

**The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands**  
**Minutes of a Regular Council meeting held Tuesday, February 16, 2021**  
**via Zoom at 7:00p.m.**

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

**STAFF PRESENT:** David Williamson, CAO  
Heidi Ferguson, Deputy-Clerk  
Wayne Williamson, Manager of Public Works  
Reid Taylor, Manager of Community Services

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

Presentation to Gary May from Council on his retirement from the municipality.

**Resolution No. 42-02-2021**

Moved by: M. Erskine

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. 43-02-2021**

Moved by: W. Koehler

Seconded by: B. Wood

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands now reads a first, second and third time and finally passes By-Law No 2021-11 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. 44-02-2021**

Moved by: J. Ferguson

Seconded by: A. Boyd

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. 2015-32 to regulate traffic and parking in the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.

Carried

**Resolution No. 45-02-2021**

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: J. Ferguson

Whereas the POA Board of Management is concerned with the current financial status of the Provincial Offences Act-Gore Bay Services;

AND WHEREAS Gore Bay is operating at a deficit in excess of \$22,000. Which is unprecedented.

AND WHEREAS the deficit is directly attributable to the restrictions imposed by the Province as it relates to the Province's response to the COVID 19 situation;

AND WHEREAS the Province has had almost one year to find a solution to ensure the safe and continued operation of the Provincial Offences Court system in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the Province transferred the POA operation to municipalities in 2000 with the expectation that it would operate on a profit and not negatively impact the financial status of the participating municipalities

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government has provided COVID 19 grants to municipalities but not directed any of these monies to the POA Boards

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands supports the Gore Bay POA Board of Management and forwards a copy of this motion to the Premier of Ontario, Ministry of Attorney General, and local MPP's asking for action to provide financial assistance to all municipal POA Offices impacted by COVID 19.

Carried

**Resolution No. 46-02-2021**

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: W. Koehler

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands proceeds In Camera in order to address a proposed or pending disposition or acquisition of land for municipal or local board purposes and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board.

Carried

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**Resolution No. 47-02-2021**

Moved by: J. Ferguson

Seconded by: M. Erskine

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

Carried

**Resolution No. 48-02-2021**

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 7:50 pm.

Carried

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Al MacNevin            Mayor

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Heidi Ferguson        Deputy- Clerk