

# The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee

Regular Meeting 19-2022

September 27, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm

Town Council Chambers

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*Councillors Present:* Wayne Taipale – Mayor  
Theresa Birnie – Councillor  
John Moore – Councillor

*Councillors Absent:* Carman Tozer – Deputy Mayor

*Staff Present:* Shelley Petten – A/CAO  
Chantal Rheault – Deputy Clerk  
Bryan Nahrgang – Recreation Manager/CBO

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

*Resolution No. 2022-142*

*Moved by: Theresa Birnie  
Seconded by: John Moore*

*BE IT RESOLVED that this Regular Meeting come to order at 6:00 p.m.*

*(Carried)*

## 2. REVIEW OF AGENDA

*Resolution No. 2022-143*

*Moved by: John Moore  
Seconded by: Theresa Birnie*

*BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda be accepted as presented.*

*(Carried)*

## 3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

## 4. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

## 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

*Resolution No. 2022-144*

*Moved by: Theresa Birnie  
Seconded by: John Moore*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting #18-2022 of September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, as presented.*

*(Carried)*

## 6. REPORTS AND MEMO

- a. Verbal Report – Weather Station – Bryan Nahrgang*

## 7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

## 8. PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

## 9. MOTIONS

*Resolution No. 2022-145*

*Moved by: John Moore  
Seconded by: Theresa Birnie*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee approves changing the purchase of a new compressor to*

*purchasing 3 new hot water tanks for the Compressor Plant at the Moosonee Arena funded under the Capital Reserve Fund.*

*(Carried)*

**Resolution No. 2022-146**

**Moved by: John Moore  
Seconded by: Theresa Birnie**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee cancel the regular meeting being held on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and reschedule it for October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

*(Carried)*

**Resolution No. 2022-147**

**Moved by: Theresa Birnie  
Seconded by: John Moore**

**WHEREAS**, the Electoral Boundary Commission has proposed to remove one of the electoral ridings from Northern Ontario; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal to diminish Northern Ontario's voice in Parliament will have a detrimental effect on participatory democracy and regional development as the issues in Northern Ontario are significantly different than the issues facing the urban south; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Boundary Commission proposal to cut representation in the north is contrary to the 2017 electoral boundary changes for Ontario that recognized the need to add two seats to ensure fair participation for northern residents; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the existing ridings in Northern Ontario are already larger than many European countries, a situation that will only be worsened by the addition of massively new regions to service; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed new super ridings will force municipalities to compete for a limited amount of riding funding which will further exacerbate inequities in the north; and

**WHEREAS**, Northern Ontario's population per riding is already much higher than many other rural and isolated regions in Canada's north; and

**WHEREAS**, the courts have ruled that representation in Canada's democracy is not based merely on population but on regions of interest and the right of citizens to engage with their elected representatives; and

**WHEREAS**, any changes to electoral boundaries should be based on the principles of maintaining communities of interest within boundaries that are equitable in terms of population and geography

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Council calls on the Electoral Boundary Commission to maintain the electoral representation of Northern Ontario and ensure that any boundary changes are done in a manner that responds to regional and local needs.

*(Carried)*

## 10. READING OF BY-LAWS

**Resolution No. 2022-148**

**Moved by: John Moore  
Seconded by: Theresa Birnie**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee approves By-law #20-2022 being a by-law to authorize entering into a Memorandum of Understanding between Parham United Church, Friends of the North-Misiway, and The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee being read a first and second time; be deemed to be read a third time, and finally passed.

*(Carried)*

**12. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES/DISCUSSION**

a. *Support for dredging the river – WAHA*

**13. CLOSED SESSION**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

*Resolution No. 2022-149*

*Moved by: Theresa Birnie*

*Seconded by: John Moore*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 6:28 p.m.*

*(Carried)*

  
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*MAYOR – Wayne Taipale*

  
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*DEPUTY CLERK – Chantal Rheault*