

Council Meeting
Tuesday April 6, 2021, at 7:00 pm
Virtual

Present: Peter McIsaac, Mayor
Randy Hall, Deputy Mayor
Dave Britton, Councillor
Debbie Piekarski, Councillor

Staff: Maureen Lang, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Terry Lang, IT

Presentations: None

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof:
None

2021- 95	Moved by: D. Britton	Seconded by: D. Piekarski	
	That the agenda of the Regular Council meeting of April 6, 2021 be approved		Carried
2021-96	Moved by: D. Piekarski	Seconded by: R. Hall	
	That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 16, 2021, be adopted.		Carried
2021-97	Moved by: R. Hall	Seconded by: D. Britton	
	That the minutes of the Emergency Control Group meeting of March 17, 2021 be received.		Carried
2021-98	Moved by: D. Britton	Seconded by: R. Hall	
	That the minutes of the Emergency Control Group meeting of March 31, 2021 be received.		Carried
2021-99	Moved by: R. Hall	Seconded by: D. Piekarski	
	That the budget and levy from the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority, be received.		Carried
2021-100	Moved by: D. Piekarski	Seconded by: R. Hall	
	That the staycation proposal from the ACED committee be received, and further that we do not participate.		Carried
2021-101	Moved by: R. Hall	Seconded by: D. Britton	
	That the land ambulance budget for 2021, be received.		Carried
2021-102	Moved by: D. Britton	Seconded by: D. Piekarski	
	That the draft minutes dated March 22, 2021 from the Powassan and District Union Public Library Board, be received.		Carried

2021-103

Moved by: D. Piekarski

Seconded by: R. Hall

Whereas, the Municipality of Powassan is within the district of the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (Health Unit); and

Whereas, the Health Unit received its first allocation of vaccine more than a month and a half later than Southern Ontario and Ottawa health regions; and

Whereas, vaccine allocation for the Health Unit has not increased over time to compensate for the delay in provision of the first vaccine allocation; and

Whereas, COVID-19 transmission rates in Northern Ontario, as evidenced by the effective reproduction numbers $R_{(t)}$, are among the highest in the province; and

Whereas, due to the vaccine allocation, the Health Unit is still in phase 1 of the rollout while public health unit regions in Southern Ontario and Ottawa are in phase 2; and

Whereas, 26.5% of the population in the Parry Sound District and 22.4% of the population in the Nipissing District are aged 65 years or older, compared to 16.7% for all of Ontario (2016 Census); and

Whereas, the delay in the Health Unit vaccine allocations is causing increasing inequities in the booking of COVID-19 vaccination clinics; and

Whereas, due to the vaccine allocation, Indigenous populations have not received their required allocation.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Municipality of Powassan requests that the vaccine allocation be prioritized to public health unit regions that are still in phase 1 to enable them to catch up to those regions in Southern Ontario and Ottawa; and

Furthermore Be It Resolved, that this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Christine Elliot, Minister of Health, Vic Fedeli, MPP – Nipissing, Norm Miller, MPP – Parry Sound-Muskoka, John Vanthof, MPP – Timiskaming-Cochrane, Mayors/Reeves within the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit district, Ontario Boards of Health, and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA).

Carried

2021-104

Moved by: D. Piekarski

Seconded by: D. Britton

That the 2020 Statement of Council Remuneration and Expenses, be received.

Carried

2021-105

Moved by: D. Piekarski

Seconded by: R. Hall

That the 2021 Health and Safety Policy, be adopted.

Carried

2021-106

Moved by: D. Piekarski

Seconded by: D. Britton

That By-law 2021-08, being a by-law to authorize an agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan and Steve Eide, Eide's Residential Home, under the Boarding Home Contract Program of the Ministry of Health,

READ a FIRST and SECOND time the 16th day of March, 2021

READ a THIRD and FINAL time and considered passed on this the 6th day of April, 2021

Carried

2021-107

Moved by: R. Hall

Seconded by: D. Piekarski

That by-law 2020-10, being a by-law to provide for reduced load periods within the Municipality of Powassan,
 READ a FIRST and SECOND time the 16th day of March, 2021
 READ a THIRD and FINAL time and passed as such in open Council this the 6th day of April, 2021

Carried

2021-108 Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton

That By-law 2021-11, Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 2003-38, as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Municipality of Powassan with respect to lands located in Concession 5, Part Lot 25, Rem Pcl 17132 NS (866 Hemlock Road), in the Municipality of Powassan.
 READ a FIRST and SECOND time the 6th of April, 2021
 To be READ a THIRD time a finally passed the 20th day of April, 2021

Carried

2021-109 Moved by: D. Piekarski Seconded by: R. Hall

That By-law 2021-12, Being a By-law to appoint a Tile Drainage Inspector,
 READ a FIRST and SECOND time the 6th of April, 2021
 To be READ a THIRD time a finally passed the 20th day of April, 2021

Carried

2021-110 Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: R. Hall

That the correspondence dated March 24, 2021 from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding the Powassan Drinking Water System 2020 Annual Inspection, be received.
 Recorded Vote: Requested By D. Britton
 Councillor Hall YEA
 Councillor Britton YEA
 Councillor Piekarski YEA
 Mayor McIsaac YEA

Carried

2021-111 Moved by: D. Piekarski Seconded by: R. Hall

That the correspondence dated March 29, 2021 from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services regarding the Fire Safety Grant Agreement, be received
 And further that the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer be approved to execute the Transfer Payment Agreement.

Carried

2021-112 Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton

That the correspondence dated March 30, 2021 from the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management regarding EMCPA Compliance for 2020, be received.

Carried

2021-113 Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton

That staff be directed to create a resolution for the Offices of the MP and MPP, AMO and municipalities regarding price gouging in building materials.

Carried

2021-114 Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Piekarski

That the correspondence from FONOM regarding 2021 virtual annual conference, be received.

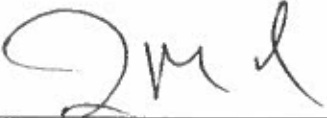
Carried

2021-115 Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton

That correspondence from AMO regarding one-time doubling of Gas Tax, be received.

Carried

- 2021-116** Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: D. Piekarski
That the correspondence dated March 19, 2021 from the Township of Perry regarding Project D.A.R.E. facilities, be received. **Carried**
- 2021-117** Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Piekarski
That the accounts payable listing reports dated March 17, 26 and April 1, 2021 in the total amount of \$455,898.53 be approved for payment. **Carried**
- 2021-118** Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That Council now adjourns to closed session at 8:37 pm to discuss:
18.1 Adoption of Closed Session minutes of March 16, 2021
18.2 Identifiable Individual- Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act and under 6(1)(b) of the Procedural Bylaw-Matters regarding an identifiable individual.
- 2021-119** Moved by: D. Piekarski Seconded by: R. Hall
That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 8:57pm **Carried**
- 2021-120** Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton
That Council now adjourns at 8:58 pm. **Carried**



Mayor



CAO/Clerk-Treasurer