



## MINUTES

### BLIND RIVER TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

April 15, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

PRESENT: S. HAGMAN  
P. SUMMERS  
B. DUNBAR  
J. DUNBAR  
J. POSTERARO  
K. WHITLOCK  
K. SCOTT, CAO/CLERK  
P. WALSH, DEPUTY CLERK  
C. ZAGAR, DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE  
SERVICES (departed at 6:02 p.m.)  
R. BELAIR, DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES  
(departed at 6:02 p.m.)

REGRETS: D. MIDDGAUGH

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hagman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

#### 3. MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS

#### 4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OF INTEREST

4.1 D. Middaugh - April 9, 2024. Cameco Corporation, RE: Cameco Cares Day 2024.

Employer

4.2 J. Posteraro - April 2, 2024. Algoma District School Board, RE: GRAD Survival Day 2024

Employment with WC Eaket SS.

**5. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

24-123

**MOVED BY:** P. Summers

**SECONDED BY:** J. Dunbar

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 2, 2024, as presented." **CARRIED**

**6. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

6.1 April 9, 2024. Ben Wiesner, Shirvon Playground

B. Wiesner requested Council delay the decommissioning of the Shirvon Park until additional information could be provided from the subdivision residents.

Council requested B. Wiesner present a report to Council at the May 21, 2024 regular meeting.

**7. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

7.1 Treasurer, RE: 2024 Annual Repayment Limit

**8. SERVICE DELIVERY STATUS**

**9. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS**

9.1 Community Services, April 11, 2024

9.1.1 Council Direction: Pickleball Fees

24-124

**MOVED BY:** J. Posteraro

**SECONDED BY:** B. Dunbar

"WHEREAS Council has prioritized seniors initiatives, accessibility, inclusive activities, maximizing facilities, and community-driven initiatives, as well as implementing user fees as per Blind River's Service Delivery Review; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledge and accept the fee of \$49.76 plus HST per player for the 2024 season for the use of the indoor

pickleball courts located within The Blind River Community Centre on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. excluding holidays, to align with the stick and puck fee currently in place."

**CARRIED**

## 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10.1 Director of Facilities & Community Services, RE: Senior of the Year Award

24-125

**MOVED BY:** K. Whitlock

**SECONDED BY:** P. Summers

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve The Senior of the Year Award nomination process as presented." **CARRIED**

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE - ACTION

11.1 April 2, 2024. Algoma District School Board, RE: GRAD Survival Day 2024

J. Posteraro declared a conflict on this item. (Employment with WC Eaket SS)

Councillor Posteraro departed.

24-126

**MOVED BY:** P. Summers

**SECONDED BY:** J. Dunbar

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Algoma District School Board GRAD Survival Day 2024 with a donation of \$xx."

	<b>YEA</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Conflict</b>
S. Hagman	X		
P. Summers		X	
B. Dunbar		X	
J. Dunbar*	X		
J. Posteraro			X

K. Whitlock

X

**DEFEATED**

- 11.2 April 8, 2024. Community Days 2024 Committee, RE:  
Significant Municipal Event

24-127

**MOVED BY:** P. Summers

**SECONDED BY:** B. Dunbar

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Blind River Community Days Committee to host a Beer Garden event at the Town Park on July 13, 2024 for Community Days 2024; AND THAT Community Days be recognized as a Significant Municipal Event.”

**CARRIED**

- 11.3 April 8, 2024. Minister of Environment, RE: Provincial Day of Action on Litter, May 14 2024

24-128

**MOVED BY:** J. Posteraro

**SECONDED BY:** K. Whitlock

"WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is hosting a Provincial Day of Action on Litter on May 14, 2024;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council declare May 14, 2024 as Litter Cleanup Day in Blind River." **CARRIED**

- 11.4 April 9, 2024. Cameco Corporation, RE: Cameco Cares Day 2024

D. Middaugh declared a conflict on this item. (Employer)

24-129

**MOVED BY:** B. Dunbar

**SECONDED BY:** P. Summers

“WHEREAS Cameco has identified June 6, 2024 as their Annual ‘Cameco Cares Day’;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the CAO/Clerk to provide a project list to Cameco Corporation for their ‘Cameco Cares Day’;

AND THAT the Community Centre be made available for Cameco employees to hold their breaks and lunch hour.”

**CARRIED**

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATION**

- 12.1 April 2, 2024. Maamwesying Ontario Health Team, RE: Maamwesying Ontario Health Team and Algoma Public Health Sign Collaboration Agreement
- 12.2 April 3, 2024. Algoma District Services Administration Board, RE: Board Minutes February 22, 2024
- 12.3 April 2, 2024. PUC Services, RE: Blind River DWS Annual & Summary Report 2023

## **13. NOTICES OF MOTION**

## **14. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

- 14.1 By-Law #24-25. Tax Rates 2024

24-130

**MOVED BY:** P. Summers

**SECONDED BY:** J. Posteraro

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-25, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Blind River to set tax ratios, fix the tax rates and to provide for the levy and collection of municipal and education taxes for the year 2024, was passed in open Council this 15th day of April, 2024."

**CARRIED**

- 14.2 By-Law #24-26. Agreement, Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation

24-131

**MOVED BY:** K. Whitlock

**SECONDED BY:** J. Posteraro

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-26, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Blind River to Authorize the Municipality to enter into an Agreement with His Majesty the

King in right of Ontario, represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario, related to the funding provided by the Province of Ontario, under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program, was passed in open Council this 15th day of April, 2024."

**CARRIED**

14.3 By-Law #24-27. Agreement, CityLogix Inc., StreetScan Service

24-132

**MOVED BY:** J. Dunbar

**SECONDED BY:** B. Dunbar

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-27, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Blind River to Authorize the Municipality to enter into an Agreement with Citylogix, was passed in open Council this 15th day of April, 2024."

**CARRIED**

14.4 By-Law #24-28. Agreement, Visitor Centre Sidewalk Improvements

24-133

**MOVED BY:** J. Dunbar

**SECONDED BY:** J. Posteraro

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-28, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Blind River to Authorize the Municipality to enter into an Agreement with 823292 Ontario Ltd o/a JI Enterprises for the Visitor Centre Sidewalk Improvement Project, was passed in open Council this 15th day of April, 2024."

**CARRIED**

14.5 By-Law #24-29. Amend Traffic By-Law 21-67

24-134

**MOVED BY:** K. Whitlock

**SECONDED BY:** B. Dunbar

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-28, being a By-law of the

Corporation of the Town of Blind River to amend By-law 21-67, Traffic By-Law, was passed in open Council this 15th day of April, 2024." **CARRIED**

14.6 By-Law 24-30. Fortification By-Law

24-135

**MOVED BY:** J. Posteraro

**SECONDED BY:** J. Dunbar

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-30, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Blind River to adopt the Fortification By-Law, was passed in open Council this 15th day of April, 2024." **CARRIED**

**15. COUNCIL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**16. ADDENDUM**

**17. CLOSED SESSION**

24-136

**MOVED BY:** K. Whitlock

**SECONDED BY:** P. Summers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into "Closed Meeting" at 6:43 p.m. in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act in order to address matters pertaining to:

-personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; Personnel

-litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, Legal Matters."

**CARRIED**

24-137

**MOVED BY:** P. Summers

**SECONDED BY:** K. Whitlock

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council resume open meeting at 8:36 p.m."

**CARRIED**

**18. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Hagman noted that Council discussed matters related to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and personnel and matters related to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board.

**19. CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

24-138

**MOVED BY:** B. Dunbar

**SECONDED BY:** J. Dunbar

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the Mayor and CAO/Clerk to sign By-law #24-31, being a By-law of the Corporation of the Town of Blind River to Adopt the Minutes of the Meeting of April 15, 2024, was passed in open Council this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024."

**CARRIED**

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

24-139

**MOVED BY:** J. Dunbar

**SECONDED BY:** J. Posteraro

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn at 8:37 p.m." **CARRIED**

**21. READING FILE INFORMATION**

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MAYOR

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CAO/CLERK