



**Corporation of the  
Township of Manitouwadge**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, October 28, 2020**  
 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANITOUWADGE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor John MacEachern  
 Councillor David Arola  
 Councillor Kathy Hudson  
 Councillor Jim Moffat  
 Councillor Mike Scapinello – via Teleconference

**ABSENT:** 0

**STAFF:** Owen Cranney, Acting CAO  
 Joleen Keough, Acting Clerk  
 Chris Townes, Acting Treasurer  
 Florence MacLean, Economic Development Officer

**PUBLIC:** 0

**01 CALL TO ORDER**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-245**

Moved by: Councillor Arola

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Regular Meeting commence at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council acknowledges that we are meeting in the Robinson-Superior Treaty area on lands that have been traditionally used by several Indigenous nations, but, we would like to pay special recognition to our closest Indigenous neighbours, the communities of Biigtigong Nishnaabeg and Pic Moberg First Nations.

We wish to recognize the long history of the First Nations and Métis peoples in our region, specifically, and show respect to them today.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**02 ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

- 01 Addition to Closed Session No. 15-01:** Section 239(2)(b): personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
- Staff Matters

**03 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF****04 APPROVAL OF AGENDA****RESOLUTION NO. 2020-246**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** the agenda be approved as amended.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED****05 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS****06 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS****01** Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 14, 2020.**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-247**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Arola

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 14, 2020 are adopted as circulated.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED****07 PETITIONS****08 CORRESPONDENCE****01** Correspondence from Grant Buck, Constituency Assistant, Office of Micheal Mantha, MPP Algoma - Manitoulin, regarding correspondence between Mr. Mantha and the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation regarding Ontario DriveTest Centres, dated October 1, 2020.

- 02** Correspondence from the Township of Oro-Medonte requesting Support to Declare Snowsports, Skiing and Snowboarding, Alpine and Nordic Deemed Essential in Stage 2.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-248**

Moved by: Councillor Arola

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** correspondence item 08-01 and 08-02 be received and filed.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** agenda item 08-01 be returned to Council under Business for the meeting of October 28, 2020.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**09 REPORTS AND COMMITTEES**

- 01** Minutes of Meetings: Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board held September 17, 2020 (regular) and September 17, 2020 (closed).

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-249**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Minutes of Meeting of the Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board held September 17, 2020 (regular) and September 17, 2020 (closed), be accepted as received.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**10 VERBAL UPDATE BY MAYOR**

**11 VERBAL UPDATE BY ACTING CAO**

- 01** Verbal update provided by Acting CAO.

**12 BY-LAWS**

**13 BUSINESS**

- 01** Attendance at the ROMA Annual Virtual Conference being held January 25<sup>th</sup> to January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-250**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Arola

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Annual Conference is scheduled to be held virtually on January 25<sup>th</sup> to January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** the following Council and/or Staff members will attend:

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mayor John MacEachern   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Jim Moffat      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councillor David Arola  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Mike Scapinello |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Kathy Hudson |                          |                            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Other: CAO              |                          |                            |

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

- 02** Administration Report TR2020-13 submitted by Chris Townes, Acting Treasurer regarding Vesting Property into Municipal Ownership after a failed tax sale, dated October 23, 2020.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-251**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council is in receipt of Administration Report TR2020-13 submitted by Chris Townes, Acting Treasurer regarding Vesting Property into Municipal Ownership after a failed tax sale.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** upon conclusion of Council's review and consideration, direct staff as follows:

- 01** Council directs staff to vest the following fifteen (15) properties that failed to sell during the tax sale process;

And further, declare these properties surplus and re-advertise for sale to collect outstanding taxes.

67 Manitou Rd. W.	65 Manitou Rd. W.	55A-55 Manitou Rd. W.	21 Manitou Rd. W.
21 Adjala Ave	17 Adjala Ave	51 Neebig Ave	12 Shingwauk Dr.
24 Mona Dr.	22 Mona Dr.	9 Mona Dr.	12 Mona Dr.
11 Kingfisher Pl.	11 Flicker Ave.	37 Otter Ave.	

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

- 03** Administration Report EDO2020-09 submitted by Florence MacLean, Economic Development Officer regarding the Lakeshore Natural Gas Project, dated October 23, 2020.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-252**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Arola

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council is in receipt of Administration Report EDO2020-09 submitted by Florence MacLean, Economic Development Officer regarding the Lakeshore Natural Gas Project.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** upon conclusion of Council's review and consideration, direct staff as follows:

- 01** Council directs staff to write to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, to advocate for this government's support for the funding application made by Lakeshore Natural Gas to the Natural Gas Expansion Program; and further,

That Council supports Mayor MacEachern to write Letters to the Editor of both the Chronicle Journal (Thunder Bay) and The Sault Star (Sault Ste. Marie) newspapers publicly advocating for this government's support in the application from Lakeshore Natural Gas to the Natural Gas Expansion Program; and further,

That Council directs staff to set up a virtual meeting with MPP Michael Mantha to advocate in Queen's Park, on behalf of the residents and businesses of Manitouwadge, for the approval of the application from Lakeshore Natural Gas to the Natural Gas Expansion Program; and further,

That Council directs staff to set up a virtual meeting with the Honourable Greg Rickford, Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines to discuss, and advocate for the approval of, the application from Lakeshore Natural Gas to the Natural Gas Expansion Program.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**14 MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**15 CLOSED SESSIONS**

- 01** Section 239(2)(b): personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
  - Staff Matters

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-253**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**WHEREAS** Section 239(4) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides that before holding a meeting or part of a meeting that is to be closed to the public, a municipality or local board or committee of either of them, shall state by resolution the fact of holding of the closed meeting and the general nature of the matter to be considered at the closed meeting;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** this meeting is hereby closed to the public as the subject matter being discussed falls under the following section:

- 01** Section 239(2)(b): personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
  - Staff Matters

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-254**

Moved by: Councillor Arola

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** the meeting is hereby declared to be open to the public at 7:47 p.m.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**16 BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-255**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Arola

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council, after discussion, instructs the individuals identified in closed session to direct all communications and requests through the Mayor.

**AND FURTHER:** that in the absence of the Mayor, the Acting Mayor position will default to the next person on the schedule.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor David Arola	√	
Councillor Kathy Hudson	√	
Councillor Jim Moffat	√	
Councillor Mike Scapinello	√	
Mayor John MacEachern	√	

**CARRIED**

**17 ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-256**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Regular Meeting adjourn at the hour of 7:48 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Original Signed By:

John MacEachern  
Mayor John MacEachern

Joleen Keough  
Joleen Keough, Acting Clerk