

- a) Police Board Composition. Community Representative and Provincial Appointment seats. Advertisement for public nominations. Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-305**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AGREES TO ADVERTISE FOR A COMMUNITY MEMBER TO SIT ON THE OPP POLICE BOARD. CARRIED.**

- b) Emergency Management - Report to council Annual compliance. Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-306**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES ACCEPTS THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT AS PRESENTED AND APPROVES APPOINTMENTS TO THE EMPC AND MECG YEARLY UNDER THE TOWN'S APPOINTMENT BYLAW. CARRIED.**

- c) Accessibility Plan - update. Resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-307**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE UPDATED TOWN OF BRUCE MINES ACCESSIBILITY PLAN, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.**

- d) FONOM - 2024 Annual Conference to be held May 6, 7, 8, 2024 in Sudbury. Delegation Registration Form Resolution.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-308**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AUTHORIZES TWO (2) MEMBERS OF COUNCIL TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL FONOM CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN SUDBURY, MAY 6 - 8, 2024 WITH EXPENSES. CARRIED.**

- e) Review of Sault Ste. Marie - Intimate Partners Violence Letter and Resolution. Resolution in support.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-309**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES SUPPORTS THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE IN DECLARING THAT INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE HAVE BECOME AN EPIDEMIC AND SPECIFICALLY FOR RECOMMENDATION #1 OF THE INQUEST FOR THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO TO FORMALLY DECLARE INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AN EPIDEMIC; AND THAT WE TOO RECOGNIZE THAT ISSUES OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE ARE MATTERS OF LOCAL IMPORTANCE, INCLUDING PUBLIC HEALTH, EMS, COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY SAFETY. CARRIED.**

- f) Ontario Command Legion's 11<sup>th</sup> annual edition of the Military Service Recognition Book. Rate sheet. Resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-310**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES SUPPORTS THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BY PURCHASING AN AD IN THEIR "MILITARY SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK" AT A COST OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_, PLUS HST. **DEFEATED.****

- g) Review of Township of McKellar Resolution No. 2023-671 regarding a Call for an Amendment to Legislation Act, 2006 - *to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations.* Resolution in support.

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-311**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES SUPPORTS THE TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR IN THEIR REQUEST THAT THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO THE *LEGISLATION ACT, 2006* TO INCLUDE DIGITAL PUBLICATIONS AS AN ACCEPTABLE MEANS OF PUBLICATION AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVINCIAL ACTS AND REGULATIONS. **CARRIED.****

- h) Review of Municipality of Wawa Resolution RC23265 regarding volunteer firefighters tax credit. Resolution in support

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-312**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILLOR ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES SUPPORTS THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WAWA IN THEIR CALL UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO SUPPORT BILL C-310 AND ENACT AMENDMENTS TO SUBSECTIONS 118.06 (2) AND 118.07 (2) OF THE INCOME TAX ACT IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDITS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTING AND SEARCH AND RESCUE VOLUNTEER SERVICES FROM \$3,000 TO \$10,000. **CARRIED.****

15. Communications:

- a) Carol Hughes, MP Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing Community Newsletter Fall 2023. Calendar of Constituency Clinics 2024. News item created for town's website.
- b) North Shore Health Network - Strategic Plan 2024-2026.
- c) Thank you card and bookmarks from the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 211.
- d) Thank you card from Copper Country Christmas, Clara and Pat.



16. Confirmatory By-law

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-313**

**MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR ROCK**

**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 CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING DECEMBER 4, 2023. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2023-44. CARRIED.**

17. Adjourn

**MOTION NUMBER: 2023-314**

**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 9:45 P.M., TO MEET AGAIN ON JANUARY 8, 2024, OR AT THE CALL OF THE MAYOR. CARRIED.**

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**MAYOR - Lory Patteri**

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**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR - Judy Davis**