



**Municipality of Mississippi Mills**

**SPECIAL COUNCIL AGENDA**

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020, 2:00 p.m.**

**E-participation**

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**A. CALL TO ORDER (1:30 p.m.)**

**B. CONSIDERATION OF A CLOSED SESSION**

1. Department Structure and Staffing - personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (*Municipal Act s 239 (b)*)
2. Commemorative Naming - personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (*Municipal Act s 239 (b)*)

**C. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Council minutes dated June 2, 2020

Pages 6-11

**F. DELEGATION, DEPUTATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS REPORTS**

1. Howard Allan, Allan & Partners Chartered Accountants,  
Re: 2019 Audited Financial Statements

Pages 12-89

Recommendation:

That the deputation by Howard Allan, Allan Partners Chartered Accountants re: 2019 Audited Financial Statements be received;

And that Council accept and approve the 2019 Audited Financial Statements for the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills.

**G. REPORTS**

**Building and Planning**

1. Building Permit Fee Report 2019

Pages 90-100

Recommendation:

That Council receive the 2019 Building Permit Fee Report for information.

2. Animal Control By-Law – Amendment to Permit Hens Pages 101-113

Recommendation:

That Council direct staff to bring forward an amendment to the current Animal Control By-law to permit the keeping of hens in defined settlement areas.

**Roads and Public Works**

3. Access Agreement for the Mill Workers Stairs Pages 114-115

Recommendation:

That Council authorize staff to enter into agreements with Lanark County and Mississippi River Power Corporation for the purposes of allowing construction and long term access for the extension of the Riverwalk including the Mill Workers Stairs.

And that Council authorize staff to enter into an agreement with a private property owner to allow long term access across the property owners private bridge for the purposes of the extension of the Riverwalk.

4. 2020 Wild Parsnip Management Program Spring Observations Pages 116-122

Recommendation:

That Council accept the Environmental Compliance Coordinator's 2020 Wild Parsnip Management Program Spring Observations report for information purposes.

**Finance and Administration**

5. Budget Impacts of Excluded Expenses Per Ontario Regulation 284/09 Page123-126

Recommendation:

That Council accept the report prepared by the Treasurer regarding Excluded Expenses as required by the Municipal Act, 2001, O. Reg. 284/09.

6. 2021 Budget Schedule and Process Pages 127-131

Recommendation:

That Council approve Option 2-enhanced community engagement, a September target start date, and a December target approval date as the 2021 budget schedule and process.

7. Return to In-Person Council Meetings and Live Streaming Pages 132-136

Recommendation:

That Council direct staff to proceed with Option 1 to set up livestreaming solutions for the resumption of Council and Committee of the Whole meetings in August;

And that Council approve single sourcing livestreaming and meeting management software solutions to eScribe for \$24,800.00;

And that Council direct Staff to bring forward an amendment to the Procedural By-law to permit e-participation of Council meetings as outlined in Option 3.

8. Interim Report #6 on Financial Implications of COVID-19 Pages137-145

Recommendation:

That Council receive the interim report on financial implications of COVID-19 as information.

9. Procedural By-Law Review Pages 146-147

Recommendation:

That Council direct staff to bring forward a more fulsome review of the Procedural By-law in January 2021;

And that Council approve extending Councillor John Dalgity as Committee of the Whole Chair until January 31, 2021.

10. Amendments to Delegated Authority By-law Pages 148-153

Recommendation:

That Council adopt a by-law to amend the Delegated Authority By-law 13-18 to set an upper limit of \$100,000 on the authority of the Chief Administrative Officer to approve the award of tenders/quotes for goods and services;

And that Council adopt a by-law to amend the Procurement Policy By-law 18-14 to require a report to Council.

**Other/New Business Items**

## 11. Support for AMO'S Board of Directors Nomination

Recommendation:

That Mississippi Mills Council support the nomination of Mayor Christa Lowry for Director to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Board of Directors Rural Caucus for the 2020-2022 term.

## 12. Support for Rural Broadband Access

Page 154-156

Recommendation:

Whereas in December 2016 the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission declared broadband internet an essential service for Canadians;

And Whereas access to internet in many rural communities in Ontario is limited or non-existent;

And Whereas current broadband investment projects across Ontario will still leave many residents unserved;

And whereas the COVID-19 pandemic has underscored the digital divide leaving many rural residents unable to participate in e-commerce, online schooling, are unable to move businesses online or access healthcare and other services online;

And Whereas communities and municipalities are developing economic recovery plans;

And Whereas there may be potential federal and provincial funding for shovel-ready infrastructure programs to kick-start the economy;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Municipality of Mississippi Mills calls on the provincial and federal governments to include rural broadband investment as part of the economic recovery shovel-ready projects for municipalities;

And That Council direct staff to circulate this resolution to the Prime Minister of Canada; the Federal Minister of Rural Economic Development; the Federal Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry; the Federal Minister of Economic Development; the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities; the Federal Minister of Health; the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs; the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries; the Minister of Education; the Minister of Infrastructure; and all Ontario Municipalities; the Association of Rural Municipalities of Ontario; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and The Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

### 13. AMO Delegation Request

Recommendation:

That Council direct staff to submit delegation requests for the upcoming AMO conference.

### 14. MRPC Dividend Payment

Pages 157-161

Recommendation:

That Council acknowledge receipt of MRPC's 2019 dividend payment of \$225,000.00

## H. BY-LAWS

That By-laws 20-049 – 20-051 be taken as read, passed, signed and sealed in Open Council.

By-law 20-049 Council Remuneration By-law (Repeals 19-07) Pages 162-163

By-law 20-050 Amendment to Delegated Authority (Amends 13-18) Page 164

By-law 20-051 Amendment to Procurement Policy (Amends 18-14) Page 165

## I. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW – 20-052

## J. ADJOURNMENT