

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PICKLE LAKE

MINUTES

Of the Regular Meeting of Council held

Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Office

PRESENT

Karl Hopf, Mayor
 Richard Dunbabin, Councilor
 Debbie Chartrand, Councilor
 William Mackechnie, Councilor
 Manuela Batovanja, Clerk-Treasurer
 James Brown, Operations Manager
 Eric Dalzell, Fire Chief

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Chief Connie Gray-McKay
 Councillor Brenda Fox
 Councillor David Masakeyash
 Councillor Maryanne Panacheese

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<p>1. <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER</u> 1.1. Resolution: 15-17 Moved By: Debbie Chartrand Seconded By: William Mackechnie BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 7:31 p.m. this Regular Meeting of Council for The Corporation of The Township of Pickle Lake is called to order by Mayor Karl Hopf. CARRIED</p>		
<p>2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST</u> 2.1. NONE.</p>		
<p>3. <u>MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</u> 3.1. NONE</p>		

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<p>4. <u>ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</u></p> <p>4.1. Resolution: 15-18 Moved By: Debbie Chartrand Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for The Corporation of The Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Tuesday, December 22, 2014 and the Regular Meeting of Council held Tuesday, January 13, 2015 be adopted as circulated.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>		
<p>5. <u>DELEGATIONS</u></p> <p>5.1. Mishkeegogamang First Nation Chief and Council. Chief Gray McKay and Councillor Fox spoke to the ongoing social issues in both Pickle Lake and Mishkeegogamang. Chief Gray McKay spoke about a justice review recommendation which took place in the 80's and indicated to Council that Mishkeegogamang has asked that criminal court be moved from Pickle Lake to Mishkeegogamang. She commented that the decision was more of a social focus; e.g. the LCBO is in Pickle Lake, having a voice in the community, the Mishkeegogamang Community Hall would be the location, video conferencing would be used, N.A.P.S. is there. Mayor Hopf asked how that would pertain to Pickle Lake i.e. would Pickle Lake residents be required to attend court in Mishkeegogamang. Chief Gray McKay indicated that they would be starting out with criminal court and would grow from there. Mayor Hopf asked when this might begin, Chief Gray McKay indicated that there was no set date, they were still in negotiations and NAN Legal is working with Mishkeegogamang. Mayor Hopf asked if any of the Pickle Lake Councillors were opposed. There was no opposition from the Pickle Lake Council. Chief Gray McKay stated that Mishkeegogamang was looking to partner with Pickle Lake, and requested a letter of support in regard to the moving of the court house from Pickle Lake to Mishkeegogamang. Mayor Hopf informed Chief Gray McKay that a letter should be sent to the Clerk Treasurer. Mayor Hopf indicated that he would like to see the construction of a public washroom facility in Pickle Lake during the summer months. Mayor Hopf asked if it would be possible for Chief, Mayor and Council of the two communities to meet on a monthly.</p>		

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<p>Chief Gray McKay agreed that they could meet monthly and added that we must look at historical perspectives and commented that it would be nice to have people who have a good grasp on the social aspects and behaviors. Mayor Hopf asked that Chief and Council please advise as to which days would be good for Mishkeegogamang and indicated that day time meetings would be difficult for Pickle Lake.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf passed on greetings from Mr. Bob Nault to Chief Gray McKay</p> <p>Councillor Masakeyash congratulated everyone on their election. He agreed that regular meetings are part of the solution and stated that it won't be easy and that there was a long road ahead. He suggested that the work needs to get out to both communities and that we should utilize each other's resources. He suggested that we start with meetings and build from there.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand commented that this is something that we have been trying to implement for many years.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf commented that the court house in Mishkeegogamang alleviates the issue of a proper facility in Pickle Lake.</p> <p>Chief Gray McKay reiterated that partnerships are a key in funding, and stated that she felt it would go a long way. She indicated that Mishkeegogamang would share the judicial review with Pickle Lake.</p> <p>Councillor Masakeyash indicated that it was important for everyone to attend the Ring of Fire meeting on the 29th.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf asked the Pickle Lake Councillors to please try to attend.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf explained that as part of the land use planning process for Pickle Lake it is important for us to know, understand and work together.</p> <p>Councillor Masakeyash indicated that there are some areas within the boundaries of the Township of Pickle Lake which are traditional Mishkeegogamang area's and asked if they were still open to discussion.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf informed everyone that we need to update our official plan, and is hoping this will occur in March or April, he stated that the meeting were always open to the public. He also suggested that we liaison with our consultant in order to determine if we can incorporate traditional territory into our official plan, Mayor Hopf further explained that we are bound by legislation as to what we are allowed to incorporate into our official plan.</p> <p>Councillor Masakeyash asked about gravesites, indicating that there were unmarked graves across Pickle Lake and some up the Kawinogans River.</p> <p>Councilor Chartrand indicated that there were two gravesites indicated on Kapkichi Lake.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf suggested that in the summer we go with the elder to have the sites identified so that they could be incorporated into the official plan.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand informed Chief Gray McKay and Council that when there is a burial in Pickle Lake we are bound by the Cemetery Act and as such there is paperwork which needs to be completed before we can proceed with the burial.</p>		

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<p>Chief Gray McKay explained that she understood that there was a bureaucracy which needed to be followed however, there needs to be respect for the families and their grieving as well.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf spoke to the problem in regards to the limited amount of hydroelectric power and how crucial it was to the growth of both Pickle Lake and Mishkeegogamang.</p> <p>Councillor Masakeyash spoke about the two proponents, Wataynikaneyap Power, comprised of 18 groups with a target date of the end of 2015 and a project cost of \$1.1 billion, their cost of bringing power to Pickle Lake is less than the project proposed by Mishkeegogamang but more expensive for the areas north of Pickle Lake, it is felt that they are having problems finding investors. Councillor Masakeyash indicated that there is potential funding from a mining partner who would in turn have full access to traditional territory. Councillor Masakeyash suggested that it was much easier to follow the hwy599 corridor than to cut through the forest. He explained that at one time Hydro One was going to facilitate the project but that now they can't. Although, everyone seems to have come to an impasse Mishkeegogamang is planning on moving forward. Goldcorp (Musselwhite has not made a commitment. Mayor Hopf indicated that Pickle Lake would look at supporting Mishkeegogamang in their proposed hydro project.</p> <p>Chief Gray McKay informed Mayor and Council that there was information regarding the transmission line on the Sagatay website.</p> <p>Councilor Masakeyash indicated that they may be interested in purchasing industrial land along the highway 599 corridor pertaining to economic possibilities which may arise from the Ring of Fire project.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf indicated that he did not foresee a problem with this and indicated that there may be some reasonable opportunities, some being in the private sector.</p> <p>Councillor Masakeyash asked if Tarp Lake was within the Township of Pickle Lake boundaries.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf explained that our boundaries end 3-4 miles north of Pickle Lake, we would have to refer to the GIS locates done in 1988 by Placer Dome in order to confirm the exact location.</p> <p>Discussion ensued regarding the Nord Road and how it is funded by various ministries and that there is not an obligation to maintain that road at a higher standard.</p> <p>Chief Gray McKay asked about the possibility of guard rails being installed.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf explained that the Hwy is deemed a class 4 therefore requirements are reduced.</p> <p>Chief Gray McKay indicated that they need a letter of support for funding proposals and a resolution of support for the transmission line.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf indicated that we need to have some questions answered such as how many megawatts are they proposing to bring through.</p> <p>Chief Gray McKay indicated the Mishkeegogamang was concerned with the possibility of Ignace becoming a storage site for nuclear waste and informed Mayor and Council that NAN does not support this.</p>		

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<p>Mayor Hopf indicated that he would ask the Mayor of Ignace the status of the nuclear project. Councillor Masakeyash informed Mayor and Council that Mishkeegogamang is in the process of transferring land in order to join the two reserves together, at present the island is excluded. Councillor Dunbabin asked if Lake St. Joe campsites would be inside the boundary. Mayor Hopf asked if there would be public meetings. Councillor Masakeyash indicated that there would be and federal and provincial representatives would be in attendance as well as OPG. It was decided that it would be preferable to have future meetings in the evening and that a preliminary agenda should be drafted. Councillor Fox would like to include social impacts of the ring of fire to the agenda Councillor Chartrand suggested that we develop a solution to carry North. Chief Gray McKay indicated that we need a writer to put proposals together, she spoke to the issue with high schools and the kids in Thunder Bay asking how we bring education back home. Councilor Masakeyash asked what happened with Pickle Lake’s plan for a new court house. Mayor Hopf explained that the proposal was for a multiplex across from the high school, at the last minute one of the partners backed out and we couldn’t afford to proceed with the project.</p>		
<p>6. <u>REPORTS</u> 6.1. <u>Mayor & Council</u> 6.1.1. Councilor Chartrand reported that a fridge had been purchased by the curling club for the curling rink canteen. Three are five teams signed up for the season. There was a kids curling program through the school. 6.1.2. Councilor Mackechnie suggested that we provide a fitness incentive for employees and members of the public in order to try and encourage more use of the fitness center. Councillor Chartrand stated it would be good to look to. Council requested information on the current number and type of memberships. 6.1.3. Councilor Mackechnie asked if there were enough internet problems reported to warrant calling the technician in from Winnipeg. Councillor Chartrand advised that there were four households across the river in Central Patricia without service and Councillor Mackechnie stated that his household had been added to the list as well. 6.1.4. Councillor Mackechnie requested that a cell phone be purchased for his use as a Councillor and offered to pay some of the cost himself.</p>		

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<p>6.1.5. Mayor Hopf stated that this is a tool for Councillors; Council gave direction to the Clerk Treasurer to purchase a cell phone for Councillor Mackechnie.</p> <p>6.1.6. Mayor Hopf spoke about the O.P.P. three phase selection process. He informed Council that he had met Chief Wilfred King of Gull Bay during the interview process. Chief King indicated that he would be visiting Pickle Lake in the spring.</p> <p>6.1.7. Councilor Dunbabin had nothing to report on.</p> <p>6.2. <u>Clerk Treasurer</u></p> <p>6.2.1. The Clerk Treasurer reviewed her report with Council.</p> <p>6.2.2. Resolution: 15-18 Moved By: Debbie Chartrand Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for The Corporation of The Township of Pickle Lake hereby authorizes Mayor and Council to attend the Councillor training in Ignace February 5, 2015 expenses to be paid as per Township By-Law.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p> <p>6.1. <u>Operations Manager</u></p> <p>6.1.1. The Operations Manager reviewed his report with Council. The Operations Manager indicated that there is still a leak at Lakeview Crescent, the City of Dryden is lending us some leak detection equipment, the preference would be to not excavate this time of year. Mayor Hopf indicated that if the leak was to appear in a basement our hands would be tied and we would have to proceed. Councillor Dunbabin asked if there was a concern of water flowing across the road and creating icy patches. The Operations Manager suggested that it was a greater concern to excavate as it could result in a broken main which would be difficult to repair in -40 temperatures. Presently the water is running into the lake and the snow is acting as an insulator to help prevent it from freezing.</p> <p>6.1.2. Interviews for the two public works positions; casual and temporary 6 months, will be held Friday, January 30, 2015 starting at 1:30 p.m. Mayor Hopf and Councillor Mackechnie will be attending on behalf of Council.</p> <p>6.1.3. There was a complaint received from 17 Lakeview concerning smoke from an outdoor furnace. Mayor Hopf asked if it was the first complaint. The Operations Manager indicated that there was an initial complaint during the transition of the two Councils.</p>		

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<p>Council directed the Clerk to email the Chief Building Official regarding the matter, they had questions as to how the building code relates to outdoor wood furnaces and requested the C.B.O. investigate possible solutions.</p> <p>Councillor Mackechnie indicated that he would prefer the C.B.O. to attend Council meetings in the future.</p> <p>6.1.4. Councillor Chartrand asked if the Operations Manager knew the cause of the new water leaks at the curling rink. The Operations Manager told Council that a pressure fitting had let go, there is a plan to redo the plumbing this summer.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked if regulations allowed us to have only one bathroom there.</p> <p>The Operations Manager indicated that he would be conferring with the C.B.O. in regards to that.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked if we could get heat into the other side of the building to dry it and if the ceiling fans could be turned on. The Operations Manager indicated that they were having a problem getting the fans turned on.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf indicated that the switch for the curling rink fans was in the far end of the arena.</p> <p>6.1.5. Councillor Chartrand asked if Kingfisher had insurance on their heavy equipment. The Operations Manager informed her that although he had asked the administrative assistant to compile a letter asking contractors for insurance he had not received it form her yet.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked what was used to pull the town plow truck when it got stuck. The Operations Manager indicated that it was the King Fisher Loader and Graham's Service's backhoe.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked if straps or chains were used. The Operations Manager stated straps were used.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked if Eric Brazeau is insured while he is on the King Fisher loader.</p> <p>Councillor Mackechnie asked if Mr. Brazeau is covered.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked if the operations Manager had proof of insurance. The Operations Manager replied that he knew they had insurance.</p> <p>Councillor Chartrand asked if he knew for sure that they had insurance. The Operations Manager replied yes, they have a type of insurance.</p> <p>6.1.6. Discussion ensued regarding the landfill expansion. The Operations Manager explained that by going up with the landfill rather than expanding the life expectancy would be approximately 48 years. However, it would be costly to go up we would need fill and heavy equipment. The alternative is expansion, digging down is always cheaper. However, the environmental assessment is expensive and takes longer.</p>		

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<p>Councillor Mackechnie asked about the survey costs. The Operations Manager estimated them to be \$15000 due to the fact that the attenuation zone which is the area around the landfill needing to be surveyed as part of a ministry obligation. He believed the area to be approximately 40 hectares. Mayor Hopf indicated that we would need approval in order to go up and requested that the Operations Manager obtain information from the consultant as to the time frame of going up as opposed to continuing to expand. He further requested based on the existing regulations what is the volume of coverage required to close the existing landfill</p> <p>Councillor Dunbabin was confident that we were not required to close the existing site if we were expanding as we could use that area for the deposit of contaminated soil.</p> <p>Mayor Hopf spoke about the consideration of a transfer site which would reduce the amount of coverage material needed as well as eliminate the blowing garbage, this would also create more capacity as there would be less fill used. Mayor Hopf also inquired as to when we would need to start working on a closure plan.</p> <p>6.2. <u>Chief Building Official</u> 6.2.1. NONE.</p> <p>6.3. <u>Fire Chief</u> 6.3.1. NONE. 6.3.2. Mayor Hopf reminded Fire Chief Dalzell that reports were due to the Clerk Treasurer by noon the Thursday prior to Council meetings. 6.3.3. Fire Chief Dalzell informed Council that there were some graves which he had spotted along the river. Mayor Hopf suggested that we should go out with the elders to have them identified.</p> <p>6.3.4. Resolution: 15-20 Moved By: Richard Dunbabin Seconded By: Debbie Chartrand BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for The Corporation of The Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) to accept the following reports as presented: 1. Mayor and Council 2. Clerk Treasurer 3. Operations Manager</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>		

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<p>7. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> 7.1. Council reviewed correspondence.</p>		
<p>8. <u>PETITIONS</u> 8.1. NONE</p>		
<p>9. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u> 9.1. NONE.</p> <p>10. <u>BY-LAWS</u> 10.1. Resolution: 15-21 Moved By: Debbie Chartrand Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) to accept By-Law no. 2015-04 “Being a By-Law to ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO AS REPRESENTED BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS FOR THE ONTARIO COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE FUND – FORMULA-BASED COMPONENT AGREEMENT.” <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> 10.2. Resolution: 15-22 Moved By: William Mackechnie Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) to accept By-Law no. 2015-05 “Being a By-Law to AMEND BY-LAW NO.2012-25 A BY-LAW TO GOVERN THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL, THE CONDUCT OF ITS MEMBERS AND THE CALLING OF MEETINGS”. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> </p> <p>11. <u>MOTIONS</u> 11.1 NONE</p>		

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<p>12. <u>DISBURSEMENTS</u></p> <p>12.1. Payroll Disbursements Resolution: 15-23 Moved By: Richard Dunbabin Seconded By: William Mackechnie BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby approve the expenditures being Payroll on <i>Disbursement Sheets 2015-1 (B), page 2</i>, for the total sum of \$11,784.90.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p> <p>12.2. Accounts Payable Disbursements Resolution: 15-24 Moved By: William Mackechnie Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby approve the expenditures being Accounts Payable on <i>Disbursement Sheets 2015-1 (A), page 1</i>, for the total sum of \$13,238.83.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>		
<p>13. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u></p> <p>13.1. Resolution: 15-25 Moved By: William Mackechnie Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin WHEREAS the O.P.P. Pickle Lake Detachment wishes to host an Emergency Services Hockey Games involving members of the Northwest EMS, Ontario Provincial Police, Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service, Pickle lake Volunteer Fire Department, Mishkeegogamang Fire Department and the Ministry of Natural Resources on Sunday, February 15, 2015 from 6:00 pm to 7:P30 pm; and WHEREAS canned goods will be collected during the event for distribution by Tikinagan Child and Family Services to local families in need; BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) to donate the ice time for this event to be held at the Pickle Lake Arena</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p> <p>13.2. The Clerk was directed to advise Acting Sergeant Paul LeBel that the Township will attempt to open the road up to the Mine Site</p>		

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<p>13.3. A decision was made not to support the City of Pembroke Resolution #002 (January 6) regarding the new O.P.P. billing model.</p> <p>13.4. Resolution: 15-26 Moved By: Debbie Chartrand Seconded By: William Mackechnie BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) to authorize the following individuals to attend the Mishkeegogamang First Nation and the Eabametoong First Nation Ring of Fire & Community Based Land Use Planning Information Sharing Session to be held in Mishkeegogamang January 29, 2015 at the Community Hall, expenses to be paid as per township by-law: Mayor Karl Hopf <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p> 13.5. Resolution: 15-27 Moved By: Richard Dunbabin Seconded By: Debbie Chartrand BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby agree(s) to donate \$100.00 to Crolancia School to be used towards their Scholastic Book Fair Wish List. <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p> 13.6. Councillor Chartrand asked if a garbage can could be put outside of the arena during tournaments and if we could charge a cleaning fee for arena tournaments.</p>		

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<p>14. <u>ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING</u> 16.1. Resolution: 15-28 Moved By: Debbie Chartrand Seconded By: Richard Dunbabin BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for The Corporation of The Township of Pickle Lake adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at the hour of <u>10:28 p.m.</u> CARRIED</p>		

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

No. 15-53 THIS 10th DAY OF February, 2014

Karl Hopf

Mayor
Karl Hopf

Manuela Batovanja

Clerk Treasurer
Manuela Batovanja