



**Corporation of the  
Township of Manitouwadge**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
Wednesday, November 11, 2020  
7:00 PM in the Council Chambers

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

**PRESENT:** Mayor John MacEachern  
Councillor Kathy Hudson  
Councillor Jim Moffat

**ABSENT:** Councillor David Arola  
Councillor Mike Scapinello

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

**PUBLIC:** Tabitha LeBlanc, Manager of Sustainability, GenerationPGM Inc. – Zoom  
Jamie Levy, CEO, GenerationPGM Inc. – Zoom  
Drew Anwyll, COO, GenerationPGM Inc. – Zoom  
Chanelle Boucher, Sustainability Coordinator, GenerationPGM Inc. - Zoom

**01 CALL TO ORDER**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-257**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

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 Mobert 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.

**CARRIED**

**02 ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

**03 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE  
THEREOF**

**04 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-258**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

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

**CARRIED**

**05 DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- 01 Presentation by Generation PGM Inc. regarding the Marathon Palladium Project.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-259**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** the presentation provided by Generation PGM Inc. regarding the Marathon Palladium Project, be accepted as received.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council thanks the Generation PGM Inc. representatives for attending and providing the update to Council.

**CARRIED**

**06 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- 01 Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 28, 2020.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-260**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 28, 2020 are adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**07 PETITIONS**

**08 CORRESPONDENCE**

**09 REPORTS AND COMMITTEES**

- 01 Minutes of Meetings: Thunder Bay District Board of Health held September 16, 2020 (regular).

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-261**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Minutes of Meeting of the Thunder Bay District Board of Health held September 16, 2020 (regular), be accepted as received.

**CARRIED**

- 02 Minutes of Meetings: Manitowadge Public Library Board held September 14, 2020.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-262**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Minutes of Meeting of the Manitowadge Public Library Board held September 14, 2020, be accepted as received.

**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** Delegation requests for the ROMA Annual Virtual Conference.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-263**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council requests delegations with the following Minister(s) at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Annual Conference.

- Minister of Transportation regarding DriveTest Centres.

**CARRIED**

- 02** Council resolution regarding reliable access to Ontario DriveTest Centres.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-264**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council is in receipt of correspondence dated October 1, 2020 from the Office of Michael Mantha, MPP Algoma – Manitoulin regarding concerns raised with the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, about the lack of year-round, reliable access to Ontario DriveTest Centres in Northern Ontario;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council supports the comments from MPP Michael Mantha, and strongly agrees that constituents in Northern Ontario are not receiving the same services from Ontario DriveTest Centres compared to Ontarians in other regions and that service standards are subpar;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council expresses concern with Minister Mulroney's response to MPP Michael Mantha's letter regarding Ontario DriveTest Centres not providing clinics during winter months in our geographical region, due to the nature of winter conditions, despite the fact that Northern Ontarians drive the same wintery roads that the MTO is supposed to keep safe and clear;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council requests support and advocacy from the North East Superior Mayors Group (NESMG), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) and Michael Mantha, MPP Algoma – Manitoulin, in addressing the unsatisfactory service standards being provided by DriveTest Centres in Northern Ontario;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** a copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

- Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario;
- Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation;
- Michael Mantha, MPP Algoma – Manitoulin;
- North East Superior Mayors Group (NESMG); and
- Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA).

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council requests a delegation at ROMA with the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation to discuss a reasonable solution for improved year-round access for residents to Drive Test services in Manitouwadge.

**CARRIED**

- 03** Administration Report EDO2020-10 submitted by Florence MacLean, Economic Development Officer regarding the Regional Workforce and Resident Attraction Project, dated November 11, 2020.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-265**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council is in receipt of Administration Report EDO2020-10 submitted by Florence MacLean, Economic Development Officer regarding the Regional Workforce and Resident Attraction Project.

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

- 01** Council authorizes a financial commitment in the amount of \$3,750.00 towards the regional application to the Rural Economic Development Program, with the Superior East Community Futures Development Corporation as the lead applicant, to undertake a regional marketing campaign focused on workforce and resident attraction.

**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.
- Community Revitalization Advisory Committee Member Appointment.
- 02** Section 239(2)(c): a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.
- 24 Redwing Ave.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-266**

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.
- Community Revitalization Advisory Committee Member Appointment.
- 02** Section 239(2)(c): a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.
- 24 Redwing Ave.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-267**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** the meeting is hereby declared to be open to the public at 7:52 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**16 BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-268**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council rescinds Kevin Turner's appointment from the Community Revitalization Advisory Committee;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council thanks Mr. Turner for his time on the Committee.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-269**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council appoints Karen Robinson to the Community Revitalization Advisory Committee (CRAC) as the Manitowadge Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) representative.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-270**

Moved by: Councillor Moffat

Seconded by: Councillor Hudson

**RESOLVED THAT:** Council approves the offer on 24 Redwing Ave on condition that the property is consolidated.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** Council directs staff to proceed with preparing and executing the documents for the sale of 24 Redwing Ave.

**CARRIED**

**17 ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-271**

Moved by: Councillor Hudson

Seconded by: Councillor Moffat

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Regular Meeting adjourn at the hour of 7:53 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Original Signed By:

John MacEachern  
Mayor John MacEachern

Joleen Keough  
Joleen Keough, Acting Clerk