REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
#04-2026

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Office Building,
Vermilion Bay, Ontario on Monday, February 23, 2026 at 6:00 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

Absent: None

Gallery: Garry Parkes, Robin Gagnon

1. Call to Order:

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor G. Griffiths at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1
MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council meeting of Monday, February 23rd, 2026, be accepted as prepared. **CARRIED**
Addendum 9.7 Council Wages

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 T. Blair
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes #03-2026 held February 9th, 2026 as presented. **CARRIED**

7. Unfinished Business:

None

8. Committee/Officer Reports:

None

9. New Business:

9.1 Revitalization Committee Resignation – L Durocher

RESOLUTION NUMBER 3

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council approve the resignation of Lisa Durocher from the Machin Revitalization Committee as presented. **CARRIED**

9.2 Dissolving the Revitalization Committee

RESOLUTION NUMBER 4

MOVED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
SECONDED BY: Councillor R. Pilkey

THAT Machin Council dissolve the Machin Revitalization Committee as of February 23rd, 2026. **CARRIED**

Committee has been challenged to keep members and official capacity over the years. Monies will be put in Revitalization Committee Reserve. An article will be put in the Messenger to let the community know. Council discussed the committee's idea of putting a garbage can at Minnitaki.

9.3 Ontario Aboriginal Housing

Other Municipalities are facing same situation. Cody Fraser at Cheadles LLP is offering to represent Machin as he is for some other communities. No date for reply to Application was given. Mayor will call Greg Rickford's office to discuss the Application by Ontario Aboriginal Housing for property tax exemptions back to January 2025. **DISCUSSION**

9.4 Vermilion Bay Drinking Water System 2025 Annual Report

RESOLUTION NUMBER 5

MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson

THAT Machin Council accept the Vermilion Bay Drinking Water System 2025 Annual Report as presented. **CARRIED**

9.5 Spring Road Clean Up Day

Ray Pilkey and Mike Durocher will no longer be running the event. It is a large time commitment. Does Council want to continue with the clean up Day? Greg is willing to step up if Ray would help him with the first year. A community member to help head the project would help. Discussion will continue at the next council meeting.

DISCUSSION

9. New Business cont'd:

9.6 Public Works

Small sander for half-ton is working great. The part-time operators are going good. No new information about summer students. Waterfront parking lot should be ok to cut down the trees. Todd will bring in a machine to cut trees. Next year for the Rink figure out what is wrong with the hot water kitchen tank. Maybe the on demand system could be hooked up to the kitchen. Bring up in June. Greg will talk to Randy McGogy. Old Public Works building in Eagle River has a large door that needs repair as it's a safety issue. Building used for storage only. Frame in and get a smaller door. People are walking on roads and not giving traffic room to get by them safely. Messenger ad to be cautious and suggest reflective clothing for pedestrians. **DISCUSSION**

9.7 Council Wages

A lot of other councils in the area are raising the wages for council. Idea to make adjustment prior to new council. To be discussed next council meeting. **DISCUSSION**

10. Information

Kiiwetinoog Healing Waters Ontario Health Team
In the support letter, the amount of $25,000 is available for feasibility study for new clinic. Jennifer will submit an invoice for the amount so Machin can receive the amount.

11. In Camera

None

12. By-laws:

12.1 **RESOLUTION NUMBER 6**
MOVED BY: Councillor T. Blair
SECONDED BY: Councillor D. Peterson
THAT Machin Council approve of **BY-LAW 09-2026** -
Being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time, and FINALLY passed this 23rd day of February, 2026. **CARRIED**

13. Adjourn:
RESOLUTION NUMBER 7
MOVED BY: Councillor G. Swanson
THAT Machin Council approve of adjourning @ 7:15 p.m. **CARRIED**

THE CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF MACHIN

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Gord Griffiths, Mayor

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Tammy Rob, Clerk Treasurer