



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
July 12th, 2022

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Randall McLaren, Jane Lagassie

PRESENT IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS: Jason Corbett, Éric Foisy, Marc Vaillancourt

STAFF PRESENT: Andrée Gagné, Deputy-Clerk

No. 1

Moved by Councillor Lagassie
THAT this meeting be opened at 7:01 p.m.

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 2

Moved by Councillor Foisy
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held June 28th, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

Seconded by Councillor Vaillancourt

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 3

Moved by Councillor Corbett
THAT the following disbursements be approved as prepared:

Seconded by Councillor Vaillancourt

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General Government	\$76,703.35
Protection to persons & property	\$35,787.75
Health & Welfare	\$52,939.41
Public Works & Environmental Services	\$18,281.42
Parks and Recreation	\$1,661.01
Library	\$435.65
Planning & Development	\$
Economic Development	\$
Sub-Total:	<u>\$185,808.59</u>

Payroll Batch #1225 to #1227 \$28,278.67

TOTAL DISBURSEMENT: \$214,087.26

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 4

Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by Councillor Vaillancourt

WHEREAS the Ontario Amber Alert is a warning system that quickly alerts the public of a suspected abduction of children who are in imminent danger; **AND WHEREAS** the goal is to broadcast as much information about the child, the abductor and suspect vehicles as quickly as possible so that the public can respond with any relevant information that might lead to the child's safe return; **AND WHEREAS** people are encouraged to share the Amber Alert with as many people as possible. If a child or vulnerable person is abducted, spreading the information quickly is critical to their safe return; **AND WHEREAS** an Amber Alert makes the Public aware to keep an eye out for the child, vulnerable person, suspect and the vehicle described, in the alert. If they spot them, try to gather as many details as they can, including the specific location where they saw them, the time, the direction they were travelling in and any other identifying details that will help to locate them; **AND WHEREAS** an Amber Alert gives citizens instructions to call 9-1-1 or the phone number included in the alert immediately if they have a trip or a sighting related to an Amber Alert;

An Amber Alert will only be activated if:

- The police have confirmed that an abduction has taken place; and
- There is reason to believe the victim is in danger of serious physical injury, and there is information available that, if broadcast to the public, could assist in the safe recovery of the victim.

AND WHEREAS it is essential to remember that an Amber Alert is not always appropriate in every circumstance and that their continued effectiveness depends on ensuring that they are only used in cases that meet the above criteria; **AND WHEREAS** the recent tragic death of 11-year-old Draven Graham showed that the Amber Alert system is flawed when it comes to vulnerable children who can go missing but are not abducted; **AND WHEREAS** at the time this motion was written, there have been almost 90,000 citizens who had signed a petition on Change.Org requesting that a Draven Alert be created; **AND WHEREAS** it is clear that there needs to be an addition to the alert system to allow for law enforcement to send out an alert for vulnerable children who go missing under circumstances that do not involve an abduction but are at serious risk of injury or death; **THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Township of Bonfield and its Council endorse the following:

1. That the Minister of the Solicitor General and the Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police, as well as the Premier's Office, be requested to make the necessary changes to the Amber Alert system and create a new alert called the Draven Alert, which will protect vulnerable children who have not been abducted but are at high risk of danger, injury or death and alert the public that they are missing.
2. That this motion be sent to all municipalities across Ontario and the Association of the Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for endorsement.

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 5

Moved by Councillor Vaillancourt

Seconded by Councillor Lagassie

WHEREAS Debra Helm has submitted an Application for Licence to use a portion of the Shore Road Allowance on her property at 46 Lakeshore Rd to had fill at the shoreline; AND WHEREAS the Manager of Planning and Development has reviewed this application and recommends to Council to approve Debra Helm's proposal to licence a portion of the shore road allowance as per the attached application with a condition that all permits be obtained from the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority, Oceans and Fisheries and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, if required, prior to issuing the Licence; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council approves of this recommendation.

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 6

Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by Councillor Vaillancourt

WHEREAS the Manager of Planning and Development has reviewed the letter received from Natasha Murareanu and Timothy Watson regarding the raising of livestock in the Hamlet of Bonfield; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Council accepts the Manager's recommendation that these concerns be addressed during the review of the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law.

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 7

Moved by Councillor Foisy

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

WHEREAS Council deems it expedient to pass three readings of the following by-law at this session; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council from June 28th, 2022 to July 12th, 2022; BE READ a first, second and third time, PASSED AND NUMBERED 2022-29; AND THAT the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-Law Book.

Carried Randall McLaren

No. 8

Moved by Councillor Lagassie

Seconded by Councillor Vaillancourt

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Carried Randall McLaren

MAYOR

CLERK