

**TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR**

Council Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2017

Present: Reeve Hopkins, Councillors Bonnie Beier, Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen, Debbie Zulak  
Staff: Clerk Administrator, Shawn Boggs

Moved by: Bonnie Beier  
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-371 That the Township of McKellar accept the minutes of the November 20, 2017 Council meeting as circulated.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-372 That the Township of McKellar hereby go into Committee of the Whole at 6:31 p.m.

Carried

PUBLIC FORUM

The following members of the public addressed Council: Wave Weir and Henry Beier.

REPORTS

The 2017 McKellar Market report was received. The September and October Public Works update report was received. Councillor Beier reported on the November 27, 2017 Library Board meeting and the November Chamber of Commerce meeting and advised that the Chamber's annual meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2018. Councillor Zulak reported on the November 22, 2017 Belvedere Heights meeting. Councillor Haskim reported on the November 27, 2017 Planning Board meeting and advised that the 2018 budget was approved and the levy would remain the same as 2017. Councillor Kekkonen gave a verbal Community Centre upgrade report and advised that he would copy Council with the initial suggested improvements to the Community Centre. Reeve Hopkins reported on various community events happening around the Township. Reeve Hopkins also reported on the November 29, 2017 Provincial Offences Act Committee meeting, the November 29, 2017 REDAC meeting and the OMB hearing held on November 22, 2017. Reeve's report on file.

Committee recommended that a resolution be considered to support the North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit resolution.

Moved by: Debbie Zulak  
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-373 That the Committee of the Whole rise and report at 7:21 p.m.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier  
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-374 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-34, being a by-law to prohibit the depositing of snow and ice on Township roadways, Third reading and Passed in Open Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

YEA: Councillors Beier, Haskim, Kekkonen and Zulak and Reeve Hopkins  
NAY: None

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-375 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-36, being a by-law to provide for the erection of a stop sign on Camp Majala Road, First and Second Reading

Carried

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Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-376 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-36, being a by-law to provide for the erection of a stop sign on Camp Majala Road, Third reading and Passed in open Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-377 That the Township of McKellar accept the November 1, 17, 23 and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Accounts Payable reports and payroll run No, 958, 959, 960 and 962 in the amount of \$993,008.13

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier  
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-378 That the Township of McKellar authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$83,884.82 from the Minerva Park reserve account to current revenue to offset the 2017 construction and design costs of the Minerva Park pavilion.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-379 That the Township of McKellar authorize the Treasurer to transfer the surplus balance of the 2017 Recreation Committee operating budget to the Recreation committee reserve account.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-380 That the Township authorize the Treasurer to transfer the surplus balance of the 2017 Community Centre operating budget to the Community Centre capital reserve account.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-381 **WHEREAS** Council defeated resolution No. 16-13 to instruct the clerk to draft a new Council remuneration by-law basing all-inclusive salary remuneration on an average of the last five years;

**AND WHEREAS** Council wishes to reconsider Council remuneration options;

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that council hereby rescind resolution 16-13 and consider discussions on revising the Council remuneration system.

YEA: Councillor Haskim and Reeve Hopkins  
NAY: Councillors Beier, Kekkonen and Zulak

Defeated

Moved by: Bonnie Beier  
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-382        **WHEREAS** the Township of McKellar received the report of the Minister’s Expert Panel on Public Health: “Public Health within an Integrated Health System”,  
**WHEREAS** the Council for the Township of McKellar has significant concerns regarding the recommendations of the Expert Panel to integrate a population health approach into local planning and service delivery,  
**WHEREAS** there is an apparent lack of empirical evidence base upon which the recommendations are founded,  
**WHEREAS** the current mandate of public health to prevent disease, protect and promote health should remain unchanged,  
**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,  
**WHEREAS** the important linkages with local communities for programming, understanding local needs and leveraging these partnerships will be undermined,  
**WHEREAS** regionalization of public health units with centralized decision-making will have significant negative consequences for local public health and municipalities:

1.        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,
2.        Substantial delays in responding to local program and service needs especially during emergencies
3.        Adding another layer of bureaucracy resulting in increased costs and inefficiencies
4.        Governance structure will not be flexible enough to meet/adjust/respond to local needs and negatively impact vulnerable priority populations
5.        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.)
6.        Key positions (chair, vice chair, finance, etc.) on regional boards of health should not be appointed Orders in Council to avoid political influence/interference

**WHEREAS** the current cost-shared provincial/municipal funding formula (75%-25%) will not support the implementation of the proposed recommendations,  
**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,  
**WHEREAS** public health can be integrated into the health care system without the significant system disruption, enormous cost, and risk of eroding community valued Public Health programs and services that implementation of the Expert Panel’s recommendations would result in,  
**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Township of McKellar 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.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-383        That the Township of McKellar designate Councillor Zulak and Councillor Beier as Council liaison for the Minerva Park pavilion kiosk

YEA: Councillors Beier, Haskim and Zulak  
NAY: Councillor Kekkonen and Reeve Hopkins

Carried

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Moved by: Bonnie Beier  
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-384 That the Township of McKellar give all permanent staff a \$100.00 Christmas bonus.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier  
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-385 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-37, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, First and Second reading this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim  
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-386 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-37, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, Third reading and Passed in Open Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

Carried

Moved by: Debbie Zulak  
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-387 That the Township of McKellar adjourn to meet again on December 18, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Carried

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Reeve

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Clerk