

Regular Meeting of the Village of Sundridge Council

**Wednesday, December 13, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.
Village of Sundridge Council Chambers**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Lyle Hall, Councillors Russell Becker, Jason Newman, and Don Richardson (arrived at 6:13 p.m.)

REGRETS: Deputy Mayor Ryan Jeffers

STAFF PRESENT: Karen Fraser, Clerk Administrator; Grant Love, Fire Chief; Estelle Moynes, Treasurer/Tax Collector

1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #2017-301

Moved By: Russell Becker

Seconded By: Jason Newman

That the agenda for Wednesday, December 13, 2017 be approved as amended to add Item 9.6, Shareholder Designation – Lakeland Holding Ltd.

Carried.

3) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Jason Newman declared a pecuniary interest with Item 6(E.8) due to his relationship with the Sundridge-Strong Fire Department. He did not participate in discussion or vote on the matter.

4) PRESENTATIONS

None.

5) DELEGATIONS

A) Public & Consultants

None.

B) Staff

Emergency Plan Review – Grant Love, Fire Chief/CEMC

Resolution #2017-302

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That the Delegation by Grant Love, Fire Chief/CEMC re Emergency Plan Review, be received, with thanks.

Carried.

6) CONSENT ITEMS

[Items from the Consent List may be moved by members to be debated/discussed in Committee of the Whole]

A) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES

(A.1) Regular Council Meeting –November 22, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.01

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting dated November 22, 2017, be adopted as printed.

(A.2) Closed Council Meeting –November 22, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.02

That the minutes of the Closed Council meeting dated November 22, 2017, be adopted as printed.

B) COMMITTEE & BOARD MINUTES

(B.1) Central Almaguin Planning Board – November 15, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.03

That the minutes of the Central Almaguin Planning Board meeting dated November 15, 2017, be received.

- (B.2) Central Almaguin Economic Development Association – November 20, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.04

That the minutes of the Central Almaguin Planning Board meeting dated November 20, 2017, be received.

- (B.3) Sundridge-Strong Union Public Library Board – November 16, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.05

That the minutes of the Sundridge-Strong Public Library Board meeting dated November 16, 2017, be received.

- (B.4) Sundridge, Strong, Joly Arena & Hall – December 6, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.06

That the minutes of the Sundridge, Strong, Joly Arena & Hall meeting dated December 6, 2017, be received.

- (B.5) Sundridge/Strong Bi Council Meeting – November 23, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.07

That the minutes of the Sundridge/Strong, Bi Council meeting dated November 23, 2017, be received.

C) STAFF REPORTS

- (C.1) S2017-027 - 2018 Council Meeting Dates

Resolution #2017-303.08

That Council approves the 2018 Council meeting schedule, as attached to Staff Report S2017-027, dated December 13, 2017, requiring only one monthly meeting during the months of July, August, October, and December and adjusting the November meeting dates; and

That exception to the applicable sections of Procedural By-law No. 2014-061 be granted to provide for the amended schedule.

- (C.2) S2017-028 – 2018 Election – Voting Method and Restricted Acts of Council

Resolution #2017-303.09

That Council receives the information contained in Staff Report S2017-02, dated December 13, 2017 re 2018 Election – Voting Method and Restricted Acts of Council, as information.

(C.3) S2017-029 – Amended Tax Rate By-law

Resolution #2017-303.10

That Council approves By-law No. 2017-042, being a By-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2017, and to rescind By-law 2017-032.

D) BY-LAWS

None.

E) CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Staff

(E.1) Follow Up List – December 13, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.11

That the *Staff Follow Up and Report to Council 2017* list, for the December 13, 2017 Council Meeting be received.

(E.2) Memo – AMCTO MLP Unit #3

Resolution #2017-303.12

That the correspondence from the Deputy Clerk to the Clerk Administrator dated December 13, 2017, be received, and that enrolment into Unit #3 of the AMCTO Municipal Administration Program (Municipal Law), commencing in January, 2018, be approved at a cost of \$350.00 plus HST; and

That these costs be covered by the municipality with the stipulation that the full cost will be recovered from the applicant if a passing grade is not achieved or if the applicant fails to remain in the employ of the municipality for three (3) years following completion of the course.

(E.3) Memo – Animal Control Shelter Agreement

Resolution #2017-303.13

That the memo from the Deputy Clerk dated December 13, 2017, re shelter services, be received; and

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement in the form attached to the memo.

Inter-Governmental Correspondence

- (E.4) Joint Building Committee Annual Permit Summary – November 20, 2017

Resolution #2017-303.14

That the correspondence from the Joint Building Committee re Annual Permit Summary for period ending November 30, 2017, be received.

- (E.5) Ministry of Finance – Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund

Resolution #2017-303.15

That the correspondence from the Ministry of Finance, dated November 20, 2017, regarding the release of the OMPF municipal allocations for 2018, be received.

- (E.6) Minister of Infrastructure – A message from the Minister of Infrastructure

Resolution #2017-303.16

That the correspondence from the Minister of Infrastructure, dated November 28, 2017, regarding the release of *Building Better Lives: Ontario's Long-Term Infrastructure Plan 2017*, be received.

- (E.7) Township of Strong – Speed Concerns on Albert Street

Resolution #2017-303.17

That the correspondence from the Township of Strong, dated November 17, 2017, regarding speed concerns on Albert Street, be received.

Board and Agency Correspondence

- (E.8) Sundridge Strong Fire Management Board – Revised Joint Management Agreement

[Please refer to Item 9.3 for additional information relating to this matter]

Resolution #2017-303.18

That the correspondence from the Sundridge Strong Fire Management Board regarding the newly revised agreement be received.

- (E.9) Town of Parry Sound POA - 2017 Q3 Distribution

Resolution #2017-303.19

That the correspondence from the Town of Parry Sound dated November 17, 2017, regarding the Q3 Distribution be received.

(E.10) MPAC – Budget and Municipal Levy for 2018

Resolution #2017-303.20

That the correspondence from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), dated December 5, 2017, regarding Budget and Municipal Levy for 2018, be received.

Other Correspondence

(E.11) Ontario Forestry Coalition – Asks Government to Support Sector

Resolution #2017-303.21

That the correspondence from the Ontario Forestry Coalition, dated November 20th, 2017, regarding the Forestry Coalition asking the Government to Support the Sector, be received.

(E.12) Municipal Policing Bureau – Updates from the Municipal Policing Bureau

Resolution #2017-303.22

That the correspondence from the Municipal Policing Bureau, dated November 14, 2017, regarding updates from the Municipal Policing Bureau, be received.

(E.13) Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) – Media Release - OMPF

Resolution #2017-303.23

That the correspondence from FONOM dated November 21, 2017, regarding the Ontario Government increases financial support to communities through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund, be received.

(E.14) Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) – Fall Newsletter 2017

Resolution #2017-303.24

That the correspondence from FONOM regarding the Fall Newsletter 2017, be received.

Resolutions of Support

(E.15) The Municipality of West Nipissing – Health Units distinct from Acute Care Health Services and LHINs

Resolution #2017-303.25

WHEREAS, the Council for the Village of Sundridge has significant concerns regarding the recommendations of the Expert Panel to integrate a population health approach into local planning and service delivery; and

WHEREAS, there is an apparent lack of empirical evidence base upon which the recommendations are founded; and

WHEREAS, the current mandate of public health to prevent disease, protect, and promote health should remain unchanged; and

WHEREAS, public health must remain distinct from acute care health services and Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) in terms of role, funding, governance, and accountability in order for public health to focus on a more upstream approach, the causes of poor health or the social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, the important linkages with local communities for programming, understanding local needs, and leveraging these partnerships will be undermined; and

WHEREAS, regionalization of public health units with centralized decision-making will have significant negative consequences for local public health and municipalities:

- Less municipal representation (400 Board of Health members reduced to approximately 180) and loss of local voice in governing and directing public health programs and services to understand and meet the needs of our communities;
- Substantial delays in responding to local program and service needs especially during emergencies;
- Adding another layer of bureaucracy resulting in increased costs and inefficiencies;
- Governance structure will not be flexible enough to meet/adjust/respond to local needs and negatively impact vulnerable priority populations;
- Potential loss of important local services fundamental to day-to-day public health unit operations and efficiencies (i.e., corporate services, finance, planning and evaluation, communications, information technology, etc.);
- Key positions (chair, vice-chair, finance, etc.) on regional boards of health should not be appointed Orders in Council to avoid political influence/interference; and

WHEREAS, the current cost-shared provincial/municipal funding formula (75%-25%) will not support the implementation of the proposed recommendations; and

WHEREAS, LHIN boundaries should be reconfigured to align with municipal, local public health, education, and social service boundaries to support their relationships with local public health and population health and health care system planning; and

WHEREAS public health can be integrated into the health care system without significant system disruption, enormous cost, and risk of eroding community valued Public Health programs and services that would result with implementation of the Expert Panel's recommendations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Sundridge does not support the recommendations of the Expert Panel and is in agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) urging the Minister of Health, Dr. Eric Hoskins, not to adopt them.

Items moved from Consent List

None.

F) CONSIDERATION OF A CLOSED SESSION

None.

[This concludes the list of Consent Items on the Agenda for December 13, 2017]

7) APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

Resolution #2017-303

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That Items listed as Consent Items for December 13, 2017 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as Resolutions of Council; and

That any Items for which pecuniary interest has been declared are deemed not to have been voted on or discussed by the individual making the declaration.

Carried.

8) MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #2017-304

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Jason Newman

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Carried.

9) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

[Item 9.1 was introduced by Ryan Jeffers November 22, 2017]

(9.1) Splash Pad Dedication - Dedication

Resolution #2017-305

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Russell Becker

That staff investigate a formal dedication of the splash pad to Stacey Stillar and report back to Council.

Carried.

(9.2) National Eating Disorder Information Centre (NEDIC) – Eating Disorder Awareness Week February 1st to February 7th, 2018

Resolution #2017-306

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Russell Becker

That the correspondence from the National Eating Disorder Centre dated November 23, 2017, be received; and

That February 1st to February 7th, 2018 be proclaimed as Eating Disorder Awareness Week.

Carried.

(9.3) The Township of Strong – Shared Service Agreements

[Please refer to Item 6(E.8) for additional information relating to this matter]

Resolution #2017-307

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That the correspondence received from The Township of Strong, dated November 29, 2017, regarding Shared Service Agreements, be received.

Carried.

(9.4) Medical Centre Committee – Legal Opinion

[Item 9.4, was introduced following the November 22, 2017 Closed Meeting of Council in relation to Item 6(F.1) a) i) on that agenda]

Resolution #2017-308

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Russell Becker

Whereas the Sundridge and District Medical Centre Committee has been urged to obtain a legal opinion to assist in understanding roles and relationships within and between the Sundridge and District Medical Centre Committee, the Sundridge and District Medical Centre, the Village of Sundridge as the administering municipality, member municipalities, and medical centre staff; and

Whereas, the Sundridge and District Medical Centre Committee has declined to undertake such a legal opinion;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council directs staff to seek a legal opinion for the purpose of understanding the Village of Sundridge's roles and responsibilities relative to the Sundridge and District Medical Centre and the Sundridge and District Medical Centre Committee; and

That the legal advice obtained be considered in understanding the current shared service agreement and operating model in the best interest of all stakeholders; and

That the cost of such legal advice being provided from the Village of Sundridge Medical Centre Reserve; and

That these matters be carried out expeditiously, time being of the essence.

Carried.

(9.5) Budgetary Control – January 1, 2017 to December 13, 2017

Resolution #2017-309

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Russell Becker

That the Village of Sundridge Budgetary Control for the period January 1, 2017 to November 30, 2017, be received.

Carried.

(9.6) Shareholder Designation – Lakeland Holding Ltd.

Resolution #2017-310

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Russell Becker

Whereas it is a requirement of each shareholder under the Shareholder Agreement between Shareholders and Lakeland Holding Ltd. to designate the head of Council (or an alternate duly appointed by Council) as the legal representative of that Shareholder (the “Shareholder Representative”) for the purposes of providing any consent or approval required by the Agreement or by the Act; and

Whereas such designation is required at least thirty (30) days prior to the commencement of each Fiscal Year

Be it resolved that Council for the Village of Sundridge designates the Mayor or any member of the Village of Sundridge Council in his place should he be unavailable as shareholder representative for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge.

Carried.

10) RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #2017-311

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That Committee of the Whole rise and return to the Council session to receive the Committee of the Whole Report.

Carried.

11) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Resolution #2017-312

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Jason Newman

That Council adopts the Committee of the Whole recommendations on December 13, 2017 as resolutions of Council.

Carried.

12) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lyle Hall

- Attended a meeting with MTO on November 24th as CAEDA rep regarding signage on Hwy #11. Signage north of Hwy #124 are no problem and CAEDA sign will be moved and will have an indefinite lease. Signage south of Hwy #124 is under tight restrictions and will be subject to a formal proposal and evaluation by MTO. This is contrary to what was discussed last summer at AMO under “bush” rules. Lyle will continue to pursue through CAEDA.
- Lions Telethon was well attended and a lot of money was raised.
- Machar has voted to leave CAEDA effective December 31, 2017. There are some unanswered questions about the process and timing (Can they leave? Are there withdrawal conditions?).
- Attended the Lakeland shareholder meeting on December 8, 2017. Highlights of upcoming initiatives were shared.

Russell Becker

- Nothing at this time.

Ryan Jeffers

- N/A

Jason Newman

- Nothing at this time.

Don Richardson

- Commented on the differences in housing costs between neighbouring municipalities. Building and construction numbers and costs are impacted by property tax rates.

Karen Fraser (Clerk Administrator)

- Staff are working to bring Lottery Licensing requirements up to standard.
- Direction from Tri or Bi Council meetings for staff should be provided through Council resolutions following the meetings.
- Carpets are being cleaned on December 30, 2017 – Library and Medical Centre.
- Changes to the Planning Act will see the OMB change to LPAT. The comment period on proposed changes is now open until January 21, 2018.
- Tri Clerks met on December 12, 2017 to discuss shared service agreements. They will present to Tri Council on February 8, 2018.
- The Mayor has received an invitation to the Lieutenant Governor’s New Year’s Day Levee in Hamilton if any members wish to attend.
- Feedback was sought from Council on putting forward a Maintenance/Facilities solution for the medical centre.

13) INTRODUCTION OF FUTURE MOTIONS

Lyle Hall will introduce a motion on January 10, 2018 to re-consider a motion to establish a community hub in Sundridge in light of new funding opportunities and to permit Mayor Hall to meet with Infrastructure Ontario.

14) CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #2017-313

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That By-law No. 2017-041, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge at its meeting of December 13, 2017, be adopted.
Carried.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #2017-314

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Jason Newman

That we do now adjourn at 8:01 p.m. until the Council meeting on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 or at the call of the Mayor.
Carried.

Lyle Hall, Mayor

Karen Fraser, Clerk Administrator