

TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS FOR MEETING – March 22, 2021 AT 7 P.M.
TO BE HELD VIRTUALLY

Absent, if any, please call

1. Call to order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof

4. Minutes – Council Meeting March 8, 2021 – enclosed

5. Visitors, if any
6. Any person who requested to be on the agenda – to date of mailing
 - a) 7:00 p.m. – Bruce Caldwell – Manager – Highway Operations Northwest and Cathy Seeley – Head Operations Service – Ministry of Transportation re: Highway 595 rehabilitation work.
- Enclosed is information previously provided to Council in January with regard to previous maintenance on Highway 595.
 - b) 7:30 p.m. – Lance Wakewich, BlueFox Communications – Innovative wireless internet service provider – information enclosed

7. 8:00 p.m. – Fire Chief Henry Mattas
 - a) Fire Department Report – enclosed
 - b) Fire Department issues
 - c) WSIB Coverage for Fire Department Members – discuss amount of coverage.
 - d) Ministry of the Solicitor General – re: Fire Safety Grant Announcement – The Township is eligible for \$4,700.00. – enclosed
 - e) Fire Marshal's Communique – March 4, 2021 – re: Ontario Fire College Training Modernization – enclosed
 - f) Ministry of the Solicitor General – re: COVID-19 Relief Funding for Municipalities Program - enclosed

8. Voucher for March 22, 2021 – a) Admin and Road – Summary of bills enclosed

9. Statement of Revenue and Expenditures - unavailable

10. By-laws and Policies – a) By-law Number 2021-08 – Being a By-law to regulate open air burning of materials and to govern the issuance of fire permits in the Township of O'Connor. – draft enclosed

11. Consent applications – none at time of mailing

12. Tenders and Quotes – none at time of mailing

13. Resolutions for endorsement – a) Municipality of Shuniah – re: Municipal Insurance Rates – enclosed
 - b) Township of Conmee – copy of the letter they submitted to the City of Thunder Bay and the resolution they endorsed with regard to Superior North EMS - Enclosed
 - c) Township of South Glengarry – re: COVID-19 vaccines - enclosed

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14. Correspondence – copies of letters enclosed

- a) MPs Peter Julian, Don Davies & Jenny Kwan – reply to Council's endorsed resolution supporting Bill C-213, the Canada Pharmacare Act.
- b) Municipality of Tweed – copy of letter to Premier Ford re: Advocacy for Reform of Joint and Several Liability.
- c) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – re: Capacity Limit Changes for Some Events in Grey-Lockdown, Phase 1 COVID Vaccination Plan for Frontline Emergency Personnel & new COVID border Testing Orders.
- d) Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) – i) Policy Update – March 10, 2021 – re: More Social Services Relief Funding to Protect the Homeless during COVID-19 and Ontario Vaccine Rollout Update.
ii) Policy Update – March 12, 2021 – re: New Support for Local Fire Services and Updated COVID-19 Vaccine Tools and Resources.
iii) Policy Update – March 18, 2021 – re: Long-Term Care Modernization and Expansion, Asset Management Plan Timelines Extended, and Age-Friendly Community Planning.
- e) Assessment Review Boards – Tribunals Ontario – re: Appeals Resolution Strategy – 2021 Taxation Year.

15. Old business

- a) Blue Fox Communications – information on their services. Presentation by Mr. Wakewich at 7:30 p.m. also.
- b) Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) – Second Call for Nominations for Offices of President & Executive Vice President - enclosed
- c) AMO Policy Update March 8, 2021 re: Municipal Councillor Code of Conduct Consultations. Brought forward from the last meeting. - enclosed
- d) Discuss possible budget dates.
- e) Further old business

16. New business

- a) Solicitor General – re: Update on the new Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachment boards under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA). - enclosed
- b) Kasper Wabinski – Kasper Transportation – i) seeking support for Coast-to-Coast Bus Coalition – enclosed
ii) CCBC – A Coast to Coast Bus Coalition proposal – enclosed
iii) Copy of letter of support from Michael Gravelle, MPP Thunder Bay-Superior North - enclosed
- c) Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) – re: Invitation to join AMO's webinar on Long-Term Care & Seniors Advocacy - enclosed
- d) Further new business

17. Issues brought forward or letters received after agenda was mailed – copies will be available at the Council table

18. Information purposes: Building permits were approved as follows: none at time of mailing

19. Closed Portion – no issue at time of posting

20. Open meeting

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7 p.m.

22. Adjournment