

**AGENDA - AMENDED**

**A meeting of the Council of the Corporation  
of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands  
to be held on Tuesday, July 27, 2021  
Electronic Format at 7:00 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof**

**3. Minutes of Previous Meeting**  
i. Confirming By-Law 2021-39

**4. New Business**  
i. Economic Development update 2019-2021  
ii. **Update on Little Current Water Treatment Plant**

**5. Correspondence**  
i. Michael Mantha – Ontario Fire Training

**6. Minutes and Other Reports**  
i. Manitoulin Centennial Manor Minutes – June 17, 2021  
ii. Mayor's Report

**7. In Camera**  
i. **litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board**

**8. Adjournment**

The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands  
Minutes of a Special Council meeting held Tuesday, July 20, 2021  
via Zoom at 7:00p.m.

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

**STAFF PRESENT:** David Williamson, CAO  
Pam Cress, Clerk  
Wayne Williamson, Manager of Public Works  
Reid Taylor, Manager of Community Services  
Duane Deschamps, Fire Chief

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

**Resolution No. 203-07-2021**

Moved by: B. Wood  
Seconded by: A. Boyd  
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands approves the agenda as presented. Carried

**Resolution No. 204-07-2021**

Moved by: W. Koehler  
Seconded by: L. Cook  
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands now reads a first, second and third time and finally passes By-Law No 2021-38 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. 205-07-2021**

Moved by: D. Orr  
Seconded by: B. Wood  
RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands has no comment or concern with the MNR permit as applied for by Jean Rance and FURTHERMORE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands grants permission to the applicant to undertake work on the municipal shoreline allowance to support this dredging under the supervision of the Manger of Public Works. Carried

**Resolution No. 206-07-2021**

Moved by: M. Erskine  
Seconded by: L. Cook  
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands permits the Manitoulin Phragmites group to spray in the identified areas as per the attached to control the spread of this invasive species.

**Resolution No. 207-07-2021**

Moved by: B. Baker  
Seconded by: W. Koehler  
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does now adjourn at 7:37 pm. Carried

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Al MacNevin Mayor

Pam Cress Clerk

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

**BY-LAW NO. 2021-39**

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 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and held on:  
July 20, 2021  
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  
27th day of July, 2021.

Al MacNevin

Mayor

Pam Cress

Clerk

**Town of NEMI Funding Secured in 2021 (as of July 22, 2021)**

<b>Funding Program</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding Contribution Level</b>
ICIP Covid-19 Local Government Intake	Purchase and replace air conditioning units at the NEMI Recreation Center.	\$100,000	100% of total project costs funded
Celebrate Canada: Canadian Heritage	Funding to help support Canada Day celebrations in NEMI, in conjunction with the BIA.	\$4,000	100% of total project costs funded
Museum Assistance Program: Canadian Heritage	Funding to help support further collections management activities at the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah including shelving for museum storage areas, purchase of collections management software and staff wages to implement collections management activities.	\$10,180	50% of total project costs funded
Resilient Communities Fund: Ontario Trillium Foundation	Funding received to enhance public spaces, making them more COVID-friendly. Funding for this project will be utilized to upgrade several public washrooms in our parks, waterfront, Information Center and Recreation Center with touchless features (faucets and dispensers) and develop permanent	\$111,500	100% of total project costs funded

	washrooms at the Museum Park area.		
New Horizons for Seniors	Financial support to create an accessible entrance way, with designated scooter parking at the NEMI Recreation Center.	\$ 25,000	The Town will be responsible for covering additional project costs above the funding received. (Approximately \$10,000 in costs)
Rural Economic Development Program (RED)	Funding to support the development and creation of a virtual, guided tour of the Sheguiandah Archaeological Site and promotional and marketing materials.	\$ 9,325	50% of total project costs funded
Canada Summer Jobs: Federal Funding	Financial support to help support five summer student positions including: Public Works Student, Marina Student and Tourist Information Center Students (3x).	\$ 14,969.00	75% of total student wages per position
Summer Experience Program: Provincial Funding	Financial support to help support one Tourist Information Center summer student.	\$3,723	100% of total project costs funded
Young Canada Works: Federal Funding	Financial support to help support two Museum summer students.	\$ 10,584.00	100% of total project costs funded
Fire Safety Grant: Ministry of the Solicitor General	Financial support for increased training opportunities for local Fire Departments.	\$5,200	
Museum COVID Funding	Funding to help with technology related museum	\$3,000	Funding was based on allocation by the Province.

	activities/organizational development. Funding was used to purchase two tablets and a computer for the museum.		
<b>TOTAL FUNDING RECEIVED IN 2021</b>		<b>\$ 297,481.00</b>	

**Town of NEMI Funding Secured in 2020**

<b>Funding Program</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding Contribution Level</b>
Celebrate Canada	Funding to help support Canada Day celebrations in NEMI, in conjunction with the BIA.	\$4,000	<i>Please be advised that we returned this money as Canada Day celebrations were cancelled due to COVID.</i>
Municipal Modernization Program	To hire a third-party consultant to conduct a Municipal Service Delivery Review on our behalf.	\$ 54,136.32	100% of total project costs.
FEDNOR: Waterfront Climate Change Mitigation Project	Funding received to purchase and implement changes to the waterfront area to address rising water levels. Through this project we raised ___ feet of main dock, purchased stone barriers to limit water infiltration, purchased two ramps for docks and purchased new light/power stanchions.	\$194,531.00	75% of total project costs were funded.
United Way	Funding to support community initiatives during COVID-19. These monies were utilized to purchase 60 x \$50 food gift certificates from GG's and Valu-mart and were distributed to community members in need in partnership with 5 local churches.	\$3,000	100% funded.

Canadian Heritage	COVID-19 Operational Support for the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah.	\$13,611	Allocation based on the Museum's total operating budget, as per formula provided by funder.
Seniors Community Grant	Funding for enhancements to Low Island Park to make it more senior-friendly, including Purchase of mobi-mats to provide greater accessibility to areas of the park and purchase of 3 accessible picnic tables.	\$17,080	100% of project costs.
Canada Post Community Foundation	Funding received to support costs towards implementing programming for children and youth.	\$ 3,000	100% of project costs.
Seniors without Walls	Funding to implement Seniors Without Walls Telephone Based Programming.	\$4,000	<b><i>*We were not able to utilize these funds within the funding timeline as we had originally planned for, so these monies were returned.</i></b>
Jumpstart COVID-19 Funding	Funding to support PPE, increased sanitization and staff wages for the NEMI Recreation Center due to COVID-19.	\$8,500	100% of project costs.
Community Museum Operating Grant	Financial support to help support the operating costs of the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah. Funding is applied for on an annual basis.	\$9,105	<b><i>*Funding received is based on an allocation formula to support the Museum's operational costs.</i></b>



Canada Summer Jobs	Funding received to support wages for two summer student positions (1x-Public Works and 1x-Marina)	\$ 7,840	Municipality covered any additional wages above funding amounts.
Summer Experience Program	Funding received to support wages for three summer student positions. (Marina and 2x Information Center)	\$ 10,974	Municipality covered any additional wages above funding amounts.
Young Canada Works	Funding received to support wages two Museum summer student positions.	11,950.12	100% of staff wages.
<b>TOTAL FUNDING RECEIVED IN 2020</b>		<b>\$ 341,727.44</b>	

**Town of NEMI Funding Secured in 2019**

<b>Funding Program</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding Contribution Level</b>
Celebrate Canada	Funding to help support Canada Day celebrations in NEMI, in conjunction with the BIA.	\$ 4,000	100% funded.
Connecting Link	Funding received to support road infrastructure upgrades to the Connecting Link portions (Highway 6/Highway 540).	\$ 2,015,764	90% funded
FEDNOR – Lagoon	Funding received to support a major infrastructure upgrade at the Little Current Lagoon.	\$ 1,000,000	48.8% funded
ICIP Rural and Northern: Green Bush Road Project	Funding received to complete 3.3 kilometers of roadwork on the Green Bush Road.	\$ 451,717.20	93.33% funded of eligible costs
Northern Ontario Heritage Fund: Municipal Office Intern	Funding received to support 90% of wages for a Municipal Office Intern.	\$29,484	90% funded <i>*Please note, we had to return this money as we were not successful in finding an intern.</i>
Canada Summer Jobs	Funding received to support wages for two summer student positions (1-Public Works and 1- Museum)	\$ 3,360	50% funded
Young Canada Works	Funding received to support wages one museum student position.	\$ 5,398.57	75% funded

Summer Experience Program	Funding received to support wages for three summer student positions (1- Marina and 1-Museum)	\$ 7,316	Municipality covered any additional wages above funding amounts.
Municipal Asset Management Program-Federation of Canadian Municipalities	Financial support to hire and provide training for an Asset Management Coordinator position for the duration of a year.	\$ 35,287.54	90% funded
New Horizons for Seniors	Financial support to host a series of workshops/events geared towards serving senior community members.	\$ 5,600	100% funded
Community Museum Operating Grant	Financial support to help support the operating costs of the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah. Funding is applied for on an annual basis.	\$ 9,105	*Funding received is based on an allocation formula to support the Museum's operational costs.
<b>TOTAL FUNDING RECEIVED IN 2019</b>		<b>\$ 3,567,032.31</b>	



# Michael Mantha

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July 13, 2021

To all Mayors & Fire Chiefs of Algoma-Manitoulin

Dear Honourable Mayors and Fire Chiefs,

You may recall that last January I sent a letter to Solicitor General Sylvia Jones in which I raised the concerns that many of you shared with me regarding the closure of the Ontario Fire Training College in Gravenhurst. After six months, I have finally received a response from the Solicitor General. For your information you will find enclosed a copy of the Solicitor General's response as well as a copy of my original letter to her.

As you will read, unfortunately, the Solicitor General's response does not in any way address the multiple issues raised in the initial letter, nor does it explain how this new directive will in any way improve or enhance firefighter training for smaller rural municipalities and local service boards here in Northern Ontario.

As noted previously, the Ontario government chose not to consult with municipal leaders and Fire Chiefs on the front lines across the province. Now, even after sharing this perspective with the Solicitor General, there continues to be no real engagement on addressing the many concerns.

I would greatly appreciate your feedback on the attached response from the Solicitor General as well as any comments or suggestions on how to move forward on this issue.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to receiving your thoughts on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Michael Mantha  
MPP/député  
Algoma-Manitoulin  
MM: gb

Copy to: Kevin Yarde, NDP Community Safety Critic

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July 12, 2021

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132-2021-1324  
By email

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Dear MPP Mantha:

Thank you for your correspondence expressing concerns about the closure of the Ontario Fire College (OFC) Gravenhurst campus. I apologize for the delay in responding.

On January 13, 2021, the government of Ontario announced its plan to transform and modernize fire safety training across the province. As part of this plan, the Office of the Fire Marshal will deliver fire safety training through a combination of in-person training at regional training centres, online courses, the introduction of mobile live fire training and through contracts with individual fire departments.

Ontario's fire services are unique and their composition differs across the province. To better serve the varied and evolving needs of fire services across the province, the Office of the Fire Marshal has developed a regional training model to expand access and provide local training to ensure that firefighters can count on the support and resources they need to keep Ontarians safe.

Currently, the province works with 21 Regional Training Centres, and this number will continue to grow so that more fire departments are located within close proximity of training centres. At the same time, enhancements to online learning, the introduction of mobile live fire training and the ability to bring training in house to local fire services will ensure that the OFC continues to deliver consistent quality training across Ontario.

On March 4, 2021, additional information was provided to both fire chiefs and municipal councils on the OFC training options available as part of this ongoing modernization. This Fire Marshal's Communiqué ensures that both municipal councils and fire chiefs are aware of the different training modes available to them to meet their departments' needs.

**Manitoulin Centennial Manor  
Board of Management Meeting  
June 17, 2021  
(unapproved)**

**Present via teleconference:**

Pat MacDonald, Hugh Moggy, Dawn Orr, Dan Osborne, Mary Jane Lenihan, Art Hayden, Keith Clement (Extending Regional Director), Tracy Lamirande (Acting Administrator), Sylvie Clarke, (DOC)

Guest: Tom Sassvary (Manitoulin Expositor)

**1.0 Call to order**

- 1.1 Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Board Chair, Pat MacDonald.

**2.0 Approval of Agenda**

- 2.1 Motion put forward to approve the agenda  
2.2 *Moved: Orr*                      *Seconded: Osborne*                      *Carried*

**3.0 Approval of Minutes**

- 3.1 Motion put forward to approve the minutes  
3.2 *Moved: Moggy*                      *Seconded: Lenihan*                      *Carried*

**4.0 Business Arising from Minutes**

- 4.1 Bellamy and company working hard on our behalf; very happy to say that we have hired a full time Administrator for the Manor  
4.2 Panel team who interviewed were unanimous in their decision  
4.3 Proposal that employment contract will commence on 12-July-2021  
4.4 Motion put forward by Board Chair to hire Don Cook as the Full time Administrator  
4.5 *Moved: Orr*                      *Seconded: Moggy*                      *Carried*  
4.6 Will notify the Staff at the Manor of the success in recruiting  
4.7 Interview this week coming up for a Dietary Manager

**5.0 Correspondence**

- 5.1 MLTC Report – Tracy asked to brief the Board regarding outcome of MLTC Visit.  
Overall a very good report. Non-compliance issued in the areas of plan of care/falls policy, resident hand and air temperature monitoring. Written notices and VPCs have been issued. No requirement to formally provide correction plan to MLTC.  
Action plan being drafted  
5.2 Thank you card from Julie Omnet thanking the board for the purchase of a television  
5.3 Motion put forward to accept this report for Correspondence  
5.4 *Moved: Hayden*                      *Seconded: Lenihan*                      *Carried*

**6.0 Administrator's Report**

- 6.1 Refer to attached Administrator Report  
6.2 Motion put forward to accept the Administrator's Report as presented by Tracy Lamirande  
6.3 *Moved: Osborne*                      *Seconded: Moggy*                      *Carried*

## **7.0 Extending Financial Report**

- 7.1 HST rebate applied creating an underspend situation. MCM was advantaged by this in 2020. Home continues to be in a very positive and strong financial situation. Favourable variance of close to \$140,000 to the positive.
- 7.2 Unexpected recruiting fees
- 7.3 Portable air conditioners for every room thanks to MLTC available capital funding.
- 7.4 Continuing to work on the Capital Projects list. Next priority to be determined as we on-board the new Administrator allowing us to continue the momentum that our current DOC and past Administrator had built.
- 7.5 Temporary Wage Enhancement has been approved until the end of August.
- 7.6 We continue to receive pandemic funding from the Province.
- 7.7 A question was asked regarding the vaccine status of residents and staff in the home and an update was provided by the DOC. Keith stated that the numbers are very good.
- 7.8 Motion put forward to accept the Financial Report as Presented by Keith Clement and that we approve the Financial Statements from May 2021 as received.
- 7.9 *Moved: Orr*      *Seconded: Moggy*      *Carried*

## **8.0 Capital Items**

- 8.1 Tracy discussed with Administrator Report.
- 8.2 Can review when Don is onboarded.

## **9.0 Fundraising Update**

- 9.1 Will review when Don is onboarded.
- 9.2 Peggy has updated.
- 9.3 Tree of life 14171.79
- 9.4 Courtyard Grant New Horizons 25000 – 39171.71 added to the fundraising account.
- 9.5 Dining Room Improvements suggested as a potential area for improvement
- 9.6 Wendy to attend in person
- 9.7 Motion put forward to accept the fundraising report as presented
- 9.8 *Moved: Lenihan*      *Seconded: Orr*      *Carried*

## **10.0 Meeting Date**

- 10.1 The next regular meeting will be July 15, 2021 at 10:00 AM by teleconference.
- 10.2 There will be no meeting in month of August 2021.
- 10.3 Motion to not meet forwarded
- 10.4 *Moved: Osborne*      *Seconded: Moggy*      *Carried*

## **11.0 In Camera Session**

- 11.1 Motion put forward to go in camera
- 11.2 *Moved: Moggy*      *Seconded: Osborne*      *Carried*
- 11.3 Discussion ensued regarding recruiting activities, use of recruiting company, signing bonuses, specifying exact recruiting amounts, consideration given to whether the board wanted to put this into policy.
- 11.4 Discussion regarding decision to accept the recommendations made by Extending Assist team.
- 11.5 Interview with dietary manager coming up on Tuesday. A suggested salary range was provided in order to successfully recruit for the position.

11.6 Motion put forward to come out of in camera  
*11.7 Moved: Moggy Seconded: Orr Carried*

**12.0 Recruiting Strategies**

12.1 Motion put forward to temporarily accept recommendations made by  
Extendicare Assist with respect to referral, Retention, Relocation and Bonuses with  
regular review.

*12.2 Moved: Hayden Seconded: Osborne Carried*

**13.0 Adjournment**

13.1 Motion put forward to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

*13.2 Moved: Orr Seconded: Carried*