

The Municipality of  
**Powassan**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 7:00 pm**

**Council Chambers @250 Clark, Powassan**

**Present:** Peter McIsaac, Mayor  
 Randy Hall, Deputy Mayor  
 Dave Britton, Councillor  
 Markus Wand, Councillor  
 Debbie Piekarski, Councillor

**Absent:**

**Staff:** Maureen Lang, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

**Presentations:** 250 Clark Lego Robotics Team

**Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof:**

Markus Wand	Item 15	I am listed in the accounts payable under the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program
Peter McIsaac	Item 18.4	My employer is part of the discussion

**2020-55** Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: M. Wand  
 That the agenda of the Council meeting of February 18, 2020, be approved. **Carried**

**2020-56** Moved by: R. Hall Seconded by: D. Britton  
 That Council donates \$500 toward 250 Clark Lego Robotics Team, and further, that Council provide T-shirts for the team. **Carried**

**2020-57** Moved by: D. Piekarski Seconded by: D. Britton  
 That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 4, 2020, be adopted. **Carried**

**2020-58** Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
 That the minutes from the Trout Creek Community Centre Board (TCCCB) committee meeting dated February 5, 2020, be received. **Carried**

**2020-59** Moved by: D. Piekarski Seconded by: D. Britton  
 That By-law 2020-04, being a By-law to establish a Volunteer Fire Department.

**READ a FIRST and SECOND** time this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.  
**READ a THIRD and FINAL** time and considered passed, this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020. **Carried**

**2020-60** Moved by: D. Britton Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
 That By-law 2020-07, being a by-law to provide for an interim Tax Levy for 2020.

**READ a FIRST and SECOND** time this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020,  
 To be **READ a THIRD and FINAL** time and considered passed as such in open Council on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2020. **Carried**

- 2020-61                    Moved by: D. Piekarski                    Seconded by: D. Britton  
That the Consent Application B13/POWASSAN/2020, be received, and further, that Council approve the application.                    **Carried**
- 2019-62                    Moved by: D. Britton                    Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
That the correspondence dated February 10, 2020 from the Blue Sky Region regarding a Broadband upgrade project, be received.                    **Carried**
- 2020-63                    Moved by: D. Britton                    Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
**WHEREAS**, reliable, high speed, affordable access to the Internet and e-connectivity is imperative for Powassan residents, businesses, non-profit organizations and visitors; and  
  
**WHEREAS**, internet and e-connectivity are changing how humans interact with each other and with the world at large, as well as being a driving force for the current and future economy; and  
  
**WHEREAS**, internet and e-connectivity create opportunity for increased innovation for consumers, businesses, agriculture, government, education, social and health development; and  
  
**WHEREAS**, municipalities that prioritize and provide access to advance internet infrastructure such as fibre, are surpassing those that do not in terms of social, economic, and knowledge development; and  
  
**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Powassan does not have access to greater than 5 Mbps internet service, which is well below the CRTC standard of 50/10 Mbps, and  
  
**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Council of Powassan acknowledges that access to the internet and e-connectivity is a crucial part of our community mission to promote public safety, health, well-being and prosperity in order to improve the quality of life for present and future generations,  
  
**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipality of Powassan supports Blue Sky Economic Growth Corporation's application to all government Broadband funding programs that will seek to provide funding to Spectrum Telecom Group Ltd. to build a fibre and wireless access project in parts of the City of North Bay and South/East Region in the Districts of Nipissing and Parry Sound                    **Carried**
- 2020-64                    Moved by: D. Britton                    Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
That the correspondence dated February 10, 2020, from the Ministry of the Environment conservation and Parks regarding reorganization of branches of the ministry, creating a new Municipal Water and Wastewater Permissions Section for municipal drinking water license (MDWLs) and drinking water works permits (DWWPs), be received.                    **Carried**
- 2020-65                    Moved by: D. Piekarski                    Seconded by: D. Britton  
That the accounts payable listing reports dated February 4 & 12, 2020, in the total amount of \$107,962.79, be approved for payment.                    **Carried**

2020-66

Moved by: D. Britton                      Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
That Council now adjourns to closed session at 7:44pm to discuss:

18.1 Adoption of Closed Session minutes of January 7, 2020.

18.2 Adoption of Closed Session minutes of January 21, 2020.

18.3 Labour Relations-Section 239(2)(d) of the Municipal Act and under 6(1)(d) of the Procedural Bylaw. Matters regarding an identifiable individual.

18.4 Identifiable Individual-Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act and under 6(1)(b) of the Procedural Bylaw. Matters regarding an identifiable individual.

18.5 Identifiable Individual-Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act and under 6(1)(b) of the Procedural Bylaw. Matters regarding an identifiable individual.

**Carried**

2020-67

Moved by: D. Piekarski                      Seconded by: D. Britton  
That Council now reconvenes at 8:55pm.

**Carried**

2020-68

Moved by: D. Britton                      Seconded by: D. Piekarski  
That Council now adjourns at 8:55pm.

**Carried**

*Deputy*

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Mayor

*Maureen Rang*  
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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer