

Regular Meeting of the Village of Sundridge Council

**Wednesday, January 24, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.
Village of Sundridge Council Chambers**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Lyle Hall, Deputy Mayor Ryan Jeffers, Councillors Russell Becker, Don Richardson and Jason Newman (arrived at 6:25 p.m.)

STAFF PRESENT: Karen Fraser, Clerk Administrator
Nancy Austin, Deputy Clerk

1) CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #2018-016

Moved By: Ryan Jeffers
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That the agenda for Wednesday, January 24, 2018 be approved as amended to add Item 6(F.1) a) iii), 2018 Wage Schedule; and to remove 6(C.2), Staff Report S2018-003 – Amendment to Village of Sundridge By-law No. 2016-043.

Carried.

3) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

4) PRESENTATIONS

None.

5) DELEGATIONS

A) Public & Consultants

(A.1) Don Smith – Porkfest 2018

By invitation, Mr. Smith attended to speak about his organization, Bikers Battling Cancer, a non-profit, charitable group. The group is interested in working with the arena committee, the recreation committee, the Strong Agricultural Society, the OPP and other local agencies to hold a food themed event, Pork Fest, on Canada Day weekend. A raffle lottery license application is being reviewed by the Village of Sundridge to assist with funding. Local sponsors are coming on board and attendance is anticipated at 1,000 to 3,000 people per day. The majority of the events will be held inside the arena. Proceeds the event will be used to support local families in coping with the financial burden associated with cancer. Staff Sgt. Brent Turner, Almaguin Highlands OPP was on hand to ask questions and offer comments. Staff was asked to coordinate a meeting with the OPP and the organizers to better understand roles. Council requested a copy of the site plan for the event and thanked Mr. Smith for his attendance.

Resolution #2018-017

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Russell Becker

That the delegation by Don Smith, Director and Chair, Bikers Battling Cancer, regarding Pork Fest 2018, be received with thanks.
Carried.

(A.2) Mike Reise & Darcy Wallingford – Communications Tower Update

Mr. Reise and Mr. Wallingford, Norther Lights Telecommunication Services, attended by invitation to share insight into the newly-constructed communication tower in Sundridge. The tower is situated on private land, and will offer fibre optic high-speed internet for area residents. Areas which are currently under-serviced will benefit greatly. Mr. Reise and Mr. Wallingford are pleased to announce the service which has been a work-in-progress for many years. The tower should be operational by the first of February.

Resolution #2018-018

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That the delegation by Mike Reise and Darcy Wallingford from Northern Lights Telecommunication Services, regarding an update on the new Communications Tower in Sundridge, be received with thanks.
Carried.

B) Staff

None.

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 – January 10, 2018

Resolution #2018-019.01

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting dated January 10, 2018, be adopted as printed.

(A.2) Closed Council Meeting – January 10, 2018

Resolution #2018-019.02

That the minutes of the Closed Council meeting dated January 10, 2018, be adopted as printed.

B) COMMITTEE & BOARD MINUTES

(B.1) Sundridge-Strong Fire Department Management Board – November 1, 2017

Resolution #2018-019.03

That the Regular meeting minutes held on November 1, 2017, be received.

(B.2) Sundridge-Strong Recreation Committee – November 2, 2017

Resolution #2018-019.04

That the Regular meeting minutes held on November 2, 2017, be received.

(B.3) Central Almaguin Economic Development Association – January 15, 2018

Resolution #2018-019.05

That the minutes of the Central Almaguin Economic Development Association, dated January 15, 2018, be received.

C) STAFF REPORTS

- (C.1) Staff Report S2018-002 – Q4 2017 Management Report

Resolution #2018-019.06

That Council receive the Q4 2017 Management Report, as contained in Staff Report S2018-002, January 24, 2018, as information.

- (C.2) Staff Report S2018-003 – Amendment to Village of Sundridge By-law No. 2016-043

[Item 6(C.2) was removed at the request of staff.]

D) BY-LAWS

- (D.1) By-law No. 2018-002 – Appoint a Deputy Clerk

[Item 6D.1 was discussed during a closed meeting of Council on January 10, 2018]

Resolution #2018-019.07

That By-law No. 2018-002, being a by-law to appoint a Deputy Clerk for the Village of Sundridge, be adopted.

E) CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Staff

- (E.1) Follow Up List – January 24, 2018

Resolution #2018-019.08

That the *Staff Follow Up and Report to Council 2018* list, for the January 24, 2018 Council Meeting be received.

- (E.2) Memo - Invasive Species: Phragmites

Resolution #2018-019.09

That the correspondence from the Deputy Clerk, dated January 24, 2018 re Invasive Species- Phragmites, be received.

- (E.3) Joint Building Committee – 2017 Building Permit Report to JBC

Resolution #2018-019.10

That the correspondence from the Joint Building Committee dated 2017 re: 2017 Building Permit Report (including Five Year Averages without Magnetawan; Building Permit Summary 2017; Percentage of Permit Fees Collected per Municipality; MPMP Building Department Statistics 2017), be received.

- (E.4) Joint Building Committee – 2017 Report to Sundridge Council

Resolution #2018-019.11

That the correspondence from the Joint Building Committee dated 2017 re 2017 Building Permit Report to Sundridge Council, be received.

Inter-Governmental Correspondence

- (E.5) Ministry of Finance – Framework for retail distribution of Cannabis

Resolution #2018-019.12

That the correspondence from the Ministry of Finance regarding the framework for retail distribution of cannabis, be received.

Board and Agency Correspondence

- (E.6) North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit 2018 Municipal Levy

Resolution #2018-019.13

That the correspondence from the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit dated January 11, 2018 regarding 2018 Municipal Levy, be received.

Other Correspondence

- (E.7) Almaguin Area Joint Compliance Audit Committee Request for Membership

Resolution #2018-019.14

That the correspondence from the Clerk-Administrator, Village of Burk's Falls, regarding appointment to the Almaguin Area Joint Compliance Audit Committee, be received.

Resolutions of Support

- (E.8) Ontario Good Roads Association – Seeking Reforms to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process

Resolution #2018-019.15

Whereas a coalition of the Municipal Engineers association (MEA) and the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario have successfully applied to have a review of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process

conducted under Part IV (Section 61) of the Environmental Bill of Rights Act, 1993 (EBR Act);

And Whereas impact studies and public meetings required by the MCEA process often take two years or more to complete before construction can commence;

And Whereas the MCEA requirements to evaluate alternatives are often not well aligned with prior or municipal land use planning decisions;

And Whereas analysis by the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO) has demonstrated that the time to complete an EA rose from 19 months to 26.7 months and costs went from an average of \$113, 300 to \$386,500;

And Whereas the Auditor General of Ontario has tabled recommendations for modernizing the MCEA process;

And Whereas in spite of written commitments made by the Ministry of the Environment between 2013-2015, no action has been taken;

And Whereas local projects that do not have the necessary approvals could lose out on the next intake of Build Canada funding;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Village of Sundridge supports OGRA in its efforts, requesting that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change take immediate steps to expedite the response process for Part II Orders or Bump-Up requests, as part of the s.61 review to improve MCEA process times and reduce study costs;

And further that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change amend the scope of MCEA reports and studies to reduce duplication with existing public processes and decisions made under municipal Official Plans and provincial legislation.

F) CONSIDERATION OF A CLOSED SESSION

(F.1) Resolution #2018-019.16

That Council hold a Closed Session meeting as provided for by Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, and the Village of Sundridge's Procedural By-law No. 2014-061, immediately following this Council meeting to deal with:

- a) Labour relations or employee negotiations
 - i) Employee Annual Evaluations
 - ii) Deputy Clerk Position
 - iii) 2018 Wage Schedule
- b) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

- i) Legal Opinion- Sundridge and District Medical Centre

[This concludes the list of Consent Items on the Agenda for January 24, 2018]

7) APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

Resolution #2018-019

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That Items listed as Consent Items for January 24, 2018 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 #2018-020

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole.
Carried.

9) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

None.

10) RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #2018-021

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

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 #2018-022

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That Council adopts the Committee of the Whole recommendations on January 24, 2018 as resolutions of Council.

Carried.

12) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lyle Hall

- Attendance at ROMA last week was productive with a delegation before the MNRF seeking faster, better control of the dam on Lake Bernard. Further action is required, including another survey of property owners to determine support for a permanent adjustment to the lake levels. The Blue-Green Algae (BGA) matter was referred to MOECC. Meetings with other members of government (PC Caucus) were an opportunity to discuss other relevant matters such as hiring and recruiting, lake issues and amalgamation.
- Provincial funding for DSSAB is up 2.8% overall, however increase for childcare is up 18.6%.
- At the Strong Agricultural Society annual meeting, a decision was made to have the farmer's market become a summer market.
- The suggestion for CAEDA to become the point of contact for new businesses and to create a welcome package was well received at the last meeting. Courtney will prepare a package. The EDO is also working on "Ontario by Bike" connective trails which can be linked to Sundridge on-line.
- Bracebridge Innovation Seminar – participated in the first in a series of seminars which is a pilot for projects in various locations.
- Labour Market Group – census information presented for the Central Almaguin area indicates that the highlands are becoming a retirement hub with healthcare and social assistance being of highest demand in the area.

Russell Becker

- Would like to discuss Mud Run at the next CAEDA meeting. There is currently no administrator for this event.

Ryan Jeffers

- Excited to hear from the two delegations.

Jason Newman

- Pleased that delegations attended to share their information.

Don Richardson

- Raised questions about the Canada Day Celebration and the Bikers Battling Cancer event.

Karen Fraser (Clerk Administrator)

- Congratulations to Nancy Austin on attaining a certificate for Unit 2 of the AMCTO Law Program.

13) INTRODUCTION OF FUTURE MOTIONS

None.

14) CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #2018-023

Moved By: Ryan Jeffers
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That By-law No. 2018-003, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge at its meeting of January 24, 2018, be adopted.
Carried.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #2018-024

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That we do now adjourn at 7:05 p.m. until the Council meeting on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 or at the call of the Mayor.
Carried.

Lyle Hall, Mayor

Karen Fraser, Clerk Administrator