



THE VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The regular meeting of The Burk's Falls Council was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at the Municipal Office at 6:00 pm. The regular Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

Present: Reeve Cathy Still, Councillors, Lewis Hodgson, Jarvis Osborne, Lisa Morrison, Rex Smith; Staff: Nicky Kunkel, Clerk

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

Pecuniary Interest declared by: None declared

**MINUTES**

Resolution 2020-14 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls approves the minutes of the Council meeting of January 21, 2020 as circulated. Carried.

**DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL:**

1. Staff Sgt Dominic Lalonde, Almaguin Detachment Commander introduced himself and updated Council on the 2017/19 OPP Plan and that he will soon be working on the 2020/22 Plan for the Detachment. He explained crime trends in Burk's Falls and informed Council that a Police Services Board will be established for Almaguin in the next year or so. He informed Council of his goals for the coming year and explained about recent hires. Council received the information with thanks and welcomed Staff Sgt Lalonde to Almaguin.
2. Bruce Campbell, update Council as the Eastholme Board of Directors Representative.

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL:**

1. The Arena Report and 2020 Budget was presented to Council along with the budget impacts for the ICIP Arena Addition funding. Council accepted the budget with the amendment to include costs to install four baby change tables in the washrooms.
2. The AHHC Report was received and discussed by Council. Three recommendations were approved by resolution as listed below.
3. The Regional Fire proposal of the Burk's Falls committee was presented to Council and Council agreed to move forward with a Fire Master Plan to guide the next steps with the municipalities who do want to move forward. There was discussion on the Option B submitted by Armour Township as well. It was commented with modifications it may work. Council left it with the Mayor to communicate at the next Regional Fire meeting.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

1. Council discussed the donation for the Fall Fair and they are willing to continue the 50% contribution with the Township of Armour for the children's inflatables. They will pass a resolution closer to the event when costs are better known.
2. Mayor Still presented the draft policy related to Council's Annual Medical Allowance. Council had discussions and the policy will be brought back for the March meeting without amendment for final approval.
3. Council reviewed and received the Almaguin Community Economic Development Annual Report. Councillor Hodgins updated Council on the Committee's progress and general plan for 2020.
4. Councillor Hodgins presented the Downtown Development Team's minutes and informed Council on the proposal to add a kitchen to the KCU Market project as well as communicated that the 2020 project for the Team will be the expansion and enhancement of the River Walk Trail.
5. Council received the minutes of the Almaguin Recycling Initiative and noted that HazMat fees for 2020 will be \$5.00 per household.
6. Council received the report detailing the refund to the Ministry of Sport and Tourism for the Recreation funding as the "get on your feet" project was delayed by 2.5 months due to funding announcements and the Tradeshow not occurring in 2019. This will be completed by March 20, 2020.
7. Council received the resolution on single use wipes and passed a resolution of support.
8. Council reviewed and debated the opportunity to have Taw Connors perform his dad's tribute show in Burk's Falls. They suggested reaching out to the Legion for partnership but that the potential for return on investment would not be positive so declined to move forward.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

2020- 15 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Rex Smith

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby accepts the 2020 Arena Budget as presented, with the inclusion of four baby changing stations for an addition of \$1,900 to the budget under building maintenance. Carried.



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2020-16 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne  
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby receives and approves the report from the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Manager; and

Further that Council hereby instructs staff to send letters requesting ongoing financial support from the 11 municipalities associated with the Health Centre until the facility no longer provides health services to the residents of Almaguin. Carried

2020-17 Moved by Jarvis Osborne – Seconded by Lisa Morrison  
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby receives and approves the report from the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Manager; and

Further that Council hereby instructs staff to send letters to the Burk's Falls and Area Family Health Team catchment municipalities a one time contribution of \$1,600.000 per municipality to provide physician recruitment and retention incentives. Carried.

2020-18 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne  
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby receives and approves the report from the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Manager; and

Further that Council hereby requests the AHHC Committee investigate the cost associated with a renovation to provide adequate clinical space for the Ontario Telemedicine Network by joining the existing office space with the adjacent office space; and

Further that the AHHC Committee understand that this request is not a commitment to proceed with the project nor will the Village of Burk's Falls incur any expenses related to the investigation. Carried.

2020-19 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by Rex Smith  
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby supports the County of Prince Edward resolution no. 2020-057 to lobby the Federal Government to review the regulation related to consumer packaging on single-use wipes. Carried Recorded vote requested by: Councillor Hodgson. Yays: Mayor Still, Councilor Osborne, Councilor Hodgson, Councilor Morrison, Councilor Smith.

2020-20 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Lisa Morrison  
That By-law No. 5-2020 being a By-law to set and authorize service fees at the Armour Ryerson Burk's Falls Memorial Arena and Community Centre be read a first, second and third time and passed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020. Carried

2020-21 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne  
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby supports the Township of Strong Resolution no. 2020-050 regarding the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit and the impacts from provincial funding changes. Carried

2020-22 Moved by Rex Smith – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne  
That the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$ 261,939.33 as presented up to and including February 18, 2020 hereby be approved for payment. Carried.

2020-23 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Lisa Morrison  
Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby approves the following municipal officials to attend the following municipal meetings:

1. Frank Cowan Session on Arena Refrigeration Plants: Nicky Kunkel
2. MNRF Magnetawan River Watershed: Mayor Still, Derek Smith, Greg Rutledge - CEMC
3. OPP Round Table, Nicky Kunkel, Mayor Still
4. Lakeland Shareholder Meeting; Mayor Still, Allan Holder
5. FONOM; No attendance

Carried.



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**Councillor's Report**

Councillor Smith attended meetings the JBC and discussed the items from their minutes and resolution. He will also attend the Planning Board meeting this month.

Councillor Morrison attended the several community organization meetings including the Historical Society.

Councillor Osborne attended meetings for Winterfest, Library and will attend the Historical Society meeting this month as well.

Councillor Hodgson attended the Downtown Development Team meeting and informed Council they are working on the priorities for 2020. They will continue to promote the CIP Program and the expansion of the Heritage Riverwalk Trail signage and historical building signage to expand the walking experience. They also discussed the KCU Market and noted that the anchor tenant is necessary for the funding applications. The Committee discussed potential business types and will reach out to contacts to determine interest.

Mayor Still attended the Family Health Team meeting and reported the Executive Director is retiring. She attended the Regional Fire meeting and indicated that each Council is to bring back ideas for the March meeting on how they see a regional department moving forward. She attended the AHHC meeting and informed Council that the Committee will move forward on implementing the necessary steps to obtain the Almaguin OHT. She met with the doctors to discuss Council resolution on creating a nurse practitioner clinic in the AHHC and Dr. succession planning. There is support and staff will continue to move forward on this file. She also attended an event and had dinner with Premier Ford and MPP Millar where she communicated the need for further health care services in Almaguin.

2020-24 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by Rex Smith  
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby adjourns at 20:17 to meet again on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Carried.

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Cathy Still, Mayor

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Nicky Kunkel, Clerk