



TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT

*Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

The following minutes are comprised of resolutions and the Clerk's interpretation of the meeting.

Present: L. Smith, R. Wigmore, U. Abbott, D. Farrar, D McClelland  
Staff: C. Orchard, K. Barber, G. Martin

Res: 74-2020 D. Farrar, R. Wigmore

Be it resolved this meeting is called to order at 6:03pm. (cd)

Res: 75-2020 D. Farrar, D. McClelland

Be it resolved that Council adopts the minutes of October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as presented. (cd)

Res: 76-2020 U. Abbott, D. McClelland

Be it resolved that Council approves the Statements for October and November 2020 as presented. (cd)

Roads Report: Keith is still having issues remediating a problem with a fence on Mcknight road at the creek, when the water comes up in a big rain debris gets caught in the fence and causes the water to back up and undermine the road bed. The Clerk will send a letter to the property owner asking them to remediate the issue a.s.a.p.

There is still a dock piled on the government dock on Port Findlay road that needs to be moved. The Clerk will send a letter to the possible owners of the dock asking to have the dock removed a.s.a.p as Keith needs that area for a plow turn around in the winter.

Licence for pick up trucks need to be renewed before staff are off for the holidays. Clerk will arrange for licence renewal before the end of the year.

Clerks Report: We have not had any calls on the plow truck that we have up for sale. Council suggested that we ask if we can park the truck at the 17E trading post in order for it to be seen by the highway traffic, they also suggested that the truck be listed with Northern Equipment Trader. The Clerk informed Council members of the share shed closure for the month of January in order to mitigate any risk to the staff and volunteers at the share shed should there be an increase in COVID cases over the holidays.

Res: 77-2020 D. Farrar, R. Wigmore

Be is resolved that Council adopts the addendum to the December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting as presented. (cd)



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Phone Poll Res: 73-2020 U. Abbott, D. Farrar

Be it resolved that the Council of Tarbutt gives a first, second and third reading and finally passes by-law number 14-2020 being a by-law to authorize the borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the principal amount of \$254,250.00 towards the cost of roads equipment replacement upgrade. (cd)

Res: 78-2020 D. McClelland, U. Abbott

Be it resolved that council approves the holiday closure of the Municipal office from December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 – January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021. (cd)

Res: 79-2020 R. Wigmore, U. Abbott

Be it resolved that Council approves the distribution of Staff and Volunteer year end bonus in the amount of \$75 per person (cd)

Res: 80-2020 D. Farrar, R. Wigmore

Be it resolved that Council agrees to pay Lois Charron 10% of the share shed donations for 2020 in appreciation of her volunteer work. (cd.)

Res: 81-2020 R. Wigmore, U. Abbott

Be it resolved that Council approves a donation in the amount of \$1,000 in recognition of his 20 years as Fire Chief (Paul Ackland) (cd.)

Res: 82-2020 U. Abbott, D. McClelland

Be it resolved that Council supports the City of Belleville in their request to the Province to provide financial and technical support for Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act regarding Municipal websites.

Whereas Section 14(4) of O. Reg 191/11 under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act requires designated public sector organizations to conform to WCAG 2.0 Level AA by January 1, 2021; and

Whereas Tarbutt Township remains committed to the provision of accessible goods and services; and

Whereas Tarbutt Township provides accommodations to meet any stated accessibility need, where possible; and

Whereas the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act contemplates the need to consider technical or economic considerations in the implementation of Accessibility Standards;

Be it therefore resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Tarbutt requests that the Province of Ontario consider providing funding support and technical training resources to municipalities to meets these compliance standards; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Premiers of the Province of Ontario, Algoma Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha, and The Association of Municipalities of Ontario.



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Res: 83-2020 U. Abbott, D. Farrar

Be it resolved that Council approves the signing of the contract between Tarbutt Township and Ferrovial Services for winter maintenance sand at a cost of \$27.71/Tonne up to 850 tonnes and \$33.39/Tonne after 850 tonnes (cd.)

Res: 84-2020 R. Wigmore, D. McClelland

Be it resolved that council approves the disbursement of the Fire Volunteer Honorariums for 2020 as presented. (cd.)

Res: 85-2020 R. Wigmore, D. Farrar

Be it resolved that Council approves staff to apply for funding through ICIP COVID resilience stream for an addition to the Municipal Roads Garage. Application closing date is December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020(cd.)

Res: 86-2020 D. McClelland, R. Wigmore

Be it resolved that council supports Howick Townships resolution regarding the Tile Loan Program.

Whereas installing tile drainage is a common land improvement practice among farmers in Ontario and the benefits of tile drainage for crop productivity, farm efficiency and even for reducing environmental impacts have been studied and are generally well known to farmers; and

Whereas the tile loan program, authorized by the Tile Drainage Act, provides loans to agricultural property owners to help them finance these tile drainage projects all tile loans have 10-year terms and repayments are made annually; and

Whereas the Provincial government sets the program interest rate at a competitive level which was reduced from 8% to 6% in the fall of 2004 and the competitive level which was reduced from 8% to 6% in the fall of 2004 and the loan limit was also increased from \$20,000 to \$50,000 at the same time; and

Whereas interest rates have continued to decline over the years and the cost per acre for tile drainage has increased over the year;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council requests the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to consider lowering the interest rate on Tile Drain Loans to 4% and increasing the yearly loan limit to \$100,000; and

That this resolution be forwarded to Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; Algoma Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha; AMO; Land Improvement Contractors of Ontario and Drainage Superintendents of Ontario Association.(cd.)

87-2020 D. McClelland, D. Farrar



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Be it resolved that Council supports Jean Rickaby on her application to represent Tarbutt Township as the community volunteer for seniors/disabled services on the Trefry Centre Board. (cd.)

88-2020 D. Farrar, U. Abbott

Whereas staff has been in contact with Algoma Insurance Brokers; and

Whereas Algoma Insurance Brokers has not received Tarbutt Townships Municipal insurance fee schedule as of today; and

Whereas the property portion of the insurance policy needs to be signed by the Township and received by Algoma Insurance before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021; and

Whereas Council will not be meeting again before the end of the year.

Therefore be it resolved that Council gives signing authority to the Mayor and Clerk for the property portion of the Municipal insurance policy. The remainder of the policy has been granted an extension by Marsh Canada and will be brought to the next meeting of Council in January of 2021 for approval.(cd.)

89-2020 D. Farrar, D. McClelland

Whereas the Municipal Act S.O 2001 CH, 25, As amended, section 239 (2) permits closed meetings.

Therefore bit it resolved that Council proceeds in closed session at 7:15pm in order to address a matter pertaining to: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; labour relations and negotiations. (cd.)

90- 2020 U. Abbott, D. McClelland

Be it resolved that Council comes out of closed session at 8:00pm. (cd.)

91-2020 R. Wigmore, D. Farrar

Be it resolved that Council adopts by-law 12-2020 being a confirming by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Council. (cd.)

92-2020 U. Abbott, D. Farrar

Be it resolved that Council adjourns at 8:45pm until the next scheduled meeting of council on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 6pm or at the call of the Mayor. (cd.)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor: L. Smith

Acting Clerk: C. Orchard