REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
#07-2026

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Office Building,
Vermilion Bay, Ontario on Monday, April 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance:

Present: Gord Griffiths, Mayor
Tony Blair, Councillor
Greg Swanson, Councillor
Dennis Peterson, Councillor
Ray Pilkey, Councillor
Tammy Rob, Clerk Treasurer
Max Nagy, Economic Development Officer
Dan Robinson, Deputy Fire Chief
Gerry Roulston, Public Works Working Foreman

Absent: None

Gallery: Robin Gagne, Garry Parkes, Steve Young

1. Call to Order:

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor G. Griffiths at 6:32 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1
MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor T. Blair
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council meeting of Monday, April 13th, 2026, be accepted as prepared. **CARRIED**

3. Declaration of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest:

None declared.

4. Delegation(s):

Jeff Moreau – Jan 7,2026 a stone from a Ricci Trucking Truck broke Marianne's windshield on Detour point road by Townline Road. They called insurance and Ricci Trucking. Jeff was directed by Ricci to speak with Dryden Forest Management who had the contact for the gravel. DFM says Machin agreed to graveling with pit run on the detour road. Material was not to spec for the road. Steve Young from Dryden Forest Management (phone) discussed doing Townline Road with same material as detour. Municipal Road uses sand. Steve stated the concern is for the Workers and people using the road. When Steve was approached first, it was Townline road. Jeff emailed Steve that Detour point road and it was pit run all winter. Steve's crew were running sand out of pit. Jeff would like the deductible of $500 paid. Jeff left email chain printouts for Council.

5. Notice of Motions

6. Approval of Previous Minutes:

6.1 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 2**
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes #06-2026 held March 23rd, 2026 as presented. **CARRIED**

7. Unfinished Business:

None

8. Committee/Officer Reports:

8.1 Fire Department Report for March 2026
RESOLUTION NUMBER 3
MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
THAT Machin Council accept the March 2026 Fire Department Report as presented.
Dan Robinson gave a verbal report. Total of Eight calls in March including 4 along the Highways. Machin is only receiving calls when life threatening. For Tonydome, Tasha has Dan's phone number to call if needed. Dryden Ambulance may be tied up elsewhere. For Electric Vehicle fires, it is not good to use the blankets to fight the fires. Blanket traps the chemicals under it and can cause an explosion. Dan is away for training this Saturday to the States.
DISCUSSION

8.2 Finance and Administration Report for March 2026
RESOLUTION NUMBER 4
MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor T. Blair
THAT Machin Council approve of accepting the Finance and Administration March 2026 Report Budget Report/Monthly Cheque Register as presented. **CARRIED**

Report attached to original Minutes.

8.3 Economic Development Report – Verbal

Max Nagy, EDO, gave Machin Council a verbal report on the various projects he has been working on.
Eagle River Rink – Jon Smitt will provide drawings for finishing deck to confirm. There is $6000 left in grant.
Happy Go lucky Senior Center – Jon Smitt would be interested in doing the work on sidewalk and shed. He will contact Max further. There is $13,500 left in grant.
Enhancing Access Spaces for Everyone Grant – It is for making places more accessible. It will cover up 100 % up to $60,000. Max contacted Blue Imp for accessible playground ground surface. It is very expensive and $60,000. Needs concrete floor then the accessible surface installed on top. Suggestion to make Pine Tree Pathways more accessible e.g. widen, lighting, benches, sturdier. Suggestion to make Woodland Arena wheelchair accessible to come in the front . This might be too much money.
OTF Bus Grant- New bus could be $200,000. Grant would be $100,000. This grant does not usually fund current services. It may qualify by opening up new stops such as Waldhof or Red Lake Road. Eagle Lake First Nation would be too far off highway. This is on-going grant.

8.3 Economic Development Report – Verbal cont'd

Community Emergency Preparedness Grant – Our application was declined for Emergency medical services tents and other items.
OTIF – Grow Grant – We were declined which is a similar grant to the Seed Grant.
Max created a Business list for Tammy and Tasha for fundraising for Ice Plant, roughly 60 business from Kenora to Dryden that use our services.
Reminder about Volunteer Selection- Do a 2024&2025 event.
Projectors from Grant – Program is $800 that is higher than last year. Projectors are not working. Max is in contact with company to get them running and then will look at yearly contract.
Pickleball Group would like to do corn hole night at Eagle River Rec Centre. Group would like Machin to purchase 8 sets of equipment out of Revitalization funds to be split between the Bay and Eagle River.
Revitalization Letter- reply letter will be made.
JML might postponed looking over Cascade Bridge due to snow and weather. They will let us know. Signs are being made with dates.

8.4 Joint Health and Safety Committee February 18th, 2026 Minutes

RESOLUTION NUMBER 5
MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
THAT Machin Council accept the Joint Health and Safety Committee February 18th, 2026 minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

9. New Business:

9.1 JML Engineering Quote for the Bi-Annual South Minnitaki Bridge and Roussin Road Bridge Inspections

RESOLUTION NUMBER 6
MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council approve of accepting the JML Engineering Quote for the Bi-Annual South Minnitaki Bridge and Roussin Road Bridge Inspections of $7,600.00 plus HST. **CARRIED**

9.2 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 7**
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
THAT Machin Council approve of transferring the following amounts from the 2025 budget under expenditures and donations to reserve accounts and reserve fund accounts:

Municipal Office	$14,134.00	NORDS	$71,358.23
Seniors Bus Fund	$9,570.00	Fire Trust Fund	$37,509.00
OCIFA (Roads)	$124,388.00	Monument Care	$500.00
Clinic	$250.00	Clinic Building	$3,000.00
Arena	$450.00	Perpetual Care	$1,570.00
Seniors Building	$2,400.00	Arena Labour	$2,500.00
Fire	$3,157.00	Revitalization	$7,625.00

CARRIED

10. Information

None

11. In Camera

None

12. By-laws:

12.1 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 8**
MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
THAT Machin Council approve **By-Law 16-2026** - Being a By-law of The Corporation of the Municipality of Machin to Enter into an Agreement with Ministry of Transportation for the funding allocation of the 2026 Gas Tax Program as per attached Schedule A.
CARRIED

12.2 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 9**
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
THAT Machin Council approve **BY-LAW 17-2026 -** Being a By-law of The Corporation of the Municipality of Machin to Enter into an Agreement with Minister of the Solicitor General on behalf of the Ontario Provincial Police for the provision of Primary PSAP Services effective January 1, 2025 as per attached Schedule A. **CARRIED**

12.3 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 10**
MOVED BY: Councillor T. Blair
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council approve **BY-LAW 18-2026 -** Being a By-law of The Corporation of the Municipality of Machin to Enter into into an Agreement with Ontario Health North West for Notice and Extension of Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement as per attached schedule A. **CARRIED**

12.3 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 11**
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
SECONDED BY: Councillor T. Blair
THAT Machin Council approve **By-Law 19-2026** - Being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 13th day of April, 2026. **CARRIED**

13. Adjourn:
RESOLUTION NUMBER 12
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
THAT Machin Council approve of adjourning @ 7:40p.m. **CARRIED**

THE CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF MACHIN

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Gord Griffiths, Mayor

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Tammy Rob, Clerk Treasurer