

AGENDA
A meeting of the Council of the Corporation
of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
to be held on Tuesday, December 22nd, 2020
Electronic Format at 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof**
- 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting**
 - i. Confirming By-Law 2020-57
- 5. New Business**
 - i. By-law 2001-13 Taxi cabs
 - ii. Identified expenses – 2021 Budget
- 6. Correspondence**
 - i. Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory – Winter Maintenance
 - ii. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Funding Announcement
- 7. Minutes and Other Reports**
 - i. Mayors update
- 8. Adjournment**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF
NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS**

BY-LAW NO. 2020-57

Being a by-law of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands to adopt the minutes of Council for the term commencing December 4, 2018 and authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby.

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25. s. 5 (3) requires a Municipal Council to exercise its powers by by-law, except where otherwise provided;

AND WHEREAS in many cases, action which is taken or authorized to be taken by a Council or a Committee of Council does not lend itself to an individual by-law;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the minutes of the meetings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands for the term commencing December 4th, 2018 and held on:

December 15th, 2020

are hereby adopted.
2. THAT the taking of any action authorized in or by the minutes mentioned in Section 1 hereof and the exercise of any powers by the Council or Committees by the said minutes are hereby ratified, authorized and confirmed.
3. THAT, where no individual by-law has been or is passed with respect to the taking of any action authorized in or by the minutes mentioned in Section 1 hereof or with respect to the exercise of any powers by the Council or Committees in the above-mentioned minutes, then this by-law shall be deemed for all purposes to be the by-law required for approving and authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein or thereby or required for the exercise of any power therein by the Council or Committees.
4. THAT the Mayor and proper Officers of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the recommendations, motions, resolutions, reports, action and other decisions of the Council or Committees as evidenced by the above-mentioned minutes in Section 1 and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents in the name of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands and to affix the seal of the Corporation thereto.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS
22nd day of December 2020.

Al MacNevin

Mayor

Pam Cress

Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
Minutes of meeting held Tuesday, December 15th, 2020
Electronic Format at 7:00p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Al MacNevin, Councillors: Barb Baker, Al Boyd, Laurie Cook, Mike Erskine, Bruce Wood, Jim Ferguson, and Dawn Orr

ABSENT: Councillor William Koehler

STAFF PRESENT: David Williamson, CAO
Pam Cress, Clerk
Gary May, Manager of Public Works
Reid Taylor, Manager of Community Services

Mayor MacNevin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution No. 321-12-2020

Moved by: A. Boyd

Seconded by: D. Orr

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

Resolution No. 322-12-2020

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: J. Ferguson

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands reads a first, second and third time and finally passes by-law 2020-56, being a by-law to adopt the minutes of Council for the term commencing December 4, 2018 and authorizing the taking of any action authorized therein and thereby.

Carried

Resolution No. 323-12-2020

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: L. Cook

RESOLVED THAT the Planning Authority of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands accepts the tendered amount for Insurance as submitted by MIS Insurance in the amount of \$160 275.00 plus applicable PST

Carried

Resolution No. 324-12-2020

Moved by: A. Boyd

Seconded by: J. Ferguson

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands approves the strategic plan as amended.

Carried

Resolution No. 325-12-2020

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: J. Ferguson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does now adjourn at 7:47 pm.

Carried

Al MacNevin Mayor

Pam Cress Clerk



Box 608, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0
705-368-3500

Report to Council

Staff is recommending that Council consider rescinding By-law 2001-13 being a by-law to provide for the licensing of owners and drivers of taxicabs.

At the present time the Town offers four full time licenses and two seasonal licenses, of which all are currently purchased, two by Mothers taxi and two by All in One taxi., however it is undetermined how many taxi's each are really operating because they also operate outside of town so have multiple vehicles. There are at least two other companies that take fares in town one being Jeff's taxi and the other being Islandwide Taxi.

Since we have very little way of actually regulating the number of taxi's and due to the fact that we do not and have not, issued licences for any other business in town staff are requesting Council consider revisiting the licensing of Taxicabs

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF
NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS**

**BY-LAW NO. 2001-13
Amended December 17, 2013**

**BEING A BY-LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING OF
OWNERS AND DRIVERS OF TAXICABS**

WHEREAS item c of section 155 of The Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, enables a Municipal Council to pass by-laws to limit the number of taxicabs or any class of them

AND WHEREAS section 150 of The Municipal Act enables a Municipal Council to pass by-laws for licensing, regulating and governing any business;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to regulate the number of taxicab businesses operating within the town limits;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. DEFINITIONS:

For the purpose of this By-law:

- (a) "CORPORATION" means the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.
- (b) "COUNCIL" means the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.
- (c) "DRIVER" means the driver of a taxicab licensed as such under this by-law.
- (d) "MUNICIPAL BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" means the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.
- (e) "OWNER" means a person who is the registered owner of a taxicab or limousine.
- (f) "SEASONAL TAXICAB LICENCE" means a licence to operate a taxicab for a period of six (6) months, between April 1 and September 30, in a given year.
- (g) "TAXICAB" means any vehicle with seating capacity of not more than six (6) persons, exclusive of the driver, and used for hire for the conveyance of persons, but shall not include a bus, ambulance or a funeral hearse.
- (h) "TAXICAB LICENCE" means a licence to operate a taxicab for a period of up to one (1) year, and expiring on December 31.

2. GENERAL PROVISIONS:

(a) **TERM:**

All licenses issued under the authority of this By-law shall be valid from the date of issue until midnight on the last day of December next following, except that, in the case of any seasonal licence, it shall be valid from the date of issue not earlier than the first day of April until midnight on the last day of September next following.

2. GENERAL PROVISIONS: (cont'd)

(b) SOLE LICENCE:

No licence issued under this By-law is transferable or refundable.

(c) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF LICENCES:

The maximum number of taxicab licenses in force shall not exceed four (4), and the maximum number of seasonal taxicab licenses shall not exceed two (2). "Broker Ownership" of taxicab licenses is permitted, and is included in these maximum numbers.

(d) AVAILABILITY OF SEASONAL TAXICAB LICENCES:

Seasonal taxicab licenses shall be made available, firstly, to those individuals in possession of one or more annual taxicab licenses valid for the concurrent period. In the event that the last of an individual's taxicab licenses ceases to be valid, that individual's seasonal taxicab licenses shall be deemed to be invalid.

(e) LICENCE FEES:

Fees applicable under this By-law shall be as prescribed by Schedule "A", attached to and forming part of this By-law. All fees paid to the Treasurer in respect to driver's licences shall be in consideration of administrative expenses and shall be non-refundable.

3. REQUIREMENT FOR LICENCE:

(a) OWNER:

No person shall act as or be the owner of a taxicab or limousine unless licensed as an owner under this By-law.

(b) DRIVER:

No person shall drive or act as the driver of a taxicab or limousine unless licensed as a driver under this By-law.

4. RENEWAL OF LICENCES:

All licenses issued under this By-law shall be renewed on January 1st of each year, payment of the applicable fee.

5. DUTIES OF TAXICAB DRIVER LICENCEES:

(a) No driver shall charge a higher fare or an additional fee for persons with disabilities than for persons without disabilities for the same trip

(b) No driver shall charge a fee for the storage of mobility aids or mobility assistive devices.

TAXICAB VEHICLE INFORMATION:

The owner shall ensure that owners and operators of taxicabs make available vehicle registration and identification information in an accessible format to persons with disabilities who are passengers

The owner shall ensure that all licensed taxicabs place vehicle registration and identification information on the rear bumper of the taxicab

6. **LAPSE OR CANCELLATION OF LICENCE:**

In the event that a licence issued under this By-law lapses for a period of more than five (5) business days or is cancelled for any reason, any reapplication shall be deemed to be a new application, and subject to the applicable fees.

7. **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS BY-LAW:**

In the event that the holder of any licence issued under this By-law fails to comply with any one or more of its provisions, the Municipal Clerk is authorized to:

- a) declare the licence to be cancelled.
- b) advise the taxicab licensee's insurers that the owner is no longer licensed to operate a taxicab in the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.

8. **PENALTY:**

Every person who contravenes any provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and a conviction under The Provincial Offenses Act is liable to a fine of not less than \$2000.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS
17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013.

Al MacNevin Mayor

Pam Cress Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"
TO
BY-LAW NO. 2001-13
Amended December 19, 2013
OF THE
CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF
NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS

LICENCE FEES

Taxicab	Initial	\$ 292.00
	Renewal	146.00
Seasonal Taxicab	Initial	176.00
	Renewal	88. 00
Taxi Driver	Annual	30.00

Renewal Date 1 January , each year

TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN and the ISLANDS

Identified Expenses - 2021 Budget

Amortization Expense	\$1,612,016
Post Employment Benefits Expense	0
Solid Waste Landfill Closure and Post Closure Expenses	47,446
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<i>Estimated Change in Accumulated Surplus</i>	\$1,659,462

Prepared in accordance with Ontario Regulation 284 / 09 in which Council recognizes that they will not be budgeting for the above identified expenses in 2021.

The impact of the exclusion of the expenses as identified on future tangible capital asset funding is an estimated deficit of \$ 1,659,462

Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

19 A Complex Drive, P.O. Box 112
Wiikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0

December 17, 2020

Minister Caroline Mulroney,
Ministry of Transportation
Queen's Park/Minister's Office
5th Floor, 777 Bay Street
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1Z8

Dear Honourable Minister:

**Re: Winter Maintenance - Highway #6
Manitoulin Island, ON**

Recently, several Wiikwemkoong Unceded citizens have notified me about hazardous road conditions on Highway #6 from Little Current to South Baymouth, Manitoulin Island.

Apparently, there has been no salt put on the roads after there has been a considerable amount of snowfall. This has caused alarm in Wiikwemkoong, the largest First Nation on Manitoulin. As we are totally reliant on Highway 6 to travel anywhere on or off the Island, this is a major concern to us.

Please ensure that there is proper winter maintenance on Highway #6.

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Respectfully,



Duke Peltier
Ogimaa
Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

C.C. Alan MacNevin, Mayor, NEMI
David Ham, Mayor, Assiginack Township
Michael Mantha, MPP
Council, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

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MIN-234-2020-5724

December 16, 2020

Mayor Al MacNevin
Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands
amacnevin@townofnemi.on.ca

Dear Mayor MacNevin:

From the outset of COVID-19, our government knew that the pandemic was going to put a significant strain on Ontario's municipalities. That is why we are committed to working with all levels of government to ensure municipalities can continue to deliver the critical services Ontarians rely on.

In our negotiations with the federal government, what started as a \$14 billion national proposal was negotiated into the \$19 billion Safe Restart Agreement – securing up to \$4 billion for Ontario's municipalities and transit systems.

In August, our government committed \$695 million in an initial round of allocations under the \$1.39 billion municipal operating stream. Earlier today, I announced that the Ontario government is investing an additional \$695 million under the historic Safe Restart Agreement's municipal operating stream to help our municipal partners manage the financial impacts of COVID-19 and start 2021 in a more secure financial position.

I am pleased to advise that your municipality's allocation is \$53,000. This amount is being provided to help your municipality with 2021 COVID-related operating pressures.

Allocations for 2021 funding for all 444 municipalities are based on the number of households in the municipality and the proportion of COVID-19 cases occurring in the municipality's public health unit. Funding under the municipal operating stream is in addition to funding being provided under the Safe Restart Agreement for municipal transit systems, Social Services Relief Fund and public health.

We know municipalities will continue to feel the impacts of COVID-19 into 2021. Our government is providing this additional support as you develop your 2021 budgets. With this funding, your municipality can continue to deliver the high-quality local services your

residents and business rely on every day and have the confidence you need to proceed with budgeting for planned capital projects in 2021.

We have heard that you require flexible funding and we are delivering. Funding under the municipal operating stream of the Safe Restart Agreement can be used to support your municipality's highest priority COVID-related operating needs. The province expects that any amount of funding not required by your municipality in 2020 will be used to address 2021 pandemic-related operating needs.

As previously communicated, your municipality will be expected to report back to the province in March 2021 with information about your COVID-related operating pressures and use of both funding allocations. This report template will be available via the Transfer Payment Ontario system by late January 2021. Municipalities will also be expected to report back on 2021 operating pressures due to the pandemic at a later date.

I am requesting that your municipal treasurer sign the acknowledgement below and return the signed copy to the ministry by December 24, 2020 by email to Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca. Please note that we must receive this acknowledgement before making a payment to your municipality. We expect to begin making payments to municipalities in December 2020 and complete all payments by the end of January 2021.

Municipalities are welcome to contact their municipal advisor or e-mail Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca with any questions.

Thank you once again for your commitment to serving your residents during these challenging times. Our government will continue to stand with our municipal partners because we know that strong communities are the foundation of a strong Ontario – your success is Ontario's success.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. Municipal Treasurer and Chief Administrative Officer

By signing below, I acknowledge that the allocation of \$53,000 is provided to Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands for the purpose of assisting with COVID-19 operating costs and pressures and that the province expects that any funds not required for this purpose in 2020 will be used to support COVID-19 operating costs and pressures in 2021.

I further acknowledge that Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands is expected to report back to the province on 2020 and 2021 COVID-19 operating costs and pressures and the use of this funding.

Name: SHERYL WILKIN

Title: Treasurer

Signature: 

Date: Dec 17, 2020 .