

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MORLEY

September 12th, 2022

A regular meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley was held on Monday, September 12th, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers with Reeve Heyens and Councillors Jolicouer, Armstrong, Vandenbrand and McCormick in attendance. Teresa Desserre Clerk-Treasurer and Public Works Bruce Nielson were also in attendance.

The Meeting was called to order by Reeve Heyens at 7:30 p.m.

There was no conflict of Interest with any of the agenda items declared at this time.

1.) TONY ARMSTRONG/ANDREW MCCORMICK:

That the agenda of the regular meeting held Monday, September 12th, 2022, be approved as amended.

“ Carried “

DELEGATION:

There were no delegations.

MINUTES:

2.) ANDREW MCCORMICK/GARY JOLICOUER:

That the minutes of the regular meeting held Monday, August 08th, 2022 be approved as distributed.

“Carried “

3.) MARIA VANDENBRAND/TONY ARMSTRONG:

That the General Accounts of The Corporation of the Township of Morley, Vouchers #8-1, cheques #16698 to #16722, and payroll cheques #3357 to #3364, all inclusive, amounting to \$50,481.80 be authorized for payment.

“ Carried “

4.) ANDREW MCCORMICK/GARY JOLICOUER:

That the Road Accounts of The Corporation of the Township of Morley, Voucher #8, and payroll cheques #3365, all inclusive, amounting to \$18,630.44 be authorized for payment.

“ Carried ”

5.) GARY JOLICOUER/TONY ARMSTRONG:

That the Stratton Recreation Accounts, Voucher #8, all inclusive, amounting to \$4,646.28 be authorized for payment.

" Carried "

6.) MARIA VANDENBRAND/ANDREW MCCORMICK:

That the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley accept the treasurer's report for the month of August, 2022.

" Carried "

PUBLIC WORKS:

7.) TONY ARMSTRONG/GARY JOLICOUER:

That the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley authorize the following payment for the 2022 Roadside Brushing Tender

C. Sharp Construction: \$ 23,897.80

" Carried "

8.) ANDREW MCCORMICK/TONY ARMSTRONG:

That the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley authorize the following payment for the work done at the Stratton and North Branch Cemeteries:

T.J. Advent Contracting: \$ 3,957.64
(Cement and Delivery)

" Carried "

9.) MARIA VANDENBRAND/ANDREW MCCORMICK:

That the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley authorize the following donation:

Stratton Recreation Society: \$100.00
(7th Annual Pi-Run)

" Carried "

10.) TONY ARMSTRONG/GARY JOLICOUER:

That the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley authorize the following payments:

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| (a) MINISTER OF FINANCE:
(Policing Levy – July 2022) | \$ 5,990.00 |
| (b) RAINY RIVER DISTRICT SOCIAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION BOARD:
(September 2022 levy) | \$13,244.33 |
| (c) RAINY RIVER DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD:
(4 th Quarter Payment) | \$21,368.51 |
| (d) NORTHWESTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD:
(4 th Quarter Payment) | \$ 3,395.68 |

" Carried "

11.) MARIA VANDENBRAND/ANDREW MCCORMICK:

That the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley authorize Clerk-Treasurer Desserre to attend the AMCTO Zone 9 Fall Meeting and Conference to be held in Thunder Bay, Ontario Tuesday, September 27th, 2022 and Wednesday, September 28th, 2022.

" Carried "

12.) ANDREW MCCORMICK/TONY ARMSTRONG:

That By-Law No. 1524, being a by-law to provide for advance votes to be held prior to voting day, be read a first, second and third time in open council and finally passed this 12th day of September, 2022.

" Carried "

13.) GARY JOLICOUER/ANDREW MCCORMICK:

That By-Law No. 1525, being a by-law to appoint a Joint Compliance Audit Committee, be read a first, second and third time in open council and finally passed this 10th day of September, 2022.

“ Carried “

14.) ANDREW MCCORMICK/MARIA VANDENBRAND:

Whereas the Constitution of Canada requires that federal electoral districts be reviewed every ten years; and,

Whereas the 2022 Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for the Province of Ontario was established as an independent commission to reconfigure the boundaries of Ontario’s electoral districts; and,

Whereas the Commission has proposed a new electoral map for consideration at public hearings commencing in September 2022; and,

Whereas the proposals of the Commission would reduce the number of federal electoral districts in Northern Ontario from ten to nine; and,

Whereas the proposal would see the two largest ridings in the far north, Kenora and Timmins-James Bay, amended and combined into one massive riding called Kiiwetinoong-Mushkegowuk, spanning from the Manitoba Border to Quebec, and Kenora’s current riding boundary readjusted dramatically and combined with Thunder Bay-Rainy River, with further significant changes to the Thunder Bay –Superior North and Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing boundaries; and,

Whereas the legislation would in fact support, according to the population quota to be applied by the Commission, a reduction of two, but the commission has recommended one; and

Whereas the Kenora district was deemed an “extraordinary circumstance” in 2012 during the last boundary review, and because of which it was not revised at that time; and,

Whereas the boundary proposal, if approved, would reduce the overall number of Northern Federal representatives in the House of Commons, further diluting the voice of Northern Ontario residents on federal matters, and in the Commission’s own words, would “imperil the principle of effective representation”; and,

Whereas the voice of the North in the House of Commons is already imperiled and underrepresented by so few seats;

Now, Therefore be it resolved that the Township of Morley strongly opposes the proposed reduction of Northern ridings and representatives.

Further that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Eric Melillo, MP Kenora Riding, the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario, the Kenora District Municipal Association, the Rainy River District Municipal Association and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association.

“ Carried “

15.) TONY ARMSTRONG/GARY JOLICOUER:

That the regular meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Morley held Monday, September 12th, 2022 be adjourned. The next regular meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

“ Carried”

REEVE/CHAIRPERSON

CLERK-TREASURER