



THE VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 23, 2019

The regular meeting of The Burk's Falls Council was held on Tuesday, July 23rd, 2019 at the Municipal Office at 6:00 pm.

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

The regular Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Items added to the agenda include delegation of Kamy Asfhari, General Government report items and the medical center roof tender.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

MINUTES

Resolution 2019-94 Moved by Lewis Osborne – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls approves the minutes of the Council meeting of June 25th, 2019 and July 16th, 2019 as circulated. Carried.

DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL:

1. Kamy Asfhari of Arnica Construction attended the meeting with approval from the Mayor to discuss ownership and operations of the Almaguin Manor. Mr. Asfhari informed Council he would be willing to purchase the Manor and/or operate the complex with 99% control and make annual payments to the Village. He explained his experience and resume indicating a vast history of managing rental complexes. Council discussed the opportunity and confirmed that they would rather stay the course they are on and keep ownership as well as the existing Boards to manage the building.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

1. The monthly Fire Department report was received by Council along with the year to date for the budget.
2. The Arena Manager Report was reviewed, and the repair discussed. Council passed a resolution to approve the repair and also indicated they want to ensure there is an asset maintenance plan for the facility to manage all assets. The gear was only to last 8-10 years and lasted 12 with no plan for replacement. They would like to be more proactive.
3. The General Government Report was received and accepted. New items were regarding a potential movie being shot in Burk's Falls, with the town in the movie being called Burk's Falls. The Agricultural Society was granted permission to put up their Fall Fair Banner in the parking lot. Council was informed the streetscaping planters have arrived and one day next week there will be a workday to plant them. There was an update, that there is no new information regarding the utility expansion project with FedNor. Staff was reminded to provide numbers for consumption for new housing developments as well. Council discussed the Fell Homes request the road allowance at the corner of Elm St/Mary St. be closed up with a consensus that the roadway is still needed. Council may consider closing up the allowance and the existing end of Mary Street to the west.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Council received the letter from CGV Builders regarding the generator. There are mixed concerns on whether the service the existing one will provide will be adequate. Staff was instructed to contact Val's Equipment to determine the feasibility of installing another one based on the assumed load requirements to run the building.
2. Council passed a resolution below supporting the National Healthy School Food Program.
3. Council receive the letter from the NBPS Health Unit explaining to the province their existing partnerships and collaboration with area health units that have achieved efficiencies.
4. Council received the letter from the Ministry of Transportation indicating the Village was not successful in this round of the Connecting Link Funding Program. Council will apply for the same project in the next round. The Clerk also discussed a letter received from MTO indicating that any work/maintenance to be completed on the Ryerson Crescent sidewalks puts the Village in a liable situation unless we enter into an agreement with MTO. The complaints and inquiries from residents along the road have increased and they would like better sidewalks. It discussed to add sidewalks to the connecting link application, but the final decision was not to and leave things as they are and that the Ministry is completely responsible for the maintenance and capital repair.



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5. Council received the letter from the Ministry of Tourism, Sport and Culture regarding the interlibrary loan program commitment.
6. Council received the letter from Mr. and Mrs. Wilson regarding the Kwik Way parking lot/sidewalk repair. They communicated that the invoice is not paid until it is rectified. Council thanked them for submitting the letter.
7. Council passed a resolution below to change the August Council meeting to the 20th as there is no quorum the following week.

RESOLUTIONS:

2019- 95 Moved by Lisa Morrison - Seconded by Rex Smith

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby supports the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit campaign for a National Healthy School Food Program. Carried.

2019-96 Moved by Lewis Hodgson - Seconded by Jarvis Osborne

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby accepts the Arena Manager's Report and approves the repair cost of \$4,548.88 for the generator. Carried

2019-97 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby agrees to move the August Council meeting to Tuesday August 20th, 2019. Carried.

2019-98 Moved by Rex Smith – Seconded by Lewis Hodgson

That the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$ 194,146.49 as presented up to and including July 23, 2019 hereby be approved for payment. Carried.

2019-99 Moved by Rex Smith – Seconded by Lisa Morrison

That By-law No. 13-2019 being a By-law to close and sell a portion of Burk Street road allowance be read a first, second and third time and passed this 23rd, day of July 2019. Carried.

2019-100 Moved by Rex Smith – Seconded by Lisa Morrison

That By-law No. 14-2019 being a By-law to transfer a portion of land to the Corporation of the Township of Armour be read a first, second and third time and passed this 23rd, day of July 2019. Carried

2019-101 Moved by Jarvis Osborne – Seconded by Lisa Morrison

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby approves and adopts the revised 2019 BFAR District Union Library Budget with total net expenses of \$131,040 with the Village's share being \$54,761.61 (+2,345.61). Carried.

2019-102 Moved by Lisa Morrison– Seconded by Rex Smith

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby receives the tender submission for the Burk's Falls Medical Building:

Bidder	Amount
1. Irwin Russell Construction	\$ 16,780.50 (hst included)
2. Next Level Builders	\$ 18,282.71 (hst included)

And further that Council accepts the submission from Irwin Russell Construction.
Carried

Councillor's Report

All of Council attended the Canada Day Celebrations.

Councillor Morrison attended meetings for the Arena Repurposing Committee and the Heritage Day. She also communicated that the community bus is broke again, the front door, the AC and the lift. Council indicated they would all look for donations and start the search for a new one. Also, she recommends we spend more on fireworks for Canada Day.

Councillor Smith attended the meetings for the Almaguin Manor, Planning Board and HazMat Day.

Councillor Osborne attended meetings for the Historical Society and attended Heritage Day (as well as did set up), he also attended the building tours for possible municipal office space.



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Councillor Hodgson attended meetings for the Downtown Development Team and discussed the first application for the Façade Improvement Fund. He attended the ACED meeting and informed Council that Blue Sky is working on a research project to determine actual broadband availability. This will be useful in determining gaps in service for the area and applying for future funding to reduce the gaps. He discussed with Council the possible locations for a barrier free, universal washroom for the theatre/office.

Mayor Still attended the MAHC task force meeting and the Heritage Days. She updated Council that the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Board is reviewing a terms of reference and have indicated they want to work on a regional focus now and not just our building/services. Health Care has become a big topic in the area and working together may provide a larger solution. She also informed Council that the OTN Nurse left again and there has been a problem finding a nurse that only wants to work 19 hours a week to fulfil the role.

2019-103 Moved by Lewis Hodgson– Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby adjourns at 19:40 to meet again on August 20th, 2019. Carried

Cathy Still
Mayor

Nicky Kunkel
Clerk