The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee

Special Meeting 07-20

March 27, 2020 Time: 2:00 pm Town Council Chambers

Councillors Present:

Wayne Taipale - Mayor

Staff Present:

 $Shelley\ Petten-Clerk\ Treasurer$

David Henderson – CAO Steve Crown, Fire Chief

Teleconference:

Theresa Birnie – Councillor Jack Hutchison – Councillor Carman Tozer – Councillor John Moore - Councillor

1. CALL TO ORDER

Resolution No. 20-74

Moved by: Carman Tozer Seconded by: Theresa Birnie

BE IT RESOLVED that this Special Council Meeting to discuss COVID-19 come to order at 2:10 p.m.

(Carried)

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 20-75

Moved by: John Moore Seconded by: Jack Hutchison

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be accepted as presented.

(Carried)

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

4. MOTIONS

Resolution No. 20-76

Moved by: Theresa Birnie Seconded by: Carman Tozer

WHEREAS we are deeply concerned about the health, safety and welfare of our community and neighboring communities;

AND WHEREAS Ontario Northland Railroad has instituted a wide range of steps to mitigate the potential for the spread of the COVID-19 virus;

AND WHEREAS Ontario Northland has agreed to work with willing partners to adopt additional mitigation steps such as a screening process at the Cochrane station;

AND WHEREAS the ONR Passenger service between Cochrane and Moosonee is an essential service for the residents and businesses of Moosonee and Northern Communities;

AND WHEREAS Public Transit in the Province of Ontario has been identified as an essential Service under the provincial directives currently in place under the Provincial declaration of Emergency;

AND WHEREAS minimal passenger service is critical for families, essential service personnel, essential service providers, and critical trade suppliers that keep the machinery, transformers, compressors running and our homes safe;

AND WHEREAS the ONR Passenger service is an important transportation service for area residents with camps, properties, and activities along the rail line;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Moosonee supports the ONR plans to temporarily reduce passenger service to two days per week with increased virus mitigation steps and a weekly review of the service in the context of the current emergency with community leaders and ONR management;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to forward the attached letter to the ONR outlining our position.

(Carried)

14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 20-77

Moved by: Jack Hutchison Seconded by: John Moore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned 2:35 p.m.

(Carried)

MAYOR – Wayne Taipaie

CLERK TREASURER - Shelley Petten