



# The Corporation of the Town of Bruce Mines

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MAYOR: LORY PATERI  
CLERK: DONNA BRUNKE

## MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING IN THE BRUCE MINES MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND ELECTRONICALLY AT 8:00 PM.

### PRESENT:

MAYOR LORY PATERI

COUNCILLORS - RICHARD O'HARA, MARIOLA MORIN AND JODY ORTO

CLERK DONNA BRUNKE

1. Call to order by Mayor Patteri in the Bruce Mines council chambers and electronically.
2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest - Councillors Orto and Morin
3. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-257**

**MOVED BY: C. ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: C. MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL DECEMBER 6, 2021. CARRIED.**

4. Committee of Adjustment/Council of the Whole: A) as required
5. Delegations: A) none
6. Reports:
  - a) PWO I) Taylor Street generator pending follow up - report reviewed
  - b) CBO/Zoning I)
  - c) Clerk I) report reviewed
7. Minutes: A) Nov. 1/21 closed, Nov. 15/21 and Nov. 29/21 Special

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-258**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021, THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2021 AND THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 29, 2021, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.**

8. Old Business: A)

9. Committee Reports:

- i) Admin/student/hall: a) Councillor position - one more to interview - person to be chosen at Dec. 20th meeting
- b) January/22 meeting dates

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-259**

**MOVED BY: C. MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: C. ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES SETS THE DATES FOR THE JANUARY 2022 COUNCIL MEETINGS AS: JANUARY 10/22 AND JANUARY 24/22. CARRIED.**

- c) Staff holiday gift

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-260**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE FOLLOWING DECEMBER GIFTS TO STAFF:  
4 X \$350.00 OFFICE AND ROADS  
2 X \$150.00 PART-TIME/SEASONAL  
1 X \$50.00 OTHER STAFF  
AND PAID FRIDAY AFTERNOONS OFF FROM MAY 20-SEPT. 2/22 FOR FULL-TIME STAFF. CARRIED.**

- ii) Fire Dept.: a) Fire Chief - report on hiring - resolution for twice a year hiring

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-261**

**MOVED BY: C. MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: C. ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES IMPLEMENTS A NEW HIRING POLICY FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH TWO HIRING/START DATES PER YEAR:**

- 1. THE THIRD WEDNESDAY IN JANUARY
- 2. THE SECOND WEDNESDAY IN JUNE CARRIED.

- iii) Health Centre/Huron North West: a) doctor recruitment on Thursday re: concerns

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-262**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. MORIN**

**WHEREAS THE THESSALON HOSPITAL PROVIDES AN ESSENTIAL AND CRITICAL SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AND SURROUNDING AREAS PROVIDING SERVICE TO 2,500 PEOPLE FROM APRIL-SEPTEMBER 2021; AND**

**WHEREAS THE LIKELIHOOD OF CONTRACTS ENDING BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND THE REMAINING TWO THESSALON AND BRUCE MINES PHYSICIANS PROVIDING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT COVERAGE AT THE NSHN THESSALON SITE IS A MATTER OF GRAVE CONCERN AND HAS REACHED A CRITICAL POINT;**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES CALLS UPON THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND ONTARIO HEALTH NORTH TO WORK IMMEDIATELY AND COLLABORATIVELY WITH THE NSHN, THE MUNICIPALITIES AND FIRST NATIONS TO TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO FILL EXISTING AND UPCOMING VACANCIES IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THIS ESSENTIAL SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITIES. **CARRIED.****

- iv) Library: a) board member pending
  
- v) Marina/Campground /Shaft: a) Marina and Campground 2021 Statistics - campground did well - marina transients low - need to look at options for staffing hours in 2022
  
- vi) Planning: a)
  
- vii) Recreation: a) update - original plan was to hold a holiday event at the community hall but with COVID-19 numbers increasing, the recreation coordinator suggested a drive-by at the marina for craft/goody bags - need to track names and phone numbers or addresses - benches and elf costume available
  
- viii) Tri-Neighbours: a) Nov. 16/21 minutes  
b) Blue Box program - 22% = \$1,165.51  
c) Plummer Add'l Twp resolution appointment of Karen Corboy

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-263**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DOES NOT SUPPORT THE APPOINTMENT OF KAREN CORBOY TO THE TRI-NEIGHBOURS BOARD. COUNCIL DOESN'T BELIEVE IT'S A BEST PRACTICE TO HAVE A SPOUSE IN A POSITION OF AUTHORITY OVER THE OTHER SPOUSE/EMPLOYEE. **CARRIED.****

- ix) Water/Wastewater/OCWA: a) SGS Certificate of Analysis  
b) Drinking Water Quality Management System Minutes of Oct. 26/21 - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-264**

**MOVED BY: C. ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: C. MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE DRINKING WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (DWQMS) MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26, 2021, AS PRESENTED BY ONTARIO CLEAN WATER AGENCY. CARRIED.**

- c) Draw down of OCIF reserve in 2021 for new sewage pump at pump station in the amount of \$58,416.26 - resolution

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-265**

**MOVED BY: C. ORTO**

**SECONDED BY: C. O'HARA**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES DRAWING DOWN THE OCIF RESERVE IN 2021 FOR NEW SEWAGE PUMP AT THE PUMPING STATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,416.26. CARRIED.**

10. Council Comments:

C. Morin attended the OTR meeting - no issues identified

11. Disbursements:

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-266**

**MOVED BY: C. MORIN**

**SECONDED BY: C. ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES APPROVES THE DECEMBER 6, 2021 DISBURSEMENT SHEET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,464.35 NOTING THAT FOR ANY MEMBER OF COUNCIL WHO HAS DECLARED A PECUNIARY INTEREST WITH REGARD TO ANY ACCOUNT, THEIR APPROVAL IS BASED ON THIS ACCOUNT(S) BEING EXCLUDED FROM THE TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. CARRIED.**

12. Bylaws/Tenders/Agreements: a) Ferrovia Services Sales Agreement

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-267**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. ORTO**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BY-LAW TO ADOPT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES AND FERROVIAL SERVICES FOR WINTER SAND. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2021-38. CARRIED.**

13. New Business:

- a) Drone discussion - emergency management, roads, recreation, etc. - agreement to investigate cost and permits
- b) MNDM - Northern Ontario Resource Dev. Fund - submit project by Dec. 7/21 - FONOM Media Release - info
- c) Rural Relief and Recovery CED Fund - info
- d) MPAC - Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review: Build Ontario - postponement of the province-wide assessment update - info
- e) Ministry of Infrastructure - Building Broadband Faster Act Guidelines and Regulations - info
- f) Ministry of Municipal Affairs - Financial Indicator Review for 2020 - all positive info

- comment from Councillor Morin that cement on north side looks good

14. Communications: Information

- a) ADSAB minutes and package of Nov/21
- b) OPP - Oct./21 Summary Report
- c) Plummer Add'l - approval of health centre financial sheet
- d) Federal and Ontario Ministers of Agriculture re: Canadian Agricultural Partnership (sent to Penokean Hills Farms)
- e) ARB - update
- f) Great Lakes Lakewide Action and Management Plans 2020 Annual Report online and 2020 Annual Climate Trends and Impacts Summary for the Great Lakes Basin
- g) AMO:
  - Social, Cultural and Economic Empowerment & Anti-Black Racism Unit Conference
  - AMO Board Approves Indigenous-Municipal Relationship Agreement Guidance Document for Municipalities
  - Watchfile Nov. 18 and Nov. 25 online
- h) Ontario Human Rights Commission - COVID-19 Recovery Planning
- i) FONOM - ONTC Northlander Passenger Train Test Run
- j) Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit - cost of funding COVID-19 related expenses

k) Algoma Tourism COVID-19 update on algomacountry.com website

l) Ontario Heritage Trust - online

15. Closed:

16. Confirmatory By-law

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-268**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES GIVES FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING AND FINALLY ENACTS AND PASSES A BYLAW, BEING A BYLAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETINGS NOVEMBER 29, 2021 AND DECEMBER 6, 2021. ITS NUMBER SHALL BE 2021-39. CARRIED.**

17. Adjourn

**MOTION NUMBER: 2021-269**

**MOVED BY: C. O'HARA**

**SECONDED BY: C. MORIN**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES DOES NOW ADJOURN AT 8:55 P.M., TO MEET AGAIN ON DECEMBER 20, 2021, OR AT THE CALL OF THE MAYOR. CARRIED.**

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**MAYOR - Lory Patteri**

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**CLERK - Donna Brunke**