

**THESE MINUTES ARE THE INTERPRETATION OF THE RECORDER ONLY  
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The Mayor declared the Regular Meeting open at 6:30 p.m. Present in the W. J. Barrett Chambers were, Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Deputy Mayor Jordan Bird, Councillors Marcel Baron, Randy Rankin, and Linda Stopes, Clerk-Treasurer Robert MacLean, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook and Administrative Secretary Lindsay MacFarlane. Councillor Tracey Cooke attended via Zoom.

Councillor Lindsay Tallon was absent.

**Declaration – Closed Session: None****Resolutions:**

**2021-15-01: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** “Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on October 18, 2021 be adopted.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-02: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that up to two persons be authorized to attend the Ontario Good Roads Association 2022 Annual Conference to be held in Toronto from February 27<sup>th</sup> – March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-03: Linda Stopes – Jordan Bird:** “Be it resolved that the Town of Thessalon hereby proclaims 2022 the Year of the Garden in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health, quality of life and environmental challenges, and that June 18, 2022, be recognized as Garden Day in the Town of Thessalon as a legacy of Canada’s Year of the Garden 2022 and that the Town of Thessalon is committed to being a Garden Friendly Town supporting the development of its garden culture and further, values the contribution made annually by the Thessalon Horticultural Society which, next year, will be holding a plant sale to support both gardening and the society, as well as a yard tour to inspire persons with regard to landscaping their yards.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-04: Linda Stopes – Jordan Bird:** “Be it resolved that the resignation of Kim Bos from the Thessalon Events and Activities Committee be accepted with regret, and that a letter be sent thanking her for her service on this Committee.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-05: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that authorization is hereby given to any member of Council wishing to attend the AMO training regarding Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-06: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that Council host a Fraud Prevention Information Session to be presented by Community Safety Officers of the Ontario Provincial Police.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-07: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that the Cancer Memorial Garden be relocated to the Community Garden property described as Plan 8 Lot 18 SPT W/S.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-08: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable to November 15, 2021 in a total amount of \$254,925.49 be approved for payment, 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**

Declaration:

Councillor Randy Rankin declared a conflict of interest relating to the Rankin Supply account and the North Shore Sentinel account.

**2021-15-09: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that the Recreation Coordinator’s letter of resignation be accepted with regret, and that the hiring process be commenced advertising this position with up to twenty-four hours per week.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-10: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that, as reflected in the revised Organizational Flow Chart, the Clerk-Treasurer be the direct supervisor for the Asset Manager and Administrative Coordinator position, with the Town Superintendent to review any duties with the Clerk-Treasurer he may have for this position, and further, that the departments be allocated the following percentages for the duties:

Asset Manager	-	40%
General Government	-	35%
Public Works	-	25%.”

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-11: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that Monday, January 3, 2022 be designated as the recognized holiday for New Year’s Day, which in 2022 falls on a Saturday.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-12: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that the request from Suzanne Priddle-Luck to terminate her contract prior to January 31, 2022 be approved, with rent to be paid for the month of November and with all expenses to be payable for the month of October.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-13: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that the five investments of \$217,758.27 each, maturing on November 23, 2021, be reinvested for a two-year term at 1.1%.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-14: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that an application for funding be completed through the Ontario Trillium Resilient Communities Fund Project Outcome Number Four for new playground equipment at Lakeside Park, Peace Park and the Marina in the amount of \$150,000.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-15: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that an application for funding be completed through the NOHFC – Rural Enhancement Funding Stream for the renovation of the interior of both washroom facilities at Lakeside Park in the amount of \$200,000, with the Town’s share being \$20,000.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-16: Jordan Bird – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that Council approve a Holiday Lights Run with a tentative date of December 10, 2021, and with the cost to be \$10.00 per person or \$25.00 per family.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-17: Linda Stopes – Jordan Bird:** “Be it resolved that Council approve a free Christmas Public Skate on December 17, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., to include a hot chocolate and a hot dog, both free, to all participants.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-18: Randy Rankin – Linda Stopes:** “Be it resolved that the rules of procedure be suspended in order to receive an update regarding doctor recruitment.” **CARRIED**

**2021-15-19: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Public Works staff be authorized to leave work at noon on December 24, 2021, recognizing that they would be expected to return to work before 4:00 p.m. if required."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-20: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council approve the Town Superintendent's request to carry over into 2022 five days of unused 2021 vacation."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-21: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council approve the closure of the Municipal Office from noon on Friday, December 24, 2021 until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2022."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-22: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that Council authorize a Christmas gift in the amount of \$100.00 for all current staff."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-23: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-24: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2451, being a by-law to authorize the signing of a grant agreement and related documents for the Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP) between the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-25: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2452, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 1490 to rezone the lands described as 53 Frances Street and legally described as Plan Indian Dept. Blk. L Pt. Lot 1 Pt. Lake St. RP 1R5858 Part 2 RP 1R13375 Parts 1 and 4 from Commercial (C1) to Multiple Residential (R3), be passed in open Council this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-26: Linda Stopes – Jordan Bird:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2453, being a by-law to amend the User Fees and Service Charges of Schedule 'B' of By-law Number 1800 with regard to reduced ice rental rates during the holiday season, be passed in open Council this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-27: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** "That Council proceed in Closed Session:

- 1) in order to address personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and specifically, two Committee applications, one for a vacancy on the Community Events and Activities Committee and the second for a vacancy on the Seniors' Healthy Aging Committee; an update regarding doctor recruitment; as well as a matter involving the duties performed by an office employee;
- 2) acquisition or disposition of property of the municipality or local board, and specifically, consideration involving the acquisition of lands north of Highway 17, as well as consideration regarding a proposal to purchase Town property."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-28: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** "That Council resume Open Session."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-29: Jordan Bird – Marcel Baron:** "Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 1, Council accept the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee regarding the filling of the two Committee vacancies, one on the Community Events and Activities Committee and one on the Seniors' Healthy Aging Committee."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-30: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 2, a response be sent to the email regarding doctor recruitment."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-31: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes:** "Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 3, a response be sent to the letter involving the acquisition of lands north of Highway 17."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-32: Marcel Baron – Linda Stopes:** "Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 4, a response be sent to the letter regarding the acquisition of Town property."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-33: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** "Be it resolved that By-law Number 2454, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on November 15, 2021, be passed in open Council this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021."

**CARRIED**

**2021-15-34: Tracey Cooke – Randy Rankin:** “That this meeting be adjourned at 7:46 p.m.” **CARRIED**

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Mayor

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Clerk-Treasurer