

**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH STORMONT  
MINUTES**

THE FOURTEENTH MEETING  
February 20, 2019

Council Present	Mayor Bryan McGillis Deputy Mayor David Smith Councillor Andrew Guindon Councillor Jennifer MacIsaac
Council Regrets	Councillor Cindy Woods
Staff Present	Debi LucasSwitzer, Chief Administrative Officer Kevin Amelotte, Director of Parks and Recreation Gilles Crepeau, Fire Chief Hilton Cryderman, Director of Building/CBO Ross Gellately, Director of Public Works Loriann Harbers, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk Cindy Piche, Director of Finance/Treasurer Peter Young, Director of Planning/EDO

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**1. Call Meeting to Order and Opening Remarks**

A regular meeting of Council commenced at 7:00 PM at the South Stormont Town Hall.

a. RO 50th Anniversary Committee Donation Presentation

Members of the Osnabruck District High School/Rothwell-Osnabruck School Reunion Committee, including Paul MacIsaac, Julie Iwachniuk and Bob Thompson were in attendance to present the Township of South Stormont with a \$12,000 donation toward improvements at the Ingleside Park. Councillor MacIsaac, also a Committee Member, received the cheque on behalf of the Township.

**2. The Lord's Prayer**

**3. Confirmation of Agenda**

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. Should a Council member wish an alternative action from the proposed recommendation, the Council member shall request that this matter be moved to the appropriate section at this time.

Members were advised of the following:

1. Deferral of Item 9 b) IT Managed Services;
2. Addition of Item under Closed Session pertaining to litigation or potential litigation; and
3. Addition of two (2) Items under Miscellaneous Business.

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

**5. Adoption of Minutes**

a. January 21, 23 (6:30 PM, 7 PM), February 5, 9 and 13, 2019

Resolution No. 043/2019

Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac

Seconded by: Councillor Guindon

That the minutes of the January 21, 23 (6:30 PM and 7 PM),  
February 5, 9 and 13, 2019 meetings be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

## **6. Delegations**

### **a. Ontario Provincial Police**

Staff Sergeant Khan was in attendance to provide an update on the activities of the OPP in South Stormont. Council was also advised that traffic investigation in the Rosedale Terrace area will continue in coming months before a comprehensive overview is provided.

### **b. Service Line Warranty Program, Elise Dostal**

Elise Dostal was in attendance to provide an overview of the Service Line Warranty Program. Staff will prepare a report with recommendations for Council's consideration at the March 13, 2019 regular meeting.

## **7. Consent Agenda**

Resolution No. 044/2019

Moved by: Councillor Guindon

Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That all items under the Consent Agenda section of the Agenda be approved as recommended.

CARRIED

## **8. Key Information Reports**

### **a. Administration and Corporate Services - 2018 Municipal Elections Summary Report**

### **b. Administration and Corporate Services - Wildlife Damage Compensation Program - Updates**

## **9. Action Requests**

### **a. Heritage Designation – Renovation permit for St. Andrews West Roman Catholic Church**

Resolution No. 045/2019

Moved by: Councillor Guindon

Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That Council grant approval for the alteration of the St. Andrews West Church, as required under Sentence 33. (1), *Ontario Heritage Act*, and furthermore, instruct staff to provide the applicant with the required written notice of consent.

CARRIED

### **b. RFQ No. 19-2018 IT Managed Services**

This item was deferred.

### **c. Request for Exemption from By-law No. 2016-20 (Noise) for a wedding event**

Resolution No. 046/2019

Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

That Council grants an exemption from the provisions of By-law No. 2016-20 to Eric Bouwman on May 24, 2019 from 11 AM to 1 AM for a wedding celebration at 14018 Willbruck Drive.

CARRIED

d. Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund

Resolution No. 047/2019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Guindon

Whereas the Provincial government announced it was conducting a review of the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF), which provides annual funding allotments to municipal governments to help offset operating and capital costs;

And whereas Municipalities were further advised that the overall spending envelope for the program would decrease having a significant impact on future budgets and how funds are raised by Municipalities as funding will be reduced by an unspecified amount;

And whereas if allocations to municipalities are reduced, Councils will need to compensate with property tax increases or local service reductions;

And whereas, the 2018 South Stormont allocation was **\$821,700**, which is equivalent to **14%** of the Township's municipal property tax revenue;

And whereas, a 14% increase in the municipal property tax rate would increase the municipal component of property taxes paid for an average household by **\$129 per year**;

And whereas the Township of South Stormont prides itself on efficient and value for money practices every day;

Now therefore be it resolved that although an interim payment has been received, Council of the Township of South Stormont expresses grave concern with the potential reduction and/or loss of the OMPF allotment in future years;

And further, Council petitions the Provincial government to complete the OMPF review in an expeditious manner as future financial consideration ensures municipal sustainability;

And furthermore, that this resolution be circulated to the Premier, Ministers of Finance, Municipal Affairs and Housing, our local MPP and all Ontario municipalities for their endorsement and support.

CARRIED

e. Selection of 2018 Volunteer of the Year

Resolution No. 048/2019

Moved by: Councillor Guindon

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

That Council accepts the recommendation made by the Volunteer Appreciation Committee for the 2018 South Stormont Volunteer of the Year.

CARRIED

f. Lost Villages Historical Society - Lease Agreement

Resolution No. 049/2019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That Council directs staff to work with members of the Lost Villages Historical Society to negotiate a new lease agreement for the operation of the Lost Villages Museum at Ault Park.

CARRIED

g. Raisin Region Heritage Centre

Resolution No. 050/2019

Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac

Seconded by: Councillor Guindon

That Council directs staff to organize a public consultation session to outline the current condition of the Raisin Region Heritage Centre and to obtain comments and suggestions from members of the public on potential options for the future of the facility. Furthermore, that a secondary inspection of the exterior of the building be completed to ensure the structure does not require any immediate repairs that could compromise the health and safety of those who are approaching the exterior and/or occupying the building.

CARRIED

h. OCIF Top Up Funding, Newington

Resolution No. 051/2019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Guindon

That Council approve Phase 2 of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund top-up project that will include the reconstruction of Ash, Mill and Duval Streets comprising of asphalt removal and reinstatement of a single lift of asphalt, new concrete sidewalk and associated landscaping.

CARRIED

## 6. Delegations

c. Neighbours of Long Sault, Brian McDonald

Due to prior commitments, Mr. McDonald was unable to be in attendance at the suggested delegation time. As such, Council agreed to hear his presentation at this point in the meeting.

Staff are directed to review the proposal(s) and prepare a report for Council's consideration at a forthcoming meeting.

## 10. Committee Reports

Cornwall Township Historical Society

Lost Villages Historical Society

Raisin Region Conservation Authority

South Stormont Sports Hall of Fame

Volunteer Appreciation Committee

**11. By-laws**

- a. By-law No. 2019-011 a by-law to Appoint an Integrity Commissioner

Resolution No. 052/2019  
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith  
Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That By-law No. 2019-011, being a by-law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner be read and passed in Open Council, signed and sealed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

- b. By-law No. 2019-012 a by-law to Designate Reduced Load Periods on Township Highways

Resolution No. 053/2019  
Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac  
Seconded by: Councillor Guindon

That By-law No. 2019-012, being a by-law to designate reduced load periods on Township highways and to repeal By-law No. 19-1999, be read and passed signed and sealed in open Council this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

- c. By-law No. 2019-013 a by-law to Adopt a Cannabis Retail Application Review Policy

Resolution No. .54/2019  
Moved by: Councillor Guindon  
Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That By-law No. 2019-013, being a by-law to adopt a Cannabis Retail Application Review Policy for the Township of South Stormont be read and passed in Open Council, signed and sealed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

- d. By-law No. 2019-014 a by-law to Amend By-law No. 2011-100 (Michels)

Resolution No. 055/2019  
Moved by: Councillor Guindon  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

That By-law No. 2019-014, being a by-law to amend By-law No. 2011-100, be read and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

- e. By-law No. 2019-015 a by-law to Appoint Officers and Fix Remuneration

Resolution No. 056/2019  
Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

That By-law No. 2019-015, being a by-law to appoint officers and to fix remuneration, be read and passed, in open Council signed and sealed this 20th day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

- f. By-law No. 2019-016 a by-law to Adopt a Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation Policy

Resolution No. 057/2019

Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

That By-law No. 2019-016, being a by-law to adopt a Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation Policy for the Township of South Stormont be read and passed in Open Council, signed and sealed this 20th day of February, 2019

- g. By-law No. 2019-017 a by-law to Provide for an Interim Tax Levy

Resolution No. 058/2019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That By-law No. 2019-017, being a by-law to provide for the 2019 interim tax levy, be read and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 20th day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

- h. By-law No. 2019-018 a by-law to Impose Special Annual Drainage Rates (Dew)

Resolution No. 059/2019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That By-law No. 2019-018, being a by-law to impose special annual drainage rates upon land for which money is borrowed under the Tile Drainage Act, be read and passed, signed and sealed in open Council this 20th day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

## **12. Motions and Notices of Motions**

- a. Amendment to Declaration of Office Resolution (Mattice Val Cote)

Resolution No. 060/2019

Moved by: Councillor Guindon

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

Whereas Council of the Township of South Stormont has reviewed and considered the Resolution from the Municipality of Mattice-Val Cote requesting an amendment to paragraph 4 of the Declaration of Office where allegiance to the Queen is prescribed;

And whereas Council agrees that the current oath bearing true allegiance to the Queen may be contrary to an individual's

culture, principals and beliefs, however some may favor this tradition;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council of the Township of South Stormont respectfully requests the Province consider providing options, leaving paragraph 4 as is while adding paragraph 5 stating, "I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to my country, Canada and to the Province of Ontario".

Further that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, our local MPP and the Municipality of Mattice Val Cote and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

CARRIED

**13. Miscellaneous Business**

Members were advised of the following:

1. Request received for Closed Meeting Investigation.
2. Adoption of 2019 Budget anticipated for March 13, 2019 Council meeting. Questions should be directed to Director of Finance/Treasurer.

**14. Unfinished Business Summary**

**15. Ratification By-Law**

- a. 2019-019

Resolution No. 061/2019  
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith  
Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That By-law No. 2019-019 to adopt, confirm and ratify matters dealt with by resolution, be read and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 20th day of February, 2019.

CARRIED

**16. Closed Meeting**

Resolution No. 062/2019  
Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Smith

That Council, as provided in Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* move into a closed meeting at 8:35 PM to address a matter pertaining to litigation or potential litigation; Specifically: Fence Related By-law Infraction.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 064/2019  
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Smith  
Seconded by: Councillor MacIsaac

That Council move out of this closed meeting at 9:06 PM.

CARRIED

**17. Adjournment by Resolution**

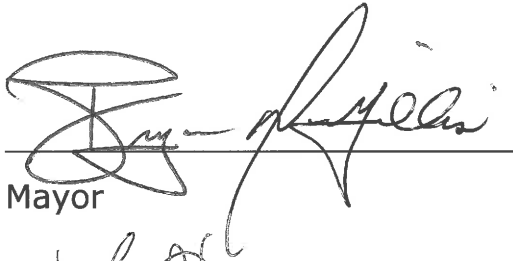
Resolution No. 063/2019

Moved by: Councillor MacIsaac

Seconded by: Councillor Guindon

That Council adjourn this meeting at 9:07 PM and return to the call of the chair.

CARRIED



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Mayor



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Clerk