

AGENDA
A meeting of the Council of the Corporation
of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
to be held on Tuesday, August 24, 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 2021-46

4. New Business

- i. Request for signage – Esther Logan
- ii. Request for Noise by-law – Debbie Fox

5. Minutes and Other Reports

- i. FONOM media release
- ii. AMO Conference update
- iii. Mayor's Report

6. Adjournment

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

BY-LAW NO. 2021-46

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:

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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
24th day of August, 2021.

Al MacNevin

Mayor

Pam Cress

Clerk

**The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council meeting held Tuesday, August 17, 2021
via Zoom at 7:00p.m.**

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

ABSENT: Councillor James Ferguson

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

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

Resolution No. 231-08-2021

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: L. Cook

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

Carried

Resolution No. 232-08-2021

Moved by: A. Boyd

Seconded by: B. Wood

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 # 2021-45 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. 233-08-2021

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: B. Wood

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands proceeds "In Camera" in order to address a matter pertaining to a proposed or pending disposition or acquisition of land for municipal or local board purposes.

Carried

Resolution No. 234-08-2021

Moved by: B. Baker

Seconded by: A. Boyd

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does now Rise and Report.

Carried

Resolution No. 235-08-2021

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: B. Wood

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does now adjourn at 7:37 pm.

Carried

Al MacNevin

Mayor

Pam Cress

Clerk

From: Debbie Fox <gardenfox57@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 7:52:07 PM
To: Dave Williamson <DWilliamson@townofnemi.on.ca>
Subject: Noise

Hello Dave,

Let me introduce myself, My name is Debbie Fox.

My husband (Jim) and fur babies live at 11 Robinson Street.

We recently got new back yard neighbours at 12 Campbell St. West. They moved in about a month or so.

They have had 5 parties since moving in. Each time, they play music very loud, and have to shout at each other to over take the music. This goes on until 2 or 3 AM, if not later. Our bedroom window faces their property, and there is no way, to leave windows open to try to sleep. I did attempt to talk to them one day, either, they were not home or come to the door. Haweater weekend, I called OPP and reported loud party, and possible fireworks. Not sure fireworks were them, because of the noise level of their party. OPP drove by, and did not hear anything. Might be because, I just knew Campbell as their address, and OPP may have gone East.

This past weekend, Party started Thursday night, Then again Friday night, and then again Saturday night.

Thursday was loud.

Friday was even LOUDER! So much so, I call OPP and reported Noise complaint. Around 2 AM, music stopped. I believe OPP showed up...

About 20 minutes later, music came on again, loud, but not as loud, and before the song ended, they shut it down. I believe, someone had a change of heart.

Saturday night, music and voices were low, and there was no issue, imo...

I believe it has become time to create a Noise ByLaw. Older folks leaving, new younger folks moving in have no respect or consideration for neighbours. Please consider taking this up with Council.

Thank goodness, we have suspended our Airbnb, (Covid) our guests, would not be happy at all... In addition, I took FaceBook live videos and forwarded them to the town thru messenger, so you can hear what I heard Friday Night.

Also my little dog is frightened of loud noises, fireworks, thunder. He pants and trembles and cannot settle down. Since their loud parties, as soon as dusk sets in, we go thru this each night. Any help with this we would be grateful.

Thank you,
Debbie Fox

NEMI Council Members,

I write to you today with genuine concern for one your local neighbourhoods here in NEMI township. It is my intention is to bring attention to the excessive non local traffic issue that has developed here on White's Point. The primary concern being that of child/pedestrian safety in our neighbourhood.

White's Point Rd is a quaint and peaceful family-oriented neighborhood. It's not unlike any other neighbourhood in the community that may experience a variety of common concerns/issues. Whether its maintenance related and or safety/security interests, a healthy neighbourhood requires attentiveness and work to maintain its desired environment. I find myself thoroughly impressed with the proud communal devotion and dedication we find here on Manitoulin and in my immediate neighbourhood.

Since living here, I am astonished at the amount of seasonal traffic we see here on the point, which is an otherwise quiet street. There is notable influx of tourists being led here by Google Maps; they are looking to get a glimpse of the Strawberry Island Lighthouse. This is an unnecessary amount of traffic searching to find access that does not exist. There is no public access from White's Point to the Strawberry Island Lighthouse as you know. These misguided travelers often come bombing down the road breaking the speed limit and putting children and local dwellers at risk. Quite often travelers come in caravans of several vehicles all at once. I have looked into this for myself and Google Maps does indeed send tourist here with its inaccurate directions. I have personally attempted to contact Google Maps so to inform them of their inaccurate map search; I have reported the error.

I live at the end of the point and adjacent to the private property believed to be an accessible trail/lookout point for Strawberry Island Lighthouse. I am obliged daily (from dusk to dawn) to have to inform tourists that the property next to me is private and that there is no access to the Strawberry Lighthouse. For the most part I'm dealing with friendly folk but strangers none the less. Sometimes it's late into the night strangers who are trekking in and alongside our property.

There are plenty of others neighbours who take issue with excessive often speedy traffic during peak season here on White's Point. Just the other day our 12-year-old dogwalker told us her father no longer allows her to walk the dogs past a certain bend in the road because of the speeding issue. Her father is right, it is not safe.

I would like to put forth a simple request for resolution, that the committee consider erecting a sign right at the corner of Hwy 6 and White's Point Rd.

The sign might state something along the lines that there is No Public Access to Water/No Access to Strawberry Island Lighthouse.

We're just looking to keep our community a safe place to play for our children and adults alike!

If need be, I could easily gather signatures from within our neighbourhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Esther Logan

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Media Release

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, and the Northern Ontario Service Deliverers Association jointly discussed the crisis of Homelessness, Mental Health, and the Opioid Crisis with the Provincial Government. FONOM President Danny Whalen, NOMA Executive Member Rick Dumas, and NOSDA Vice-Chair Mark King shared with the seven Provincial Minister, Associate Minister, and a Parliamentary Assistant the experiences in our communities during the Annual AMO Conference. The Municipal organizations believe the three topics are intertwined, and our presentation clarified that to the ministries. Danny Whalen commented, *“this was the first time our three Organizations have collaborated on any issue,”* and *“with the impact these issues are having in our communities, working together is imperative.”*

The organizations appreciate the efforts, of all the agencies working to help and support those addicted to opioids. In some districts, over 30 agencies are providing some assistance. But we would like to see more coordination with Municipalities/DSSAB’s or consolidation of these agencies with the input of Municipalities/DSSAB’s and local stakeholders. As we believe, a streamlined agency would be able to put the combined funds to better use. We hope these agencies would willingly work this out between themselves. Danny Whalen commented, *“But if not, we would ask that our local Ontario Health Teams, in consultation with Municipalities/DSSAB’s and local stakeholders, support a province-wide strategy that supports such consolidation.”*

Mayor Dumas shared, *“The province must apply a rural and northern lens and work in collaboration with ministries to construct a plan for affordable and supportive housing”* and asked, *“for the province to develop a housing strategy for the North and capital funding to address the shortage of affordable housing.”*

Councillor King thanked the Province for the significant commitment this government has made in allocating 3.8 billion dollars over the next ten years. But the organizations called on the Province to take an all of government approach, to manage and find made in the North solutions to the Mental Health and Addictions Crisis. They called on the Premier to establish a Northern Ontario Joint Partnership table to manage the Mental Health and Addictions Crisis in Northern Ontario. King commented, *“we want to work with this government to ensure the right resources are put in the right communities to reach people who need the resources where they live”*, further *“above all, we ask that this government recognize municipalities and NOSDA as a partner in our collective efforts to address the growing mental health and addiction challenges.”*

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MEDIA RELEASE

FONOM had a productive meeting with members of Premier Ford's Cabinet during the AMO Conference

This is the second year that the Annual AMO Municipal Conference has been held virtually. Members of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities Board shared three policy positions with Minister Clark, Rickford, Romano, Elliott, Bethlenfalvy, Fullerton, Associate Minister Stan Cho, Parliamentary Assistant Christine Hogarth, and over 60 ministry staff were on the call. We discuss planned topics, including creating Mutual Aid agreements with Municipal Fire Departments for the help provided in unincorporated areas. As well, we shared our thoughts on the Transportation issues facing the five large Municipal airports. Also, FONOM raised the issue of add Municipal finance tools, specifically Land Transfer tax.

President Whalen commented, "the Local Fire Departments are often the only First Responder within 60 minutes of an event in an unincorporated area. The delay is due to the distances between communities and the patrols of the OPP and EMS" and "that without the creation of Mutual Aid agreements many Fire Departments will not be able to assist."

The value of the Northern Municipal Airports has often been overlooked by previous transportation studies, which may be due to the traffic volume compared to those in the GTHA. The Pandemic has harmed many industries, and airport operations have been one of those hit hardest. FONOM appreciates that airports are viewed to be under Federal jurisdiction, but we draw attention to several recent funding announcements by the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund. The FONOM Board asked the Minister of Transportation to consider a five-year project to support the five large Municipal Airports in Northern Ontario with their operating and capital budgets.

The City Toronto Act of 2006 granted Toronto broader municipal revenue tools than the other 443 municipalities. The Association of Municipalities of Ontario has long lobbied for its members the right to access them. The Toronto Act permits the City to charge and collect a Municipal Land Transfer Tax parallel with the Ontario government for all property sales, except for first-time home buyers. In 2020 the City of

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Toronto received \$800 million; this offset represents 15% of their annual revenue (page 28). This revenue tool would generate nearly \$ 2.68 Billion for the other Ontario Municipalities. Vice President Paul Schoppmann stated, “with a Province-wide municipal deficit of \$6 Billion, FONOM believes having this revenue tool would help our members to address their growing infrastructure deficit”.

FONOM is an association of some 110 districts/municipalities/cities/towns in Northeastern Ontario mandated to work for the betterment of municipal government in Northern Ontario and strive for improved legislation respecting local government in the North. It is a membership-based association that draws its members from northeastern Ontario and is governed by an 11-member board.



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