

## **SHEBANDOWAN LOCAL SERVICES BOARD**

### **MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING**

**May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

The virtual (Zoom) meeting was called to order by Wayne Scott, the board chairperson at 7:0 pm.

The Chairperson welcomed all who were in attendance, and reminded everyone that the meeting is recorded to assist in preparing the minutes.

In attendance: Wayne Scott, Chairperson; Kathy Moshonsky, Board Member; David Bel, Board Member; Leonard (Butch) Cunningham, Board Member; Tracey Johnson, Fire Chief Linda Braun, MENDM representative; Lynn Scott, Secretary/ Treasurer; and four inhabitants from the board area. Regrets: David Harris, Board Member.

Disclosures of Interest: None

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Minutes of the previous General meeting dated March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 were reviewed by the board. No errors or omissions were noted. A motion was made that the minutes be accepted and passed on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021. Moved by David Bel, and seconded by Kathy Moshonsky. All in favour, with none opposed. Carried.

#### **SECRETARY / TREASURERS REPORT:**

Since the last meeting, the following cheques have been issued: Receiver General for radio authorization renewal, Lowery's for the printer/fax, Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge for communications share, Richard Baxter for an expense report for mileage, Minister of Finance for fire call taking and alerting, and the annual administration fee, TD Visa for a service charge, and the monthly honorariums. The monthly pre-authorized payments to Tbaytel, Hydro One and Bell Canada, as well as pre-authorized payments to Superior Propane for propane deliveries have been withdrawn.

A deposit has been received from the Minister of Finance for an MNR call-out from December 2020, and the Minister of Finance for the PLT levy. The current bank balance is \$110,471.11.

The Interim budget submission is ready, and will be mailed to Linda Braun, MENDM.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The highway signage for "Thunder Road >" was cut off. This has been reported to the MTO, and the replacement sign is on order.

Wayne Scott has been in contact with North Bay OPP regarding an issue that has been brought to our attention regarding 911 calls originating from cell phones. In this instance, the call routed to Northern 911 first, instead of the OPP. The call taker had no location data, and the caller had to give their

location, and where Shebandowan was. It appeared to the call taker as a VOIP (voice over internet) call. Tbaytel is escalating this problem internally, with their operations group. This is not the first time that Northern 911 has seen this happen.

#### **ONGOING BUSINESS:**

Fire Chief Johnson provided an update on the fire department. Since the last meeting the department has received one call-out. Fire Chief Johnson will have Kyle submit an expense report for mileage as he attended the call in his own vehicle for a downed hydro line.

The pumper was brought in for the annual service, and the OFM has completed an inventory of all the equipment at the hall. The OFM will be replacing about 80% of the fire hoses when available, but the rest of the equipment is in good shape.

Jennifer has resigned as the public education/health and safety officer. Sherry has agreed to assume this role.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The new Fire Department Fire Protection Services Agreement with the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry has just been received. It has been forwarded to the board members for their review.

In the past, this agreement has been signed by the fire department. Since the LSB owns the fire department, it has to sign the agreement. Although the agreement requires a minimum of 4 people to respond, the MNR just expects departments to do their best when responding. Since the departments are responding to brush fires in their areas, the OFM has signed off that departments can enter into these agreements with the MNR. This gives the MNR an avenue to give money to the departments for their response.

Linda Braun, MENDM, confirmed that the Fire department cannot enter into agreements because they are not a separate entity. She also confirmed that other LSBs do enter into this agreement with the MNR.

Wayne Scott asked each board member their opinion on this agreement. With everyone agreeing that it should be signed, Lynn Scott will prepare a by-law to accept for the next meeting.

#### **NEXT MEETING: General Meeting Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 7:00 pm – Virtual Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm. Motion by Kathy Moshonsky, and seconded by Leonard (Butch) Cunningham.