

**TOWN OF THESSALON
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
6:30 P.M.
March 21, 2022
W. J. BARRETT CHAMBERS, 187 MAIN STREET
VIA. ZOOM**

Regular Meeting

- i) Opening of the Regular Meeting
- ii) Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof
- iii) Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings
- iv) Delegation: Julia Kluding – Asset Management Plan & Policy
- v) Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting
- vi) Letters and Communications for Action
 - 1) Tony Cooke, Smelter Bay Aggregates - CPR Spur Agreement
 - 2) Carlo DiCandia -2022 Insurance Renewal Policy
 - 3) Marina/Arena/Parks Committee – Minutes
 - 4) Events and Activities Committee – Minutes
- vii) Letters and Communications for Information
 - 1) Honourable Raymond Cho – ROMA Conference Delegation
 - 2) Allan Doheny – 2022 Transitional Mitigation Payment
 - 3) Peter D. Henry – Floating Accommodations on Waterways
 - 4) Teepu Khawja – 2022 Emergency Management Exemplary Service Award
 - 5) Carla Y. Nell – Procuring New Electricity Supply Facilities
 - 6) Derek Nighbor – Fighting Climate Change Through Canadian Forestry
 - 7) Katie Blunt – Habitat for Humanity Expansion
 - 8) Chelsey Foucher – Habitat for Humanity Board Members
 - 9) Danny Whalen – Northern Ontario Transportation Task Force
 - 10) Sarita Verma – NOSM Expansion Announcement
 - 11) Mac Bain – FONOM Conference
 - 12) Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative – Annual General Meeting
 - 13) Algoma District Municipal Association – Minutes
 - 14) Township of Johnson – Ontario Housing Affordability Task Force

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- 1) Municipality of Huron Shores – Notice of Public Meeting
 - 2) Caryn Orchard – Summertime Day Programs
 - 3) Planning Advisory Committee – Minutes
- viii) Committee and Staff Reports
- 1) Jordan Bird (3)
 - 2) Randy Rankin
 - 3) Tracey Cooke
 - 4) Alice Radley
 - 5) Ken Seabrook
 - 6) Marykaye Karhi
- ix) General Business
- 1) By-law 2473 – Municipal Economic Development Committee
 - 2) By-law 2474 – Smelter Bay Aggregates CPR Spur Agreement
 - 3) By-law 2475 – User Fees and Service Charges Schedule “F”
 - 4) By-law 2476 – Confirmatory
- x) Closed Session
- 1) That Council proceed in Closed Session in order to address personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and specifically, a recommendation following a Pay Equity wage comparison review as well as a recommendation regarding appointments to the Municipal Economic Development, and Community Events and Activities Committees; and a labour relations or employee negotiations matter, and specifically, a recommendation related to the Collective Agreement.
- xi) Passing of Confirmatory By-law
- xii) Adjournment

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Topic: Council Meeting

Time: Mar 21, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Meeting ID: 833 8347 1308

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The Mayor declared the Regular Meeting open at 6:37 p.m. Present in the W. J. Barrett Chambers were, Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Deputy Mayor Jordan Bird, Councillors Randy Rankin, Linda Stopes, and Lindsay Tallon, Clerk-Treasurer Robert MacLean, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook, and Administrative Secretary Lindsay MacFarlane. Attending via Zoom included Councillors Tracey Cooke, and Marcel Baron who joined the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

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

2022-02-01: Linda Stopes – Randy Rankin: "Be it resolved that the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on January 17, 2022 be adopted." **CARRIED**

2022-02-02: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon supports the application being put forward for an enhanced Huron Shores Family Health Team that would bring the current RNPGA medical clinics located in Thessalon, Bruce Mines and Richards Landing into the Huron Shores Family Health Team, with the end result being a model that provides an integrated and collaborative approach to providing primary care to residents in the communities in the catchment of East Algoma from Serpent River through to Echo Bay." **CARRIED**

2022-02-03: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: "Be it resolved that Council supports the request from the Thessalon Horticultural Society regarding the submission of an application for additional trees along the river." **CARRIED**

2022-02-04: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: "Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon endorse the resolution passed by the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio supporting requests from municipalities for the Federal and Provincial Government to provide more funding to rural municipalities to support infrastructure projects related to major bridge and culvert replacements, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance, the Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Federal Minister of Finance, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and to the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio." **CARRIED**

2022-02-05: Jordan Bird – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon support the resolution passed by the City of Brantford that a letter be sent to the Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada insisting that steps be taken immediately by his government to strengthen the bail system, including imposing more demanding and stringent surety and supervision requirements, and imposing more substantive and effective consequences for continued breaches of a judicial interim release order (known as ‘bail’) resulting in pre-trial incarceration, which changes are required to safeguard law abiding citizens and to restore the citizens’ faith in the criminal justice system; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Carol Hughes, MP, Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, Michael Mantha, MPP, Algoma-Manitoulin and to the City of Brantford.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-06: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the letter from Casey Lawrence, giving notice of his retirement effective September 30, 2022, be accepted with regret.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-07: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin “Be it resolved that the Town-owned properties being described as Roll Numbers 5728-000-003-14801-0000, 5728-000-003-14802-0000, 5728-000-003-14803-0000, 5728-000-003-14808-0000, 5728-000-003-14810-0000, be retained for the development of the Coastal Trail and not be declared surplus.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-08: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that the language in the Committee Mandate and Goals of the Healthy Aging Committee be revised from “seniors” to “older adults and people with disabilities” in order to achieve a more inclusive outreach.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-09: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that, as recommended by the Healthy Aging Committee, an application be submitted for the Inclusive Community Grant (ICG).” **CARRIED**

2022-02-10: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon endorse the motion from the Town of Aurora to dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) immediately and recognize the authority of municipal Councils in local land use planning decisions, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, Michael Mantha, MPP, Algoma-Manitoulin, the Large Urban Mayors’ Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors, the Regional Chairs of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and to the Town of Aurora.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-11: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that the Town property legally described as Plan 278 Lot Q, otherwise known as 37 Lorne Street East, be added to the Surplus list with an asking price of \$15,000.00.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-12: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that Schedule ‘A’ of By-law Number 1800 be amended to increase the cost of a Tax Certificate to \$50.00 and a Zoning Statement to \$50.00.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-13: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that Council tender the ditching project at the Highway 17 Development.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-14: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that the resignation of James Orlando from the Marina/Arena/Parks Committee be accepted with regret and that a letter be sent thanking him for his service on the Committee.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-15: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that the Thessalon Memorial Arena Helmet Policy dated February 22, 2022, be approved by Council.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-16: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Park User Fees and Service Charges (Schedule ‘E’):

- the fee for ‘Monthly – Campsite With Electricity’ be reduced from \$823.00 to \$700.00 (includes HST)
- the fee for ‘Monthly – Campsite Without Electricity’ be reduced from \$640.00 to \$600.00 (includes HST)
- the fee for ‘Seasonal Campsite With Electricity’ be increased by 3 per cent from \$1,750.00 (includes HST) plus a \$200.00 Hydro Deposit to \$1,802.50 (includes HST) plus a \$200.00 Hydro Deposit
- Park Hydro Deposit due date changed from May 9th to Friday of the Victoria Day weekend
- Wood (Wheelbarrow Load) – increased from \$9.00 (includes HST) to \$10.00 (includes HST)
- Baseball User Fees – add a category ‘Baseball Field Weekend Rental’ with the fee being \$150.00 (includes HST)
- Winter Storage For Non-Seasonal Residents – amend to read ‘On or after the third Friday of October to on or before the second Friday of May’
- New Seasonal Resident – amend wording to read ‘When a new seasonal camper fills a vacant lot after the opening the Friday of the Victoria Day weekend, the amount owing will be prorated in accordance with the seasonal rate and the number of days from the date when the new seasonal resident is contacted and accepts the site’
- Opening and Closing Dates of Park – opening to be changed to the Friday of the Victoria Day weekend and the closing to be changed to the Monday of the Thanksgiving weekend.”

CARRIED

2022-02-17: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that the Arena User Fees and Service Charges be amended by removing the section ‘Holiday Ice Rental – December 29, 30, 31 - \$100.85’ and adding a section ‘Free Public Skating During March Break – March 14th – March 18th, 2022 Inclusive from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.”

CARRIED

2022-02-18: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that the Accounts Payable to February 22, 2022 in a total amount of \$362,047.03 (2021 – \$5,941.93 and 2022 - \$356,105.10) 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.

2022-02-19: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, having been forced to cancel the Community Day weekend activities, etc. for the past two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Council hereby agrees to move forward with plans for all community activities going forward, provided provincial restrictions permit.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-20: Randy Rankin – Jordan Bird: “Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Thessalon supports the application for funding through the NOHFC – Rural Enhancement Funding Stream for the Lakeside Washroom Upgrades project, being Project File No. 7500071, for the renovation of the interior of both washroom facilities at Lakeside Park in the amount of approximately \$200,000, with the Town’s share being approximately \$20,000, and with Council agreeing to cover any and all cost overruns for this project.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-21: Tracey Cooke – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that, due to the April Council meeting falling on Easter Monday, the Council meeting be changed to Tuesday, April 19, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-22: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that Council acknowledge receipt of the Committee and staff reports.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-23: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2463, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an agreement and related documents for the third intake of the Municipal Modernization Program for the Town of Thessalon Public Works Software Application Implementation between the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-24: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2464, being a by-law to authorize the signing of an Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement and related documents between Her Majesty the Queen in the right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon for the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS) Fund, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-25: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2465, being a by-law to amend the name of the Town of Thessalon’s Seniors’ Healthy Aging Committee to the Healthy Aging Committee, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-26: Marcel Baron – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2466, being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 1490, and specifically to amend the lands described as 275 River Street and legally described as Plan 278 Lots K L M N N/S Thessalon St Pt Lane Lot 34 Pt Lot 33 E/S River St and Pt Thessalon St from Residential First Density (R1) to Multiple Residential (R3), be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-27: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2467, being a by-law to amend Schedules ‘A’, ‘B’ and ‘E’ of By-law Number 1800, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-28: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2468, being a by-law to establish the Marina/Arena/Parks Committee, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-29: Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2469, being a by-law to establish the Events and Activities Committee, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-30: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2470, being a by-law to authorize the signing of the Transfer documents and other related documents for the sale, in the amount of \$3,500.00 plus all costs incurred or required to dispose of the real property described as Plan 8 Lot J South Side Park Street East, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-31: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2471, being a by-law to authorize the signing of the Transfer documents and other related documents for the sale, in the amount of \$6,300.00 plus all costs incurred or required to dispose of the real property described as Plan 278 Lot O South Side Genelle Street East, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-32: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “That Council proceed in Closed Session in order to address personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and specifically, a recommendation regarding the Recreation Coordinator position; and a labour relations or employee negotiations matter, and specifically, a question related to the Collective Agreement.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-33: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “That Council resume Open Session.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-34: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 1, Council accept the recommendation of the Hiring Committee regarding the Recreation Coordinator position.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-35: Jordan Bird – Randy Rankin: “Be it resolved that, with regard to Closed Session Item No. 2, Council hereby authorizes the Human Resources Committee to arrange a meeting with the Union to pursue this matter.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-36: Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon: “Be it resolved that By-law Number 2472, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on February 22, 2022, be passed in open Council this 22nd day of February, 2022.” **CARRIED**

2022-02-37: Linda Stopes – Randy Rankin: “That this meeting be adjourned at 8:08 p.m.” **CARRIED**

Seal

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer

PRESENTATION

Julia Kluding – Assessment Management Plan and Policy

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS
FOR ACTION**

SMELTER BAY

AGGREGATES INCORPORATED

P.O. Box, Boundary Road, Industrial Park
Thessalon, Ontario P0R 1L0
Tel. (705) 842-2597
Fax (705) 842-2527

March 16, 2022

The Corporation of the Town of Thessalon
169 Main Street
P.O. Box 220
Thessalon, ON
P0R 1L0

Dear Robert,

We would like to ask that council consider extending the agreement between the Town of Thessalon and Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated to use the abandoned railway spur that crosses municipal property on the east side of the community.

The previous agreement was for the period of April 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. The agreement had a provision for an extension at the discretion of the Town. If you are in agreement, we would suggest that the format of that document be utilized.

If you are in agreement, I will request our insurance company forward to you a new certificate of insurance as outlined in the original document.

Yours truly,



Tony Cooke
Plant Manager
Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated

Council:

Please see By-law Number 2474.

Thanks,

Robert

From: Carlo DiCandia <cdicandia@northernins.ca>

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 7:51 PM

To: Robert MacLean <robert@thessalon.ca>

Cc: Lindsay MacFarlane <Lindsay@thessalon.ca>; Michele Irwin <mirwin@northernins.ca>

Subject: Renewal Proposal -Corporation of the Town of Thessalon - March 16, 2022

Hello Robert,

Upon review of all info provided by your office, we are pleased to offer the following for your consideration:

Kindly note that the overall program premium increase is 17%. The LCIS (Event Liability Policy) policy premium was omitted in the attached Proposal however it is included in the Summary Table listed below and documents will be issued inclusive of the other program coverages.

The following is a summary of all of the policy coverages with their respective changes from the expiring policy:

Municipal General Liability including EIL

- 55.72% increase to the Primary due to the current market conditions & is reflective of the claims that have been incurred.
- Moving forward, the Environmental Impairment Liability premium will carry a minimum premium of \$5,000. The overall Liability premium is inclusive of the new minimum.
- Excluding Communicable Disease Endorsement to apply with \$1M write-back, \$25,000 Self Insured Retention (aka Deductible).
- Absolute Communicable Disease Exclusion.
- Excluding Cyber as this line of coverage requires its own policy within the program. We can arrange to quote this coverage upon your request.
- Excluding for-profit entities or commercial subsidiaries unless disclosed and endorsed onto the policy

Umbrella Liability:

- Rate increase of 10% due to the current market conditions
- Excluding Communicable Disease absolutely
- Excluding coverages sub-limited within the primary

Automobile

- This proposal is based on the Automobile schedule provided by your office. Should you make any changes from the date of the renewal quotation to the effective date of the renewal policy, the renewal terms may change. If there are changes, a copy of the 'revised' Vehicle Schedule will have to be provided to Marsh Canada by the renewal effective date.

Property

- 2% increase has been applied to the limits to account for inflation noting the increased costs of building materials over the past year.
- Under Combined Physical Damage & Machinery Breakdown, the Blanket POED (Property of Every Description) Limit is **\$18,341,864**. This presentation is based on the Property schedule provided by your office. Should you make any changes from the date of the renewal quotation to the effective date of the renewal policy, the renewal terms may change. A copy of the 'revised' Property Schedule will have to be provided to Marsh Canada by the renewal effective date.

Volunteer Firefighter Accident

- Premium increase reflective of the policy enhancements in the attached document.

Summary

Type of Coverage	Annual Premium	Tax
Casualty/Primary Liability	\$20,000.00	\$1,600.00
Umbrella Liability (1 st Layer)	4,188.00	335.04
Umbrella Liability (2 nd Layer)	2,012.00	160.96
Property: Total Insured Value	28,222.00	2,257.76
Property: Boiler	2,822.00	225.76
Crime Primary	850.00	68.00
Automobile	8,648.00	N/A
Council Accident	1,379.00	110.32
Out of Province Medical Coverage	0.00	0.00
Volunteers Fire Fighters' Accident	1,951.00	156.08
LCIS – Annual Low Risk Events	1,238.00	99.04
LCIS Policy Fee	0.00	4.00
TOTALS:	\$71,360.00	\$5,016.96

Please review all subjectivities listed in the attached Proposal carefully. Kindly reach out to me to discuss any discrepancies, or changes that may be required. Should you wish to arrange for a review of the proposal please email me with a time convenient to you, and I will gladly arrange for a meeting.

As the proposal is not automatically renewed, your request to do so is required. After a satisfactory review, kindly sign, date and return page #14 of the proposal acknowledging acceptance of the terms.

Best Regards,

Carlo Dicandia, CAIB
Sales Executive
705-949-6555, Ext. 205
200-855 Queen Street East, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 2B3
Northern Insurance

Council:

I asked Carlo for details regarding the two layers of Umbrella Liability. He explained that the Umbrella Liability is purchased in layers in order to minimize risk to the providers by spreading the risk amongst various global insurance providers. The policy contains our primary liability limit of \$5,000,000 and is then increased by two layers of the Umbrella limits. Each layer has varying premiums with the understanding that the second layer and all those that may follow become less expensive to purchase.

Carlo has arranged for a coverage extension to March 29, 2022.

Robert

Bill Rosenberg
Town of Thessalon
187 Main Street, P.O. Box 220
Thessalon, Ontario P0R 1L0

Dear Mayor Bill Rosenberg,

My name is Velvet Redmond Harten, I am a director and a member of the Fundraising Committee for Crime Stoppers of Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma District.

We are excited to announce that the Town of Thessalon joined ten other contributors raising a total of \$3,700 for our program. These dollars will be invested directly into our promotional budget for the year.

Last year's contributors were Bruce Mines, Hornepayne, St. Joseph, Laird, MacDonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional, Plummer Additional, Tarbutt & Tarbutt Additional, Thessalon, Wawa, and White River.

I am writing to ask you to consider another donation of \$500 this year. Any amount greater than or less than \$500, will help us get closer to our goals and improve the visibility of Crime Stoppers in the District.

As you may recall, each of our supporters from the District experienced the following benefits including enrollment in our Friends of Crime Stoppers Membership Program, recognition on our website (for one year), signs, and decals for distribution.

Our promotional growth in the District is made possible by your contribution and will have an impact on the tips received and crimes solved.

You may be able to suggest some local presentations to the council or other groups, community events, or other means of promoting our program in the Town of Thessalon. We appreciate any and all suggestions to better serve your area.

Thank you for considering this request. Please feel free to contact me at (705) 759-5081 or info@saultcrimestoppers.com.

With warm regards,

Velvet Redmond Harten
Director

Thessalon Marina/Arena/Parks Committee – March 8, 2022

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Present in the W. J. Barrett Chambers were Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Chair Scott Lawrence, Councillor Linda Stopes, Councillor Lindsay Tallon, Town Superintendent Ken Seabrook and Recording Secretary MaryKaye Karhi.

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Conflict of Interest
There was none declared.

3. Acceptance of Notes – February 15, 2022
2022-03-01 – Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes
“Be it resolved that the notes of the meeting held on February 15, 2022 be accepted as presented.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-02 – Linda Stopes – Lindsay Tallon
“Be it resolved that the Thessalon Marina/Arena/Parks Committee recommend to Council to approve changing the opening and closing date at the Marina to the Friday of the Victoria Day weekend and the closing date to the Monday of the Thanksgiving weekend.” **CARRIED**

2022-03-03 – Lindsay Tallon – Linda Stopes
“Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn at 5:45 p.m.” **CARRIED**

Chair

Recording Secretary

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Chair Linda Stopes declared the Regular Meeting open at 4:30p.m. Present in the Board Room was Secretary Dawn Allard. Attending via Zoom included Councillor Linda Stopes and Councillor Tracey Cooke. Guests included Tina Johncox and Janet Blake, who attended in person.

Delegation: None

Resolution No. 2022-01-01: Linda Stopes – Tracey Cooke: “Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting on May 19th, 2021 be adopted as presented.” **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2022-01-02: Linda Stopes – Tracey Cooke: “Be it resolved that the Committee recommend that Council approve the nomination of Mary Laundrie for Senior of the Year.” **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2022-01-03: Linda Stopes – Tracey Cooke: “Be it resolved that the Committee recommend that Council approve the Easter Egg Hunt on April 15th.” **CARRIED**


Resolution No. 2022-01-03: Linda Stopes – Tracey Cooke: “Be it resolved that the Committee recommend that Council approve that the registration fee for baseball be kept at \$20.” **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2022-01-04: Linda Stopes – Tracey Cooke: “Be it resolved that the Events and Activities Committee be adjourned at 5:25p.m.” **CARRIED**

Chair

Secretary

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS
FOR INFORMATION**

Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Minister College Park 777 Bay Street 5 th Floor Toronto ON M7A 1S5	Ministère des Services aux aînés et de l'Accessibilité Ministre College Park 777, rue Bay 5 ^e étage Toronto ON M7A 1S5	 Ontario
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February 24, 2022

His Worship Bill Rosenberg
Mayor, Town of Thessalon
townofthess@thessalon.ca lindsay@thessalon.ca

Dear Mayor Rosenberg:

I am writing to thank you for meeting with me as part of the 2022 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Virtual Conference. The matters affecting rural communities are of great importance to me and our government.

I appreciated the opportunity to discuss your town's Senior's Healthy Aging Committee, specifically improving housing and programming for seniors. Our government continues to invest in initiatives to help seniors and people with disabilities live in their homes while staying connected to families, friends and their community as the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

As Minister for Seniors and Accessibility, I know that providing seniors with access to the appropriate programs, services and information contributes to their overall health and well-being. If needed, please encourage the residents of the Town of Thessalon to review Ontario's [Guide to Programs and Services for Seniors](#), at www.Ontario.ca/seniorsguide, or call the Ontario Seniors InfoLine:

Telephone: 1-888-910-1999
TTY: 1-800-387-5559

Thank you again for your time, and for your contributions to Ontario. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By
Honourable Raymond Cho
Minister for Seniors and Accessibility

Ministry of Finance

Provincial-Local Finance Division

Frost Building North
95 Grosvenor Street
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1Y7

March 8, 2022

Dear Treasurer/Clerk-Treasurer:

I am pleased to inform you that your municipality's 2022 Transitional Mitigation Payment allocation will be issued during the week of March 7, 2022 through electronic funds transfer. This funding will be provided at the same level as in 2021.

As you know, the Transitional Mitigation Payment is provided in respect of the revenue adjustment related to the 2016 property tax exemption for non-profit long-term care homes.

Additional details are provided in the attached Transitional Mitigation Payment Allocation Notice.

If you require additional information, you may e-mail your inquiries and contact information to: Nancy.Kutas@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Allan Doheny
Assistant Deputy Minister Provincial-
Local Finance Division

**Ministry of Northern Development,
Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
Policy Division**

Director's Office

Crown Forests and Lands Policy Branch
70 Foster Drive, 3rd Floor
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 6V5

March 03, 2022

Re: Seeking input about the use of floating accommodations on waterways over Ontario's public lands

Greetings,

The Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNR) would like to make you aware of a Bulletin recently posted to the Environmental Registry of Ontario [<https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-5119>].

We are seeking to engage municipalities on potential ideas and approaches to manage "camping" and the use of floating accommodations on waterways over Ontario's public lands. The ministry is seeing increased interest in the use of waterways by various types of vessels (i.e., watercrafts equipped for overnight accommodation). In some cases, the ministry has heard concerns relating to vessels that are primarily designed for accommodation and not navigation.

We are seeking input from the public, Indigenous communities, and municipal associations, and various stakeholders including your organization **by April 19, 2022**.

Input from this process will inform consideration of potential future changes intended to address growing concerns around the impacts of this activity on Ontario waterways and those who use them.

Please note, no regulatory changes are being proposed at this time. Any regulatory or policy changes that may be considered in the future would be posted on the Environmental Registry for consultation purposes.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Julie Reeder, Sr. Program Advisor, Crown Lands Policy Section at Julie.reeder@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Peter D. Henry, R.P.F. Director
Crown Forests and Lands Policy Branch


- c. Pauline Desroches, Manager, Crown Lands Policy Section
Julie Reeder, Sr. Program Advisor, Crown Lands Policy Section

From: DeFrancesco, Grace (SOLGEN) <Grace.DeFrancesco@ontario.ca> On Behalf of Khawja, Teepu (SOLGEN)

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 9:21 AM

To: Numerous

Subject: Launch of the 2022 Emergency Management Exemplary Service Award

Ministry of the Solicitor General	Ministère du Solliciteur général 
Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management 25 Morton Shulman Avenue Toronto ON M3M 0B1 Tel: 647-329-1200	Bureau du commissaire des incendies et de la gestion des situations d'urgence 25, rue Morton Shulman Toronto (Ont.) M7A 1Y6 Tél.: 647 -329-1200

Date : March 17, 2022

To: Ontario's Emergency Management Professionals

From: Teepu Khawja, Assistant Deputy Minister and
Chief, Emergency Management Ontario

Re: Launch of the 2022 Emergency Management Exemplary Service Award

I am pleased to announce the 2022 launch of the nomination process for the national Emergency Management Exemplary Service Award (EMESA). This prestigious award, a partnership between federal, provincial, and territorial governments, was launched in 2017, and recognizes recipients who have achieved excellence in the fields of Resilient Communities, Youth, Outstanding Contribution to Emergency Management, Search and Rescue Volunteers, and Search and Rescue Employees.

After two years of living with the COVID-19 pandemic while continuing to manage our daily operations and emergency management and response efforts, it's important that we take this opportunity to recognize the extraordinary achievements of emergency management professionals who work tirelessly to keep Ontario safe and resilient.

This award is open to any emergency management professional or group working or volunteering in Canada. We kindly request that where a nominee's achievement is related solely to participation in a group initiative, consideration be given to nominating the group as a whole.

Emergency Management Ontario is now accepting nominations from across Ontario in the categories of Resilient Communities, Youth and Outstanding Contribution to Emergency Management. Nominations for these categories must be sent to askOFMEM@ontario.ca. Nominations for the Search and Rescue Volunteers and the Search and Rescue Employees categories must be sent directly to Public Safety Canada at emesa-psesc@ps-sp.gc.ca.

Please visit the Emergency Management Ontario website at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-management-careers-and-professional-development> or the Public Safety Canada website at <https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/mrgnc-mngmnt/xmplry-wrds/index-en.aspx> for further information. The deadline for nominations is July 1, 2022.

I would like to take this opportunity to also congratulate the 2019 award recipients from Ontario for their achieved excellence. You can read more about their achievements at <http://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/mrgnc-mngmnt/xmplry-wrds/rcpnts-2019-en.aspx>.

I encourage you to share this opportunity across Ontario's emergency management community and please consider nominating a deserving individual or group for this prestigious award.

Please send any questions about this exciting initiative to askOFMEM@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Teepu Khawja
Assistant Deputy Minister & Chief, Emergency Management Ontario
Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management

From: IESO Community Engagement <communityengagement@ieso.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 11:34 AM
To: TownOfThess <townofthess@thessalon.ca>
Subject: Municipal involvement in procuring new electricity supply facilities

Sent on behalf of Carla Y. Nell, Vice-President, Corporate Relations, Stakeholder Engagement and Innovation, IESO

Dear Mayor Rosenberg,

It is my pleasure to reach out to you on behalf of the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). As you may know, the IESO is the provincial agency responsible for ensuring there is enough power to meet the province's electricity needs reliably and cost-effectively today and in the future.

This email is to inform you about some important efforts taking place this year in Ontario's electricity system that may be of interest to your community, and to invite you to join important discussions on these topics throughout the year.

This is a pivotal time for Ontario's electricity sector, and communities are playing a growing role in the province's rapidly shifting electricity landscape.

In discussions with mayors and members of Council, business owners and community representatives, we are seeing how economic development continues to drive the province and municipalities forward. As a result, power system planning is increasingly occurring at the local level as municipalities demonstrate their climate priorities through sustainability plans and broad electrification goals.

These are essential inputs for our long-term system planning – including helping to inform the construction of new facilities to reliably power the province into the future. Your future electricity needs continue to be our priority and we are committed to working together to plan for Ontario's electricity future.

In our recently released [Annual Planning Outlook](#), we identified some of the big issues and trends facing the sector, and we welcome your perspectives as we move to address them in the months to come. These include:

- Ontario will need critical new electricity supply this decade to meet a dramatic rise in demand. This is the result of strong economic growth in the industrial, mining and agricultural sectors, as well as an expected increase in electrification.
- Region-specific needs across the province will require careful planning and collaboration. Pockets of demand are being driven by robust economic growth, as well as generation losses like the retirement of the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station, which will contribute to significant local and province-wide supply gaps over the next decade.

- Ontario's GHG emissions remain an important issue, and the IESO will be exploring [pathways to decarbonization](#). Meanwhile, work is underway to include more non-emitting forms of supply in Ontario and creating an environment that can facilitate new opportunities for local energy projects.

Municipalities will play an essential role as we explore solutions that will ensure reliability for tomorrow's electricity system.

In the coming weeks, the IESO will be initiating important discussions to inform our system planning work, in particular around the development of new facilities to meet Ontario's future electricity needs. An invitation will be sent to you and other municipal staff to join us (virtually) on April 12 to talk about the role of municipalities as the IESO begins a process to procure new supply facilities. We encourage you to join us for this conversation.

You can also stay involved and up to date on these important topics by accessing our new [community engagement webpage](#).

This critical work and your involvement will not only help ensure Ontarians have access to electricity where and when they need it, it will keep our economy powering forward into the future.

We look forward to working closely with municipalities across Ontario as we plan for the future. If you would like to discuss any of these priorities, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Carla Y. Nell

Vice-President, Corporate Relations, Stakeholder Engagement and Innovation, IESO

From: Sahithi Bollu <sbollu@fpac.ca>

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 12:02 PM

To: TownOfThess <townofthess@thessalon.ca>

Subject: Fighting Climate Change Through Canadian Forestry / La foresterie canadienne pour lutter contre les changements climatiques

Dear Mayor Bird,

Canada's forest sector is ready and willing to be part of the post-pandemic, green recovery in your community and across the country. We are quite excited about the future and the environmental, social, and economic opportunities before us.

Our sector and its people also recognize, in the face of worsening pest outbreaks and more catastrophic fire patterns, through sustainable forest management we can also support forest health and resilience and community safety.

Over the last few months, Forest Products Association of Canada (FPAC) has been working to raise the public's awareness about forestry's solutions through our *Forestry for the Future* campaign.

Today, I wanted to share with you a new documentary exploring the role our forests and sustainably-sourced forest products can play in our collective effort to lower greenhouse gas emissions.

Told through the perspective of five individuals, *Capturing Carbon: Fighting Climate Change Through Canadian Forestry* takes you from the forest floor in BC, where foresters are facing a challenged and changing landscape to Southern Ontario where wood manufacturing and innovative architecture and engineering are helping build the sustainable cities of tomorrow.

In the coming weeks, we will be releasing a series of shorts and trailers, but we wanted you to have a look at the full documentary and help us spread the word about the role sustainable forestry and forestry workers can play in supporting a cleaner and greener future.

You can use the buttons below to watch the full documentary or pass along to family and friends via Twitter.

[Watch the Full Documentary](#) | [Share on Twitter](#) | <https://www.forestryforthefuture.ca/doc>

Be safe and well and thank you in advance for your support.

Derek

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25 FEBRUARY 2022

Habitat for Humanity SSM expanding to entire Algoma District

Habitat for Humanity Sault Ste. Marie & Area (HFHSSMA), with the approval of Habitat Canada, will expand their service area to the entire Algoma District.

Since 2002, HFHSSMA has served families from Sault Ste. Marie to as far as Heyden in the north and Echo Bay in the east. While this area covers roughly 70% of Algoma's population, the non-profit has recognized that there is a need for safe, decent, and affordable housing across all of Algoma.

Compared to Sault Ste. Marie, households in the Algoma District have a lower average income, spend more of their income on shelter, and have more households in need of major repairs.

"Providing families with appropriate and affordable housing is what Habitat exists to do. Since the pandemic began, we have seen an increase in the number of applications to our homeownership program. Access to housing is only going to become more challenging with current market conditions. Expanding our territory to the whole Algoma District allows us the opportunity to provide families outside Sault Ste. Marie with affordable housing which is more important now than ever before," states Frank Bentreovato, Habitat Board Chair.

The Sault is uniquely located along the TransCanada highway, putting HFHSSMA in a good position to help meet the need for housing in surrounding communities and to serve populations in rural locations that traditionally have more barriers to housing, such as newcomers, seniors, single mothers, and people with accessibility needs. Serving these communities will allow Habitat to help those who are facing intersectional and systemic issues related to housing.

The non-profit has already begun developing relationships with towns throughout Algoma and encourages any communities interested in learning more about Habitat to reach out.

Habitat is also exploring opportunities for seasonal pop-up ReStore locations in the East and North.

"We hope that this expansion will help us raise awareness of our mission, engage more sponsors and donors, bring the joy of the ReStore to more folks across the district, and ultimately help more families build strength, stability, and self-reliance through affordable homeownership," states Chelsey Foucher, Fundraising & Marketing Coordinator.

A chapter system will be a key element of Habitat's expansion. Chapters will be made up of service-oriented volunteers who agree to champion the construction of a Habitat Home

(or homes) outside of Sault Ste. Marie by fundraising and forming partnerships in their own communities. The organization is also considering a renovations and repairs program.

Habitat is seeking support from individuals and businesses throughout the Algoma District, including volunteers, donations of rental spaces for pop-up ReStores, vehicle dealerships interested in donating, and building contractors and supply stores interested in becoming sponsors or donors. Those interested in starting a Chapter can contact the organization for more information.

Habitat is also recruiting motivated and experienced individuals interested in joining their volunteer Board of Directors this June. In particular, the organization is seeking those who have a professional accounting designation or a degree in business. The Board meets six times per year and each Director contributes to a minimum of one committee, playing an active role in fundraising and public relations activities. Interested individuals are encouraged to send a resume and cover letter to Katie Blunt, Executive Director, at executivedirector@habitatsault.ca.

The non-profit has recently completed a semi-detached build on Wellington Street West and is breaking ground on their fully accessible Blake Avenue build this spring. If you would like to donate to or sponsor an upcoming build, please contact Chelsey Foucher, Fundraising & Marketing Coordinator, at marketing@habitatsault.ca.

About Habitat for Humanity Sault Ste. Marie and Area

Founded in 2002, Habitat for Humanity Sault Ste. Marie & Area is a non-profit community-based organization working towards a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. HFHSSMA offers a sustainable solution to the housing crisis facing our communities by mobilizing volunteers and community partners to build affordable housing and promoting home ownership.

For more information:

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Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity Sault Ste. Marie & Area
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Situated on the traditional land of the Anishinaabe Peoples in the Robinson-Huron Treaty territory which is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

From: Chelsey Foucher <marketing@habitatsault.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 4, 2022 1:43 PM
Subject: Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors - Seeking Applicants

Good afternoon!

I'm hoping that your newsletter might help us promote some volunteer opportunities on our Board of Directors. We are hoping to fill 4 board member positions with folks throughout the Algoma District. The info can be found on our website at <https://habitatsault.ca/board-of-directors-application/>

Seeking New Board Members

Habitat for Humanity Sault Ste. Marie & Area is looking for motivated and experienced individuals throughout the Algoma District who have the skills, passion, and vision to contribute as valued members of our volunteer Board of Directors. We are looking to fill four new positions. We are especially seeking individuals who have...

1. A professional accounting designation
2. A business degree

The Board of Directors meets 6 times per year and each Director contributes to a minimum of one committee. They also play an active role in fundraising and public relations activities, such as groundbreaking and dedication ceremonies.

Board members generally serve two-year terms. A Vulnerable Sector Check is required.

Please send resume and cover letter, or any questions, to Katie Blunt, Executive Director, at executivedirector@habitatsault.ca

Please let me know if you have any questions/whether you can help spread the word

Thank you kindly,

Chelsey Foucher (She/her/hers)

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F O N O M

Northern Ontario Transportation Task Force

March 3rd, 2022

To: Heads of Councils, their Council colleagues, and Senior Municipal Staff

In January, I was pleased to hear Minister Mulroney announce the Northern Ontario Transportation Task Force (NOTTF).

During our initial discussions with ministry staff regarding the Task Force, I stressed the importance of these discussions, be held in the North by people of the North. Minister Mulroney heard this message, and in appointing Mayor Landry, Chair of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, and myself as President of The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Minister ensured all northern Ontario municipalities have the opportunity to participate and provide input.

Several northern Ontario municipalities have their respective associations, and every district association in the northeast has a FONOM Board member representing their interests. Further, our largest municipalities in the northeast, North Bay, Timmins, Sudbury, and Sault Ste. Marie have a FONOM representative and district representative available to gather their input.

The NOTTF will also be contacting many local transportation experts within our membership area to provide their input and expertise to the task force.

I encourage all municipal councils, airport boards, transportation committees to reach out in writing to your FONOM Board members or directly to our FONOM office with your concerns about our suggestions for the NOTTF.

I also ask our municipal membership to reach out to their local road safety coalitions, school safety groups, and other interested parties to make them aware of the opportunity to provide input.

Please provide all submissions to fonom.info@gmail.com , which will be provided to me, and I will present to the entire task force membership. To share thoughts with the Ministry please send submissions to NorthernTransportationPlan@ontario.ca

Sincerely,



Danny Whalen President

March 16, 2022

Danny Whalen, President
Federation of Northern Ontario
Municipalities

Email: dwhalen@temiskamingshores.ca

Re: NOSM Expansion Announcement

Dear Danny,

I write with deep humility and appreciation for your efforts and advocacy for medical education expansion for NOSM. Your voices were heard loud and clear and yesterday the Ontario government added 30 more undergraduate and 41 additional postgraduate positions to our complement to roll out over the next 5 years.

I would be so grateful if you could send this message to the Mayors, Councillors and City Councils on my behalf to say: Thank you, Merci, Marsi, Miigwetch.

Collectively you helped us take a valued and important step in transforming the health-care system in Northern Ontario. With these increases we will eliminate the gaps in health human resources and create equitable access to care in northern Ontario. Now, NOSM will be Canada's first independent medical university and with your ongoing support we will continue to be one of the greatest education and physician workforce strategy success stories of Northern Ontario.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for everything you all did and have done for NOSM. I look forward to speaking at NOMA's annual meeting in April and at the FONOM meeting in May.

With warm regards,

Sarita Verma BA, LLB, MD, CCFP, FCFP
Dean, President, and CEO
Northern Ontario School of Medicine

cc: Mac Bain fonom.info@gmail.com

From: FONOM Office/ Bureau de FONOM <fonom.info@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 6, 2022 8:34 PM
Subject: Nine weeks until the start of the 2022 FONOM Conference

Good morning
Please share this email with your Council and Senior Staff.

“BIG DATA Means BIG IDEAS”.

2022 FONOM Conference

Hosted by the City of North Bay, May 9-11, 2022
Best Western, 700 Lakeshore Drive, North Bay, ON (705) 474-5800

Don't miss out! This year's **in-person** Conference will be an informative event for municipal representatives on issues relevant to Northern municipalities.

This year's Keynote speaker is Doug Griffiths. Doug is the author of **13 Ways to Kill Your Community**. He will provide a lively, full of personality, conversational, breezy, concise, and fun session. One can imagine seeking out information on boosting their local community, sighing dutifully as they seek out material, and then being relieved and delighted when what they find turns out to be as entertaining as it is informative.

During the FONOM Conference Hosted by the City of North Bay in May, FONOM will be hosting a **Northern Leaders Debate**, with three of the four Leaders confirmed. The FONOM Board would like to solicit our members for debate questions they would like to have asked during the debate. We would ask that the question be submitted **by Friday, April 29**. The FONOM Executive Committee will review the questions for consideration. Please ensure the question is of regional importance.

Other planned Agenda Items for the 2022 FONOM Conference are:

Cultural Mindfulness, NWMO Safety Transportation plan, Reception at Gateway Casino, MPAC Update, Insurance pricing explained, Banquet, AGM, a path forward to Mental Health, Homelessness and Addiction, and an update from FedNor.

Talk soon, Mac

Mac Bain
Executive Director
The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
615 Hardy Street North Bay, ON, P1B 8S2
Ph. 705-498-9510

The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative's Annual General Meeting (AGM) is back again! The **in-person** meeting will be held in St. Catharines, Ontario on **June 22-24**. This will be the first time we will be able to gather in person since 2019 and we have an exciting agenda of speakers and topics to cover. We are also planning a number of activities that will give you ample opportunity to collaborate and get reacquainted with your fellow mayors.

Member - Early Bird - CA\$451.89 (sales end on May 15, 2022)

June 22-24, 2022

Agenda*

*Subject to change

Tuesday, June 21 - Arrival Dessert Reception (7:30pm-9:00pm)

Wednesday, June 22 - Day 1 - Branding and Waterfront Revitalization (7:30am-9:30pm)

1. Plenary - Branding Your Community and the Region for Success
2. Roundtable - Cruising to Success - Opportunities for Shoreline Cities
3. Roundtable - Brownfields to Blue Horizons - Developing Our Waterfronts for the 21st Century
4. 2022 Membership Meeting
5. Annual Gala - Tastes of Canada - The Gala will be hosted at Queen Victoria Place Restaurant, at the edge of the Canadian side of Niagara Falls - Regional food stations, entertainment, the view of the illuminated Falls at night

Thursday, June 23 - Day 2 - Infrastructure and Innovation (7:30am-10:00pm)

1. Plenary - Plugging the Holes - Innovative Municipal Financing
2. Roundtable - Go Highway H2O - Advancing the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Trade Corridor
3. Roundtable - The BlueTech Roundup - Building Up Our Water Innovation Clusters
4. Fabien Cousteau - "The Blue Economy - Intersections Between the Environment and the Economy" - This year's keynote speaker is aquanaut and ocean conservationist Fabien Cousteau. Mr. Cousteau will deliver a riveting address on the important intersection between environmental stewardship and economic resilience
5. Regional Tours
6. 2022 Cities Initiative Awards Dinner

Friday, June 24 - Day 3 - Enjoy Your Day in St. Catharines (7:30am)

1. Tours Available - Niagara Vineyards, Niagara Breweries, Niagara Falls by Boat, golf outing, watersports along St. Catharines' coast

ALGOMA DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER & NOTE MEMBERS PRESENT

President Lynn Watson called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Round table introductions.

Presents:

Mariola Morin, Councillor, Town of Bruce Mines
Georges Bilodeau, Mayor, Township of Huron Shores
Lynn Watson, Mayor, Township of McDonald, Meredith, Aberdeen Additional
Ken Lamming, Mayor, Prince Township
Jody Wildman, Mayor, Township of St-Joseph
Beverly Nantel, Mayor, Township of Dubreuilville
Cheryl Fort, Mayor, Township of Hornepayne
Jocelyne Bishop, Mayor, Town of Spanish
Tony Moor, Mayor, Township of the North Shore
Sally Hagman, Mayor, Town of Blind River
Bill Rosenburg, Mayor, Town of Thessalon
Cathy Cyr, Executive Director ADMA, Clerk, Municipality of Wawa

Regrets:

Blaine Mersereau, Mayor, Township of Johnson
Jim Dunbar, Councillor, Town of Blind River
Beth West, Mayor, Township of Plummer Additional
Tracey Cooke, Councillor, Town of Thessalon
Ian Chambers, Councillor, Prince Township
Linda Stopes, Councillor, Town of Thessalon
Jody Orto, Councillor, Town of Bruce Mines
Amanda Richardson, Township of St-Joseph
Keith Hoback, Township of Plummer Additional
Shelley Casey, Township of Dubreuilville
Pat Tait, Mayor, Municipality of Wawa
Mary-Louise Zarichney, Councillor, Town of Spanish
Lennie Smith, Mayor, Township of Tarbutt & Tarbutt
Todd Rydall, Councillor, Township of Laird
Barbara Barton, Councillor, Township of The North Shore
Shelley Bailey, Councillor, Township of McDonald, Meredith, Aberdeen Add'l
Dick Beitz, Mayor, Township of Laird
Angelo Bazzoni, Mayor, Township of White River
Rodney Wood, Mayor, Township of Hilton
Randie Condie, Mayor, Township of The North Shore

2. REVIEW OF ADDENDUM & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: Sally Hagman

R. 2022-01

Seconded by: Ken Lamming

RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the Algoma District Municipal Association scheduled for Saturday, February 26, 2022, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS / OPENING REMARKS

Purpose of the meeting is to develop 3 or 4 questions to pose the candidates in the upcoming Provincial Elections which is scheduled to be held on June 2, 2022.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

3. OLD BUSINESS

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Questions to Provincial Government Electoral Candidates

It appears the top three areas of concern are:

- 1. Housing: Northern Ontario has a high percentage of old housing stock. The vast distances, harsh weather, low population density, and growing migration to larger urban centres have impacted housing in the communities. Some issues we have identified include: limited new housing, with high construction costs and short construction season; lack of affordable rental housing for low to moderate income tenants, and the mix-matched demand and supply for social housing; poor conditions of housing stock with costs for maintenance and repairs; high energy costs; lack of adequate housing for the growing senior population who want to remain in their community but require more supports; growing prevalence of homelessness; and finally, limited supportive housing for persons in need of support living without adequate resources. Can you tell us what your government plans to address the housing crisis in rural and remote communities?**
 - 2. Broadband: access to affordable high-speed Internet and mobile wireless coverage is critical to the continued**
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vibrancy and success of rural Ontario. It is essential for personal and professional communications, to grow a business, to apply to jobs, to do homework or linking to other schools for programming and to access government services. Although some communities have access to mobile coverage, there are substantial gaps along highways and major roads without mobile cellular signage posing a safety risk to our drivers in remote rural areas. Please describe to us how your government would address access to high-speed internet and mobile coverage in the remote rural areas of Ontario.

- 3. Health Care (includes mental health): An adequate and effective healthcare system includes many key aspects that are linked together. Please describe issues that you've seen in healthcare for the people of Algoma-Manitoulin and tell us how your government would approach healthcare. Include specific key aspects and what needs to be done to ensure they work properly.**

The group also talked about ambulance service in the North Algoma region wherein the unincorporated areas are receiving the services for ambulance but do not contribute taxation dollars to community who pay for the service. The work camps are not paying their fair share of taxation for services provided by our communities.

The Algoma Public Health provided a presentation to the Town of Blind River, and Mayor Hagman encouraged the group to invite APH to its next meeting to receive the presentation.

The communities / municipal association in the Manitoulin Island area are talking about the same issues as the ADMA, and it was suggested that the Executive Director reach out to the municipal association.

The Township of Hornepayne will be making a delegation at the OGRA conference regarding Drive Test and the impact it has on Northern communities. Some drivers are forced to travel long distances to obtain their driver's license. Highway maintenance was another area of concern.

Process – invite Candidates to Special meeting with Group?

Not applicable.

Select Spokesperson for Group

Not applicable.

4. NEXT MEETING

9.1 *Date & Location of Next Meeting (resolution)*

Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom

Fall meeting will be held in-person. Date and location to be determined.

5. CLOSING REMARKS

None.

6. MEETING CLOSE

Moved by: Sally Hagman

R. 2022-02

Seconded by: Cheryl Fort

RESOLVED THAT the meeting close at 10:14 a.m.

CARRIED.

LYNN WATSON, PRESIDENT

CATHY CYR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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March 16, 2022

Hon. Minister Steve Clark
College Park 17th Flr, 777 Bay St,
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

RE: Report of the Ontario Housing Affordability Task Force

We have received the report on Housing Affordability and it raises some concerns.

The concern we have is the consideration of 'ending exclusionary municipal rules' blocking or delaying new development. As you know municipalities constantly seek development and the benefits that come with that. It is also most important to a municipality how development occurs and that it meets the guidelines and vision of the municipality. The Report generally seems to suggest planning and development should be in the hands of the developer and individual residents.

Recommendation 1 & 2: It seems excessive to plan for 1.5 million new homes in the next 10 years. Is it realistic and can the province accommodate that much growth, especially as much of that development will be built on agricultural land and our current highway infrastructure is insufficient to accommodate that kind of expansion. We would agree that concentration of development should be kept to down town and inner cities that have transit and existing infrastructure that could be adapted to housing.

Recommendation 3-11: The recommendations here are very troubling. To suggest that we virtually eliminate municipal control and permit a free-for-all is ludicrous. With years and years spent on promoting planning, how can we consider throwing open the door and allowing 'as of right' for 'four units and four storeys on a residential lot', 'amend the building code to essentially create unsafe housing by allowing such things as 'single staircase for four storeys, and single egress for four storeys', etc.

If you have ever visited anyone in a big city you know how difficult it is to secure parking, in Recommendation 8-9 it is suggested to do 'unlimited height and unlimited density, with NO minimum parking requirements.

Recommendation 12 is couched in simple terms of 'create a more permissive land use', then it goes on to suggest we do away with preservation of character, exempt site plans for 10 units or less, establish province wide setbacks and standards for zoning and remove any floorplate restrictions for high-density towers. This hardly seems a more permissive approach but rather a very radical and disturbing approach.

Recommendation 13-18 suggest among other things the 'mandatory' delegation of approval to staff and away from Council. What staff person would want that sole responsibility. This is one of the reasons we have an appeal process, which is also recommended to be eliminated.

In house development approval times are an inhouse issue and should not be legislated across the province. Bureaucracy is always an issue, removing or limiting planning and control from municipalities is more bureaucracy coming down from the Province.

It is the bureaucracy coming from ministries now that causes the greatest delays as municipalities try to meet all of the restrictions placed on them.

Recommendation 19 starts out with a good idea of setting timelines at each stage of review. However, suggesting an application is approved if the time lines are exceeded opens a door for endless abuse.

Recommendations 20- 23 & 25 - 26 have merit

Recommendation 24 is very concerning in the mid to long term by allowing 12 storey buildings to be constructed out of wood.

Recommendation 27 'Prevent abuse of process' is a great idea, however a) removal of right to appeal and b) requiring a \$10,000.00 appeal fee for third parties is unacceptable as suggested. Item c) adjudicators having discretion to award costs has merit.

Recommendations 28-48 have merit with further discussion.

Recommendation 49 'reduction of funding to municipalities that fail to meet provincial targets would not address all the variables with the broad range of municipalities and staffing across the province.

Recommendations 50- 58 significantly add to the bureaucracy that already exists and places tremendous pressure on small municipalities with few staff and no expertise in house.

In closing it is also noted that task force members did not come from small, rural or northern municipalities.

It is hoped that this report is but an opportunity to open discussion and that before any recommendations are implemented that the municipalities and planning boards will have an opportunity to respond.

Perhaps a constructive bit of bureaucracy would be to make responding to proposed changes mandatory to ensure that all municipalities are heard.

Respectfully,

Glenn Martin, Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HURON SHORES
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

FOR A PROPOSED SITE-SPECIFIC ZONING AMENDMENT

TAKE NOTICE, that the Corporation of The Municipality of Huron Shores will hold a Public Meeting on **April 13th, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.** to consider a proposed Site-Specific Zoning Amendment to By-law #18-18 being the Comprehensive Zoning By-law of the Municipality of Huron Shores.

An application has been received under Section 34 of the Planning Act, Municipal File No. 2022-Z-01. The proposed amendment is site-specific to the properties described as PLAN H792, LOT 20 AND PLAN H791, LOT 15, RCP, THESSALON, (PIN: 31446-0541) to permit a fire-training site.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of The Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores on the proposed Site-Specific Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written or email request to The Municipality of Huron Shores, 7 Bridge St., PO Box 460, Iron Bridge, ON P0R 1H0.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores, before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores, before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment can be made available by contacting amber@huronshores.ca.

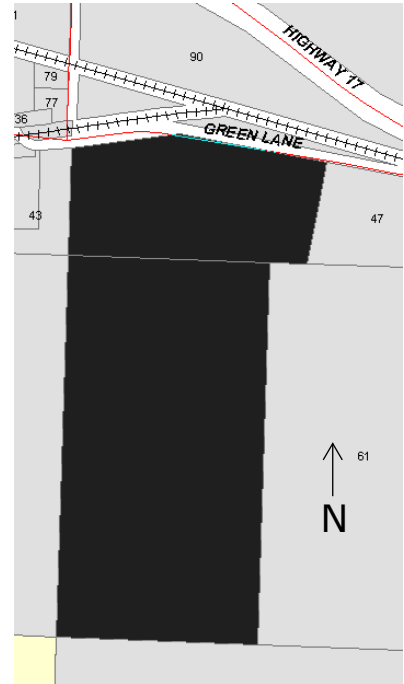
For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact via the information below.

A sketch showing the property involved is enclosed herewith.

Dated at the Municipality of Huron Shores this 15st day of March, 2022.

Amber Burgler

Assistant Deputy Clerk
Municipality of Huron Shores
7 Bridge Street, P.O. Box 460
Iron Bridge, Ontario P0R 1H0
705-843-2033
amber@huronshores.ca



Caryn Orchard
24 Dawson Street
Thessalon, On
P0R1L0

Dear Mayor & Council Members of the Town of Thessalon.

With the lifting of COVID restriction on the horizon, I am writing to you to ask that consideration be taken to reimplement summertime day programs for local children. Some of the other small local communities have some excellent summer programs that run through the day / half day that are managed by the Recreation Coordinator and Summer Students.

I am sure you are all aware of the mental and social impact that the COVID restrictions have had on our children. Summer programs are an excellent way to have children continue to work on and develop social skills throughout the summer months while they are not attending school. These are also great programs to keep kids busy through the summer and hopefully keep them out of trouble.

I assume this topic is already on Council's radar and I look forward to seeing what the summer holds for our town.

Keep up the great work.

Caryn Orchard

Council:

This request will be given further consideration at the April Events and Activities Committee meeting.

Robert

THESSALON PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 7, 2022

THESE MINUTES ARE THE INTERPRETATION OF THE RECORDER ONLY AND ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE.

Chair Jordan Bird declared the Regular Meeting open at 7:18 p.m. Present in the W. J. Barrett Chambers were Chair Jordan Bird, Mayor Bill Rosenberg, Councillor Marcel Baron, members Kevin King and Tom Mills, and Secretary Lindsay MacFarlane. Attending via Zoom from 7:18 p.m. to 8:05 p.m. was Chris Jones from Municipal Planning Services Ltd.

Delegation: Chris Jones – Zoning By-law Update

Resolution No. 2022-03-01: Kevin King – Tom Mills: “Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting on February 14, 2022 be adopted as presented.” **CARRIED**

Resolution No. 2022-03-02: Kevin King – Tom Mills: “Be it resolved that the Planning Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.” **CARRIED**

Jordan Bird, Chair

Lindsay MacFarlane, Secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

March 10, 2022

Mayor and Council:

The Human Resources Committee met at 12:00 p.m. on March 10, 2022. Present were: Bill Rosenberg, Mayor, Jordan Bird, Chair, Tracey Cooke, Sub-Chair, Robert P. MacLean, Clerk-Treasurer and Debbie Rydall, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, to discuss the following:

Re: Exit Interview Policy

The Human Resources Committee is recommending to Council to approve the attached Exit Interview Policy.

Re: Accessible Agenda on Website

You may recall a few years back, the Council agenda becoming digital. This meant that each member of Council received the agenda digitally and not printed unless they requested. Also, we started at that time placing the full agenda package on the website.

Starting in January 2021 all items placed on our website had to be accessible. Therefore, in order to be in compliance, we pulled any item that was not accessible off our website and have been updating and reposting accessible items since.

Placing the full agenda in an accessible format has been very time consuming. We have confirmation from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing that it is not a requirement to place the full agenda on the website, but in fact only the front page(s).

The Human Resources Committee is recommending to Council to authorize that the front summary page(s) only of the agenda be placed on our website.

Thank you for giving the above your attention.



Jordan Bird
Human Resources Chair

The Corporation of the
TOWN OF THESSALON

EXIT INTERVIEW POLICY

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to identify workplace, organizational or human resources factors that have contributed to an employee's decision to leave employment; to enable the Town of Thessalon to identify any trends requiring attention or any opportunities for improving the Town of Thessalon's ability to respond to employee issues; and to allow the Town of Thessalon to improve and continue to develop recruitment and retention strategies aimed at addressing these issues.

This policy covers the procedures to be adopted when employees of the Town of Thessalon leave employment for whatever reason.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to all employees. Exceptions include temporary or contract employees and employees discharged for cause.

The Human Resources Committee will conduct exit interviews with employees, once the employee-confirmed departure date has been received.

PROCEDURE:

The Human Resources Committee will contact the employee in writing, inviting him/her to attend an exit interview at a mutually convenient time. The exit interview should take place as soon as possible after the confirmed leaving date has been received by Council.

The employee will be asked a standard set of questions and given a chance to discuss any concerns of information they feel would be beneficial for the Town of Thessalon to know about their employment experience for the municipality.

If an employee chooses not to participate in an exit interview, he/she will be encouraged to complete an Exit Interview Questionnaire.

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION AND CONFIDENTIALITY:

Employees are responsible for participating in the exit interview process on a voluntary basis. If an employee chooses to participate in an exit interview, he/she will be encouraged to be honest, candid, and constructive in their responses.

The information received through Exit Interviews will be confidential. No specific information that could possibly be traced back to an ex-employee will be disseminated or discussed.

REPORTING:

The information will be analyzed by the Human Resources Committee to identify areas or determine trends that may need to be addressed. The Human Resources Committee will provide their analysis and recommendations to Council.

This policy is approved by resolution of the Council of the Municipality of the Town of Thessalon, this 21st day of March, 2022.

Mayor _____

Clerk-Treasurer _____

March 10, 2022

Mayor and Council:

The Finance Committee met at 11:00 a.m. on March 10, 2022. Present were: Bill Rosenberg, Mayor, Jordan Bird, Chair, and Debbie Rydall, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, to discuss the following:

Re: WSIB Online Payments

The Finance Committee is recommending to Council to authorize that any future WSIB payments be paid through online banking.

Re: Volunteer Firefighters DZ Licence Fee

The Finance Committee is recommending to Council to authorize that Thessalon Volunteer Firefighters be reimbursed the fee to renew their DZ licence.

Re: 2022 Preliminary Budget

For your information, the Finance Committee is in the process of reviewing the preliminary budget for the 2022 year. There are still a couple of amounts that we are waiting on (ADSAB budget, insurance etc.).

Thank you for giving the above your attention.



Jordan Bird
Human Resources Chair

March 17, 2022

Mayor and Council:

At the March 7, 2022 meeting, the Planning Advisory Committee reviewed a Deeming By-law Process in which a resident who owns adjoining lots within a subdivision can apply to have their lots consolidated. When a Deeming By-law is passed, it deems the lots no longer to be within the plan of subdivision which will then allow the lots to be consolidated.

Please note that the Planning Advisory Committee does not guarantee the approval of a Deeming By-law application. The property owners/applicants will be made aware that once the deeming by-law is passed and registered, the lots cannot be dealt with separately in the future unless the deeming by-law is repealed or the lots are severed.

The Planning Advisory Committee would like to recommend to Council to amend By-law 1800 Schedule F with the addition of a Deeming By-law Application at the cost of \$250.00 plus all associated costs. The Town solicitor will need to review a Deeming By-law before it is passed then register the Deeming By-law once passed; therefore, the committee recommends the addition of all associated costs to ensure legal fees are covered.

Thank you for giving the above your consideration,

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Jordan Bird
Planning Advisory Committee Chair

March 15, 2022

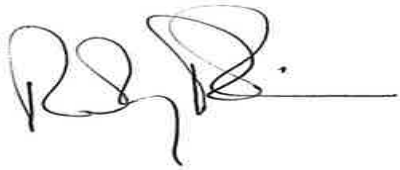
Mayor and Council,

Re: Asset Management Plan and Asset Management Policy

The Asset Management Plan Committee and the Finance Committee reviewed the Asset Management Plan and the Asset Management Policy which will be presented by Julia, the Asset Manager and Administrative Coordinator, at the March 21, 2022 regular meeting and is recommending to Council to adopt both the Asset Management Plan and the Asset Management Policy.

Please note, Julia will also provide Council with a demonstration of the newly uploaded asset management program.

Thank you for giving the above your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Randy Rankin', followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Randy Rankin
Asset Management Committee Chair

March 18, 2022

Council:

Tracey will provide an update regarding physician coverage and recruitment.

Robert

March 21, 2022

Mayor and Council,

Kindly find below the funding criteria for the Seniors Can! Grant from Help Age Canada. After reviewing the project objectives and what would best fit our needs, it was discussed that a Seniors Wellness Event would benefit the residents of Thessalon. These funds will provide older adults and people with disabilities an opportunity to learn more about programs and initiatives delivered by local organizations, volunteer groups, and businesses while also receiving a free healthy meal and wellness package.

Therefore, the Healthy Aging Committee is recommending to complete the application under the program objective "Innovative Programming" and emphasis on social outings.

Thank you for giving the above your consideration.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alice Radley".

Alice Radley

Healthy Aging Committee Chair

Seniors Can! (Aînés Debout!) is an initiative of HelpAge Canada designed to help low-income seniors across Canada avoid isolation and loneliness and to engage more fully with their communities. The grant program provides financial assistance through partnering charitable agencies for mobility and communication enhancing equipment, oral health procedures not covered by healthcare, for social and wellbeing-promoting activities or programming, including transportation to these activities, and for emergency relief support.

Through the generous support of the Founding Program Partner, HelpAge Canada offers three grant programs. Partner organizations may apply for individual seniors or for programming that serves a population of seniors. Local Community Partners (LCPs) may receive grants of up to \$10,000 for each of the grant streams. Integral to the grant program is our ability to capture and tell these good news stories.

We operate on an annual granting cycle with an application deadline of March 31st. We accept applications at any time, with grants awarded within 60 days of the application close.

INTENDED IMPACTS

As a result of HelpAge Canada and the Seniors Can! Program:

- Aging adults experience dignity and joy as they age
- Aging adults exercise their voice and choice in wellbeing
- Aging adults are active, resilient, and healthy
- Aging adults experience belonging and meaningful social connection
- Communities know, appreciate, and serve the needs of aging adults

SPECIFICS

There are three Grants available.

The Senior Well-Being Grant offers a holistic approach to support seniors. LCPs may apply for up to \$10,000 to directly support one or more low-income seniors with mobility and communication equipment or devices, dental care, and/or for services such as transportation, delivered meals or senior center memberships, etc.

Innovative Programming Grant offers up to \$10,000 to a charitable organization to deliver innovative social programming for seniors.

The Emergency Relief Grant of up to \$10,000 is intended for extraordinary emergencies such as responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Senior Well-Being Grant

A grant of up to \$10,000 to assist low-income seniors with the purchase and installation of mobility and communication-enhancing equipment or devices, dental health needs or for other social supports such as transportation, meal programs, digital literacy etc.

Equipment and devices may include:

- Adjustable height or raised toilet seats
- Bed pull-up Ts
- Bicycles or tricycles customized for disabled persons
- Canes, crutches, walkers
- Car seats that provide restraint and support for disabled persons
- Chair, bed or bathtub lifts, Handrails and grab bars
- Scooters and transporters for disabled persons

- Shower chairs and stools
- Swivel seats that enable a disabled person to rotate in order to rise from a chair
- Wheelchairs, including batteries, cushions, safety belts, ramps
- Dentures or oral surgery not covered by Provincial or Federal Healthcare

Social support services may include such activities as:

- Annual memberships with organizations that offer social, recreational, or educational programs for seniors
- Social meals for seniors through food banks or social service providers
- Food hamper delivery
- Visits for elderly persons living alone
- Meals on Wheels or similar program

Innovative Programming Grant

A grant of up to \$10,000 to cover the partner organization's programming costs for social or wellbeing-promoting activities and/or transportation for seniors to these activities. Programs must demonstrate participation of at least 5 regular participants. Innovative and creative programs are encouraged. Programming may include programs such as:

- Exercise classes
- Meal programs
- Artistic, musical, spiritual, or athletic activity
- Social outings programs

Emergency Relief Grant

A gift to the recipient of up to \$10,000 for emergency support for seniors to access medications, food, hygiene products, personal care, social support or other needs and for support for healthcare workers or volunteers serving seniors. This Emergency Support is granted in cases of emergency and may be applied for, without limit in a given year consecutively once the Recipient has completed its reporting requirements of a previous Emergency Relief Program Grant.

PARTNERSHIP OBJECTIVES

By submitting an application to the Seniors Can! Program, partner organization agrees to work with HelpAge Canada to achieve the following partnership objectives:

- Promoting both the equipment and social support branches of the Seniors Can! Program, with a view to providing wholistic support and individual-centric solutions to isolation and loneliness;
- Ongoing transparent information sharing through responsive, open, and honest communications.
- Telling the story. To build the program to a national and ongoing scope, we share the narrative of how together we can enhance the lives of seniors.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

- a. Partner organizations identify eligible low-income seniors or an eligible program and apply for a grant through a secure website provided.
- b. Partner organization will provide an attestation that the seniors benefiting from the applied-for grant are considered low-income and that the grant from the SeniorsCan! Program will complete the purchase of the required equipment or social support.
- c. Seniors' personal information remains with the partner organization.
- d. In the case of programming by a partner organization, a description and budget of the product, service or program and a brief case for support outlining how it helps low-income seniors to better engage with their families and communities, and the number of seniors who will be assisted.
- e. HelpAge Canada accepts applications through their website with a closure date of March 31st. Grants are awarded according to funding available, fit and assessed need.

HelpAge Canada reserves the right to limit grants to ensure its national reach with available funds in a given year.

- f. Partner, upon receiving the grant, facilitates the procurement of the equipment, service or program providing HelpAge Canada with the receipt of third-party vendors or service providers.
- g. Partner organization reports back to HelpAge Canada on use of grants, accurately, completely, and in a timely manner. At HelpAge Canada's request, Partner will share participant impact stories, provide impact infographics (photos, videos or other). HelpAge Canada may ask to collect some information on impacts

itself, and Partner's consent to such direct collection of stories shall not be unreasonably withheld.

h. HelpAge Canada will monitor the partnership relationship on an ongoing basis and encourages feedback and open communication.

i. There will be some discretion allowed in allocating grants, taking into account the equipment or services requested, need, availability, support and local context. The goal being to best support low-income seniors.

March 2022 Report to Council

Procurement policy revision

The current policy needs to be revised to allow an additional method of acquiring goods. We have joined a procurement group that works on behalf of Municipalities across Canada which combines the purchasing power of its members to achieve economy of scale pricing. The group known as Canoe Procurement Group obtains transparent pricing for its members by advertising to suppliers for goods as determined by the Municipalities. There are many of our neighboring Municipalities using this process and they tell me it works very well and does meet all procurement policy requirements. We are currently hoping to use this process to obtain our new plow truck. Basically, since we will be a member of this procurement group, I contact them and give them the parameters of what we are wishing to purchase. Since they already have a list of service providers that were obtained through the competitive process for the type of equipment we need, they will put together a unit and forward to us for our approval. Once we agree and issue a PO the truck build can begin.

Legion Grant to Support Fire Department

There is grant available again this through the Thessalon Legion. I would like to apply for the grant to purchase 4 Intrinsically Safe Radios. The department does not currently have any of this type of radio. Intrinsically safe radios prevent combustion in hazardous environments by eliminating the amount of spark or heat they produce. They are designed in a way that prevents materials in the fire fighter's environment from becoming combustible.

The cost estimate of 4 of these radios would be around \$3,000 each. I would like to submit the grant application to purchase 4 of these units. If we don't receive the full amount, we could reduce the number of radios needed to fit the grant allotment.

Northern Rural Net Proposal for Internet and Phone Services

The Town has been approached by Northern Rural Net who is an internet provider to potentially install a 96-foot tower on Town property at 81 Peachey Street.

The purpose of the tower is to enhance internet service to the school and its students. They are constructing this tower on behalf of the Algoma District School Board.

They have constructed these towers in many of our neighbouring communities for the same purpose. They have told us they would provide free internet service to one of our Town locations if allowed to build this tower. They also said that in the future they may be able to sell subscriptions to their internet and phone services to Town residents.

They are pursuing other options as well, one being installing their hardware on the existing 65 foot tower at the Public Works building.

They have also inquired about using the tower located at 237 Federation Street which is owned by the Algoma District Social Services Board. I provided them a contact at ADSB to see if that might be a possibility for them. Having their equipment at that location would be the most desirable due to its close proximity to the school.

Fire Fighter Certification Training

I have been sitting through a series of Zoom meetings as well as meetings with our Advisor from the Ontario Fire Marshalls Office regarding mandatory training for volunteer fire fighters.

As it stands now our fire fighters will have until 2026 to have taken the mandatory training as required by the OFM.

We don't really know where our fire fighters are currently at as far as meeting the requirements but I suspect they are going to have to take both Fire Fighter 1 and Fire Fighter 2 courses which are apparently pretty extensive.

We do have some senior fire fighters that have had some of the training in the past so it is hoped they will not require the full courses to become compliant.

We are planning an information meeting with the Fire Fighters March 16th with the OFM Advisor present and hopefully all of our current firefighters in attendance as well. The objective of the meeting is provided them with the new requirements and try to gauge what the interest of the firefighters is in obtaining the required training since it will be extensive and time consuming.

Once we can get a feel for how the training will be received, I am working closely with our Advisor and he will set up a training program for our department to get started.

I expect the budget for training will need to be fairly significant.

Geese/Ring Billed Gull Damage or danger Permit Application

I applied for the permit to allow us to collect gull eggs and oil Geese eggs last fall. My application was returned as apparently it was submitted too early to be considered for the 2022 season.

I have since reapplied to the Wild Life Ontario section of Environment Canada. I also had to send a request to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to obtain permission to enter onto their properties which are the small islands off the marina.

I have been in communication with the permit office from EC as well to ensure the application is completed and submitted correctly.

Reduced Loads Period

Reduced loads in accordance to by law 2360 within the Town limits (except the former Hwy 17B) were put into effect March 15th and remain in effect until May 15th or until it is determined that it is safe to remove them.

Ken



Northern Rural Net Inc.

Proposal No. NRN-THES-001

Enhanced Internet and Services for
Thessalon Students

Protected - Commercial

This document contains technical, financial and commercial information of a sensitive nature. It is submitted with the understanding it will be used solely for the purposes of evaluating the proposal contained herein, and that there will be no exploitation and no direct or indirect disclosure to third parties of the information contained in or derived from this document without the express written agreement of Weesoe Community Communication Technologies.

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4-124 Hastings Street North, PO Box 850
Bancroft, Ontario K0L 1C0

Executive Summary

In working with the Algoma District School Board, Northern Rural Net is Building new infrastructure, to give students access to high speed internet for online learning. The enhanced internet will provide internet speeds ranging from 10 – 50mbps download and up to 10mbps upload.

Northern Rural Net (“NRN”), a division of Telacor Corporation (“Telacor”), has an extensive background in building wireless ISP’s across Ontario. Since 2002 Telacor has successfully built over 14 new wireless ISP’s, bringing highspeed internet and phone services to approximately 17,200 people who previously had no, or limited access to services.

In order to deliver the proposed service in a timely manner NRN needs to erect 1 96’ Trylon tower at 81 Peachy Street, Thessalon, ON, P0R1L0

1. Introduction

As identified during discussions with Algoma DSB, internet service in its local communities is a priority for many students as online learning has become essential due to the current Covid-19 pandemic. Students are struggling to meet their online learning requirements.

NRN is prepared to bring high speed service to Hilton Beach, by building infrastructure that will provide up to 50mbps download, and 10mbps upload with unlimited usage.

For this project, NRN is building in the following communities, Goulais River, Bruce Mines, Echo Bay, Desbarats and Thessalon. This entire project allows us to bring services to 800+ students.

Section 3; Proposed Implementations, contains descriptions of proposed infrastructure builds, and the proposed implementation.

2. Proposed Implementation

NRN proposes to provide service to residential and business customers in 2 phases.

Phase 1 – We intend to erect 1 wireless tower in the Thessalon community one being at 81 Peachey Street, Thessalon, ON, P0R1L0. We will be installing Ubiquiti Point to Point radio equipment on the towers, to allow line of site internet access. We will then begin installing internet services for the students.

Phase 2 – Our main priority is to get all students connected, however the long-term goal is to utilize the infrastructure we are building to service entire communities. Upon completion of student connectivity, NRN is willing to offer the municipality a free service or an agreed upon monetary value.

3.0 Municipal Support

To support this

- Emergency access to municipal land, and planned entry to the land with 24 hours notice.
- Contact information for emergency access.
- Approval to install the towers.
- Approval to dig and pour a 6x'x6'x6' concrete pad as well as install a self-supporting 96' Tylon titan tower on municipal land located at the above listed location.
- Approval to install a shed (4'x4'x7' in size) beside each tower where required.

In return NRN agrees to:

1. Produce current Working at Heights certificates, WSIB and proof of Insurance at the time of construction.

Install separate hydro meters for the purpose of powering the equipment on the towers.

4.0 Proposed Timelines

It is imperative that we begin the work immediately. We are erecting a total of 29 towers in the communities described. Our deadline for the total network build is the end of August 2021.

5.0 Next Steps

To discuss the next steps for this project, or to answer any questions you may have about this NRN proposal, please contact:

Northern Rural Net Inc.

4-124 Hastings Street North,
PO Box 850,
Bancroft, ON K0L1C0

Direct: (613)202-1890

Attention: Cassidy Carns

Email Addresses: operations@northernrural.net

Please quote NRN-HB-001 on all related correspondence.

APPENDIX II TO BY-LAW 2171

TENDER LOG

The Corporation of the Town of Thessalon

Project Name: Gas Tender

Tender Deadline: Wednesday, March 9, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.

Name of Bidder	Envelope No.	Date Submitted	Time Submitted	Tender Amount
Algoma Ag Centre (UPI)	1	March 7, 2022	9:48 a.m.	\$1.4919 + .1939(HST) =\$1.6858

**TOWN OF THESSALON
OVERTIME RECORD FOR 2021
March 21, 2022**

Inside Staff Employee #	Description of Work	Day	Month	From	To	Hours	Hours Extnd	Bal
008	MAP meeting	15	Feb	5:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	1.00	1.50	1.50
022	Planning meeting	14	Feb	7:00 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	1.75	2.63	2.63
022	Council meeting	22	Feb	6:15 p.m.	8:15 p.m.	2.00	3.00	3.00
008	Fitness Centre registration	1	March	5:00 p.m.	5:15 p.m.	.25	.38	.38
008	MAP meeting	8	March	5:30 p.m.	5:45 p.m.	.25	.38	.38
024	Healthy Aging committee	7	March	12:00 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	.50	.75	.75
022	Planning meeting	7	March	7:00 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	1.75	2.63	2.63
Outside Staff Employee #	Description of Work	Day	Month	From	To	Hours	Hours Extnd	Bal
007	Plow/Sand – Call out	30	Jan	7:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	4.00	6.00	6.00
006	Plow/Sand – Call out	6	Feb	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	3.00	4.50	4.50
009	Plow/Sand – Call out	12	Feb	7:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	1.00	3.00	4.50
016*	Arena	3	Feb	4:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	1.00	1.00	1.00
016*	Fire Meeting	3	Feb	6:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	1.00	1.00	1.00
007	Plow/Sand – Call out	18	Feb	7:00 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	3.00	4.00	6.00
007	Plow/Sand – Call out	19	Feb	5:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	7.00	10.50	10.50

007	Plow/Sand – Call out	19	Feb	1:15 p.m.	2:15 p.m.	1.00	3.00	4.50
007	Plow/Sand – Call out	20	Feb	4:45 p.m.	6:45 p.m.	2.00	4.00	6.00
006	Plow/Sand – Call out	27	Feb	7:15 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	1.50	3.00	4.50
016*	MAP meeting	15	Feb	5:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	1.00	1.00	1.00
016*	Fire Meeting	16	Feb	4:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	1.00	1.00	1.00
016*	Plow	19	Feb	4:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	7.00	7.00	7.00
016*	Council meeting	22	Feb	6:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	1.00	1.00	1.00
007	Plow/Sand	12	March	5:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	1.00	3.00	4.50
006	Plow/Sand – Call out	6	March	7:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	3.50	5.25	5.25
009	Plow/Sand – Call out	5	March	3:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	3.00	4.50	4.50
009	Plow/Sand – Call out	6	March	6:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	4.00	6.00	6.00
016*	Fitness Centre – plumbing	6	March	11:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	1.00	1.00	1.00
016*	MAP meeting	8	March	5:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	.50	.50	.50

*Employee 016 does not incur time and a half only straight time

**Employee 007 did not claim for a second call out worked on March 12th

MaryKaye Karhi

GENERAL BUSINESS

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF THESSALON

BY-LAW NUMBER 2473

BEING A BY-LAW to amend By-law Number 2023 being a by-law to establish a Municipal Economic Development Committee.

WHEREAS Section 11 (1) of The Municipal Act, 2001, c.25, provides that a municipality may pass by-laws respecting matters within the "Economic Development Services" sphere of jurisdiction;

THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Thessalon hereby enacts as follows:

Section 3 of By-law Number 2023 shall be amended as follows:

3. The Town of Thessalon Municipal Economic Development Committee shall consist of ~~a minimum of five members~~ and a maximum of seven members, and be comprised of the Economic Development Councillor, with the remainder being residents or taxpayers of the Town of Thessalon (all to be appointed by the Council of the Town of Thessalon).

By-Law number 2301 is hereby rescinded.

This by-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

PASSED in Open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.

Mayor

Seal

Clerk-Treasurer

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF THESSALON

BY-LAW NUMBER 2474

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize the signing of an agreement and related documents between Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon regarding the use by heavy equipment on the abandoned CPR Spur and the lagoon road to enable access onto Peachey Street.

WHEREAS Section 5, Subsection 3 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001 as amended, requires a municipal council to exercise its power by by-law except where otherwise provided;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable to enter into an agreement with Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon hereby **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized to sign, on behalf of the Town of Thessalon, the agreement and related documents between Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon for the period from April 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.
2. The Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer are further authorized to sign, on behalf of the Town of Thessalon, the agreement and related documents between Smelter Bay Aggregates Incorporated and the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon for future annual agreements covering the period from April 1 to December 31.
3. This by-law shall come into force and take effect upon the immediate passing thereof by Council.

PASSED in open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.

Mayor

Seal

Clerk-Treasurer

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF THESSALON

BY-LAW NUMBER 2475

Being a By-law to amend the User Fees and Service Charges of Schedule "F" of By-law Number 1800.

WHEREAS it is deemed necessary to amend Schedule "F" of By-Law Number 1800;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon hereby **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The user fees and services charges described in Schedule "F" are hereby amended.
2. This by-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

PASSED in Open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.

Mayor

Seal

Clerk-Treasurer

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF THESSALON
USER FEES & SERVICE CHARGES
BY-LAW NUMBER 1800 – SCHEDULE “F”

As amended by By-law 2475

Services Offered	Current Fee	HST	Total
PLANNING			
Consents			
- Processing of Application (per severed lot)	500.00	no	500.00
- Appeal to OMB (subject to change)	125.00	no	125.00
Minor Variance			
- Processing of Application	450.00	no	450.00
Official Plan			
- Processing of Application	750.00	no	750.00
Zoning By-law Amendment			
- Processing of Application	750.00	no	750.00
Trailer Licence			
- One year (For construction of dwelling only)	530.97	yes	600.00
- Per Month (up to 3 months max)	44.25	yes	50.00
-Administration Fee per application	44.25	yes	50.00
*All trailer licence fees are non-refundable			
Deeming By-Law	250.00 - plus all associated costs.	no	250.00 - plus all associated costs.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF THESSALON

BY-LAW NUMBER 2476

BEING A BY-LAW to confirm the proceedings of the regular meeting of Council held on March 21, 2022.

WHEREAS Section 5, Subsection 3 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, requires a municipal council to exercise its power by by-law except where otherwise provided;

AND WHEREAS in many cases, action which is taken or authorized to be taken by a Council or Committee of Council does not lend itself to an individual by-law;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon hereby **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The actions of Council at its regular meeting on March 21, 2022 in respect to each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said special meeting, is, except where prior approval of the Ontario Municipal Board is required, hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.
2. The Mayor and the proper officers of the Town are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required, and to execute all documents as may be necessary and directed to affix the Corporate Seal to all such documents as required.
3. This by-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

PASSED in Open Council this 21st day of March, 2022.

Mayor

Seal

Clerk Treasurer