



**The Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council  
Tuesday, November 21, 2023 6:00 p.m.**

**Attendance:**

Council	Staff	Guest
James Dalzell – Mayor Debbie Chartrand - Councilor Kayla Blakney – Councilor – excused herself at 7:05 pm John Millar – Councilor Leslie Moore - Councilor  <b>Regrets:</b>	Lynda Colby – Clerk Penny Lucas – EDO/Deputy Clerk Micah Moore – Superintendent  <b>Regrets:</b>	Jeff Lederer – Consultant – Jt4m Consulting Ltd.

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order: Chaired by Mayor James Dalzell**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.238**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded By: Councilor Millar

Mayor Dalzell calls the Regular Meeting of Council to order this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023 at 6:02 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

The Chair calls for any declaration of pecuniary interest, and the general nature thereof under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the agenda for this meeting.

**NONE NOTED**

**3. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.239**

Moved By: Councilor Blakney

Seconded By: Councilor Moore

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake does hereby approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, **as amended**.

**Additions:**

- 8.31 Township of Pickle Lake – Christmas Office Closure
- **Item 4:** Dr. Jeff Lederer, Infrastructure, Planning, and Development Study, Pickle Lake
  - o Preliminary Presentation to Council of the Township of Pickle Lake

**AND** all directions and/or any recommendations or motions included therein.

**Items Pulled for Discussion:**

- 8.10.1 – Attachment: NOMA Resolution No: 383-23 Support NOMA's Resolution re Northern School of Medicine University
- 8.12 – Ministry of Natural Resources – re New Land Use Permit FARN-2023-PLA-00071-LUP-001
- 8.29 – Pinchin – Proposal for Design and Operations Plan - Landfill
- 8.30 – Hydro One – Streetlight Maintenance Agreement
- 8.31 – Township of Pickle Lake – Christmas Office Closure

**CARRIED**

**4. Delegations:**

**Addition:**

**Presentation:** Infrastructure, Planning & Development Study – Jeff Lederer

**5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

**NONE NOTED**

**6. Adoption/Approval of Previous Minutes**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.240**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded By: Councilor Moore

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake does hereby accept and approve the minutes of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, **as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**7. Report(s) of Officers**

**7.1 Mayor & Council**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.241**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded by: Councilor Millar

Deputy Mayor Chartrand agreed to check the Street Lights in Central Pat (missing/broken/need repair, etc. and come back to Administration (Clerk) with her findings.

Clerk, Lynda Colby suggested to Council that the Township needs to start succession planning for the Betty Johnson Health Clinic Staff.

Clerk Lynda Colby was asked to speak to Superintendent Micah Moore to check the step in the Community Hall between the kitchen door and the hallway to see if it would be possible to recess the entrance into the kitchen and make the landing two shallow steps instead of one big one and also to check both the Community Hall and the Curling Hall for bleeder valves instead of letting a water tap run to keep the water from freezing.

On behalf of the Lions Club, Deputy Mayor Chartrand advised that the Lions Club would be continuing the Christmas tradition in Pickle Lake of a Senior's Dinner and Children's event on December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (stay tuned for more information in the near future).

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake do hereby accept the verbal reports as presented on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, chaired by Mayor Dalzell.

**CARRIED**

**7.2 General Government**

**Motion #: 2023.21.242**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded by: Councilor Millar / Moore

7.2.1 Clerk's Report

7.2.2 EDO's Report

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake do hereby accept the reports as presented on this 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2023, chaired by Mayor Dalzell.

**CARRIED**

**7.3 Operations Report**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.243**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded by: Councilor Moore

7.3.1 Water & Wastewater Report

7.3.2 Fire Department Report

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake do hereby accept the reports as presented on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, chaired by Mayor Dalzell.

**CARRIED**

**8. Correspondence**

- 8.1 Town of Parry Sound – Resolution No.: 2023-149 – in support of amendment s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act
- 8.2 Fire Underwriters Survey – Petition in support of Bill C-310
- 8.3 Municipality of Shuniah – Resolution No.: 181-23 – in support of the City of Sault Ste. Marie regarding Bill 5 Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act
- 8.4 Town of Rainy River – Resolution No.: 23-020 – Water Treatment Training
- 8.5 Township of Machar – Resolution No.: 213-23 – in support of the City of Burlington regarding Provincial legislation for third-party short-term rental companies
- 8.6 Municipality of Wawa – Resolution No.: RC23249 – Provincial legislation for third-party short-term rental companies
- 8.7 Municipality of North Perth – Resolution supporting Consent Agenda Item 7.11 – Request for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment
- 8.7.1 Attachment – Catherine Fife MPP – RE: request support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act

- 8.8 Municipality of North Perth – Resolution regarding the AMO Policy Update – Social and Economic Prosperity Review from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- 8.8.1 Attachment – AMO – Policy Update – Social and Economic Prosperity Review
- 8.9 Municipality of North Perth – Resolution endorsing “Catch and Release” Justice in Ontario
- 8.9.1 Attachment – Town of Midland – Resolution regarding “Catch and Release” Justice in Ontario
- 8.10 Municipality of Shuniah – Resolution No.: 383-23 – in support of NOMA’s resolution Northern Ontario School of Medicine
- 8.10.1 Attachment – NOMA – Resolution No.: 2023-08 – in support of sustainable funding to Northern Ontario School of Medicine
- 8.11 Town of Goderich – Resolution in support of the Town of Wasaga Beach regarding Illegal Car Rally – Provincial Task Force
- 8.11.1 Attachment – Town of Wasaga Beach – Resolution regarding Illegal Car Rally – Provincial Task Force
- 8.12 Ministry of Natural Resources – regarding New Land Use Permit FARN-2023-PLA-00071-LUP-001
- 8.13 Northwestern Health Unit – Minutes of the Special Board of Health Meeting
- 8.14 Town of Aurora – Resolution No.: 10.1 – Cannabis Retail Applications
- 8.15 AMO – Land Use Planning Training for Elected Officials 2024
- 8.16 Town of Huntsville – Resolution in support of the Township of Lake of Bays and Township of Georgian Bay on Floating Accommodations
- 8.16.1 Attachment – Township of Lake of Bays – Resolution No.: 8(a)/04/12/22 – Floating Accommodations
- 8.17 Sustainable Northern Ontario Economic Development (SNOED) – Upcoming Course – January 17, 2024
- 8.18 AMO – Policy Update – 2023 Fall Economic Statement
- 8.19 Ontario Health NEHRA/NOHRA – Meeting Minutes – October 26, 2023
- 8.19.1 Attachment – NOSM – Presentation – Emergency Department Peer to Peer Program
- 8.19.2 Attachment – Southern Ontario Physician Recruitment Alliance (SOPRA) – Presentation
- 8.20 Township of Terrace Bay – Resolution No.: 275-2023 – Funding NOSM
- 8.21 Municipality of Wawa – Resolution No.: RC23261 – in support of amendment s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act
- 8.22 Municipality of Wawa – Resolution No.: RC23262 – Re: Class II Water Treatment Operators
- 8.23 Municipality of Wawa – Resolution No.: RC23263 – Re: Ontario Municipalities required to follow publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations
- 8.24 Municipality of Wawa – Resolution No.: RC23265 – Re: Volunteer Firefighters and Search and Rescue Volunteers
- 8.25 AMO – Indigenous Community Awareness Training – February 27, 2024 & April 2, 2024
- 8.26 Municipality of Magnetawan – Resolution No. 2023-343 – Call for Amendment to the Legislation Act, 2006
- 8.27 Corporation of the Township of Ryerson - Call for Amendment to Legislation Act 2006
- 8.28 Municipality of Shuniah – Excessive Noise – Resolution No: 399-23
- 8.29 Pinchin – Proposal for Design and Operations Plan
- 8.30 Hydro One – Streetlight Maintenance Agreement

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.244**

Moved by: Councilor Millar

Seconded by: Councilor Moore

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake does hereby accept the correspondence form the Ministry of Natural Resources regarding New Land Use Permit FARN-2023-PLA-00071-LUP-001 (Township of Badesdawa (Mud) Lake) effective November 01, 2023 to permit expiry date October 31, 2023, at the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023.

**AND FURTHER THAT**, Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

**AND FURTHER THAT**, Council authorizes the initial payment of \$341.46 for the annual fee of the LUP permit, and for every year up until the LUP expiry date of October 31, 2023.

**CARRIED**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.245**

Moved by: Councilor Moore

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

**THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake do hereby accept the correspondence from Pinchin for the proposed Design and Operating Plan of the Municipal Landfill site at the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> Day of November 2023.

**AND FURTHER THAT**, Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Pinchin Ltd. For the completion of the Design and Operating which will include a background review, topographical drone survey and design and operating plan in the amount of **\$17,945.00** (attached proposal of Design and Operating Plan).

**CARRIED**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.246**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded by: Councilor Moore

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake do hereby accept the correspondence from Hydro One Streetlight Maintenance Agreement at the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023.

**AND FURTHER THAT**, Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Hydro One for the proposed Streetlight Maintenance Agreement for a two-year contract (attached) commencing November 01, 2023 to November 01, 2025.

**CARRIED**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.247**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded by: Councilor Moore

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake accepts the Clerk's report relating to the 2023 Christmas holiday and office closure at the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023.

**AND FURTHER THAT**, Council directs Administration as follows:

- 1) Garbage pickup for the week between Boxing Day and New Year's Day will be Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- 2) The Landfill Site will be open Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The Landfill site will be **CLOSED**, Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- 3) The Township Office will be **CLOSED**, from Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 **RE-OPENING** Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

**CARRIED**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.248**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded by: Councilor Moore

**WHEREAS** the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) recognized the urgent need for physicians in Northern Ontario as it is experiencing a shortage of trained physicians and specialist physicians;

**AND WHEREAS** life expectancy of Northern residents is more than two years lower than the Ontario average, and that mental health and addictions are at four times higher rate;

**AND WHEREAS** one in eight Northern residents do not have access to a family doctor and many must travel long distances to access health-care services representing the failure of health care in Northern Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** the Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) University's base funding rates have not been increased sufficiently to accommodate growth and expansion;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** with the announcement of unprecedented medical expansion for NOSM University's medical programs, that NOMA strongly requests that the Provincial government grant NOSM University's request for a permanent increase in annual base funding of \$4.0 million before the end of this fiscal year so it can continue to deliver on the mandate that was originally established by the Conservative Government in response to the needs of Northern municipalities.

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this motion be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Health and Deputy Premier Sylvia Jones, Minister of Colleges and Universities Jill Dunlop, MPPs Greg Rickford, Vic Fedeli, George Pirie, Ross Romano, MPP Kevin Holland – Thunder Bay-Atikokan, MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Eric Melillo- Kenora, MPP Lise Vaugeois – Thunder Bay-Superior North, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Northern Ontario School of Medicine University (NOSM), Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association, the leaders of the opposition parties of Ontario and all Clerks and CAO's of NOMA.

**CARRIED**

9. **Petitions - NONE**

10. **Unfinished Business - NONE**

**11. Notice of Motions: - NONE**

**12. By-Laws:**

**BY-LAW 2023-35**

Being a By-Law Authorizing the Entering into An Agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources (NEW Land Use Permit FARN-2023-PLA-00071-LUP-001) located in Dona Lake Township of Badesdawa (Mud) Lake with the Township of Pickle Lake.

**BY-LAW 2023-36**

Being a By-Law Authorizing the Entering into An Agreement with Pinchin Ltd for the completion of the Design and Operating plan of the Municipal Landfill site.

**BY-LAW 2023-37**

Being a By-Law Authorizing the Entering into An Agreement with Hydro One for the two-year Streetlight Maintenance Agreement, effective November 1, 2023 to November 01, 2025.

**13. Disbursements:**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.249**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded By: Councillor Moore

12.1 Accounts Payable / Payroll

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake accept and approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll Registry at the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023 as amended.

**Amendments:**

**Remove:** Best Buy Homes from list of accounts owing – account is paid - \$253,995.75  
Total balance owing changes to \$154,545.15 with 0-30 days owing becomes \$27,408.18.

**CARRIED**

**14. New Business - None**

**15. Adjournment to Closed Meeting Session of the Regular Meeting of Council**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.250**

Moved By: Dalzell / Blakney / Chartrand / Millar / Moore

Seconded By: Dalzell / Blakney / Chartrand / Millar / Moore

**THAT**, Council convenes into the Closed Session of this Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, chaired by Mayor Dalzell, at 8:15 p.m. to discuss the following items:

**Closed Session Matters**

**Pursuant to Section 239(2) (a), (b), (e), (i), (j) of the Municipal Act:**

- a) **the security of the property of the municipality of local board;**
  - Township Properties
- b) **personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees**
  - Human Resources
- e) **litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;**
  - Legal
- 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 significantly prejudice the competitive position of interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;**
  - Housing
  - Infrastructural, Planning and Development Study
- j) **A trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board has monetary value or potential monetary value; or**
  - Financial

**16. Reconvene into the Regular Meeting of Council**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.251**

Moved By: Councilor Millar

Seconded By: Councilor Moore

**THAT**, Council reconvenes to the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, chaired by Mayor Dalzell at 8:57 p.m.

**CARRIED**



**17. Business Arising from Closed Meeting Session**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.252**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

Seconded By: Councilor Millar

**THAT**, Council for the Corporation of Pickle Lake do hereby receive and accept the quote from Landseer Screw Piles and Auguring for the installation of up to 24 screw piles to be installed at 18 Patricia for the placement of the Onyx modular home in the amount of \$20,904.00 at the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023.

**AND FURTHER THAT**, council authorizes Administration to pay the 50% deposit totaling **\$9,990.00** to Landseer Screw Pile and Auguring with the remainder due upon completion of the installation.

**CARRIED**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.253**

Moved By: Councilor Moore

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Chartrand

**THAT**, the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake accepts the recommendation from Administration that since there has been no activity on these accounts prior to 2021 in spite of numerous attempts to contact the account holder; the following utility accounts for a total of \$740.83 credit, be written off and removed from the Aged Receivables list:

#90000001.09 \$165.00; #90000082.00 \$51.76; #90000083.00 \$51.76;  
#90000084.00 \$51.76; #90000085.00 \$51.76; #90000101.06 \$155.28;  
#90000116.00 \$213.51

**CARRIED**

**18. Confirmatory By-Law**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.254**

Moved By: Councilor Moore

Seconded By: Councilor Millar

**THAT**, By-Law # **2023-38**, Being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake Regular Meeting dated the 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2023, be read a First, Second, and a Third Time and Passed.

**CARRIED**

**19. Adjournment**

**Motion #: 2023.11.21.255**

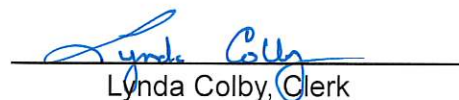
Moved By: Councilor Moore

Seconded By: Councilor Millar

**THAT**, the Regular Meeting of Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 2023, be adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

  
James Dalzell, Mayor

  
Lynda Colby, Clerk