REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
#05-2026

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Office Building,
Vermilion Bay, Ontario on Monday, March 9, 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

Absent: None

Gallery: Robin Gagnon, Garry Parkes, Jeff Moreau

1. Call to Order:

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor G. Griffiths at 6:50 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, March 9th, 2026, be accepted as prepared. **CARRIED**

3. Declaration of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest:

None declared.

4. Delegation(s):

None

5. Notice of Motions

6. Approval of Previous Minutes:

6.1 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 2**
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
SECONDED BY: Councillor T. Blair
THAT Machin Council accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes #04-2026 held February 23rd, 2026 as presented. **CARRIED**

7. Unfinished Business:

7.1 Spring Road Clean Up

Idea brought up for office staff/public works subcommittee taking over the lead for organization, registration, safety sheet, supply garbage bags. Pros and cons about doing it on Saturday or during week. Greg is willing to learn from Ray about the process. Messenger ad should be written to let public know what's happening.

DISCUSSION

7.2 Ontario Housing Authority

Council agreed for Lawyer to represent the Municipality for this case. The lawyer costs would be split with six other municipalities. MPP and MP cannot be involved once it is a court case. **DISCUSSION**

8. Committee/Officer Reports:

8.1 Fire Department Report for February 2026

RESOLUTION NUMBER 3

MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council accept the February 2026 Fire Department Report as presented.

Dan Robinson gave a verbal report. *It was a fairly slow month. Minor accidents happened but police didn't call for assistance. Some times it's 3 calls in 3 days. Attended the Bee Lake vehicle fire. We held 2 practises, 2 members finished on line course. Started to spend the EV grant-equipment for trucks. Drone is here. Todd is getting the Licence. Machin would like him to fly over Eagle River Recreation Center roof to assess condition. Volunteers were at Drag Races. Dan is going on lot of courses in April.* **DISCUSSION**

8.2 Finance and Administration Report for February 2026

RESOLUTION NUMBER 4

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor T. Blair

THAT Machin Council approve of accepting the Finance and Administration February 2026 Report Budget Report/Monthly Cheque Register as presented. **CARRIED**

Report attached to original Minutes. Budget is being worked on this week with Gerry. Maybe talk with staff on Monday.

8.3 Economic Development Report – Verbal

Max Nagy, EDO, gave Machin Council a verbal report on the various projects he has been working on.
OFT capital Grant - Applied for $140,000 towards ice plant. We will hear about it in July.
Sponsorship letter – Max asked Council about dollar amounts for levels of sponsorship and amounts will be adjusted. Max will put on letterhead and send to Tammy.
NWMO – Max contacted NWMO for donation/sponsorship but they do not cover capital projects. They might do donation.
Happy-Go-Lucky Building – Grant already approved for cement work. Still looking for contractor.
Eagle River Recreation Center – Discussed possibly applying for grant for Windows, paint, baseboards, trim, roof, new heating system could be done. 90/10 funding if approved thru NOFHC. It is an ongoing grant so we could apply next year.

8.3 Economic Development Report – Verbal cont'd
Co-op video- Economic Development Committee completed the co-op video. It had a lot of views on Facebook.
MTO- Jeff Cook is aware the wrong population is on the Vermilion Bay sign. It will be updated after new census.

8.4 Joint Health and Safety Committee November 19th, 2025 Minutes
RESOLUTION NUMBER 5
MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
THAT Machin Council accept the Joint Health and Safety Committee November 19th, 2025 minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

9. New Business:

9.1 The Royal Canadian Legion- Military Service Recognition Book Project
RESOLUTION NUMBER 6
MOVED BY: Councillor T. Blair
SECONDED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
THAT Machin Council approve of purchasing a black and white business card size ad for $225 in the Royal Canadian Legion- Military Service Recognition Book Project for 2026 **CARRIED**

9.2 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 7**
MOVED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council approves the changes to Policy 1.4 Remuneration of Council as follows:
1.4.3 The Honorarium amount is as follows:
Resolution # 7 – March 9 2026 – To be Effective April 1, 2026
Mayor - Council Duties per year $ 11,000.00
Deputy Mayor - Council Duties per year $ 7,400.00
Councillors - Council Duties per year $ 6,500.00
1.4.4 Meeting(s) away from the Municipality: $ 140.00 per day
$ 70.00 per half day
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 10-2026- Being a By-law that provides that the Council of a municipality may pass a By-law to submit to its electors a proposed By-law requiring their assent; and also being a By-law that provides for a question not otherwise authorized by law but within the Council's jurisdiction. **CARRIED**

12.2 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 9**
MOVED BY: Councillor T. Blair
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council approve By-Law 11-2026- A By-law to authorize the use of English in notices, forms and other information provided under the Municipal Elections Act. **CARRIED**

12.3 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 10**
MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council approve By-Law 12-2026 - Being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 9th day of March, 2026. **CARRIED**

13. Adjourn:
RESOLUTION NUMBER 11
MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
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