



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCE
SPECIAL MEETING
Minutes
Wednesday, April 29, 2020
5:00 p.m. – Electronic – ZOOM

**Present: Council: K. Lamming, D. Amadio, I. Chambers,
Staff: P. Greco, K. Wreggitt, S. Hemsworth, J. Boissineau
Media: M. LaHaye
Regrets: Councillors: M. Matthews, E. Palumbo**

1. **Call to Order 5:00 pm**

2. **Approve Agenda**

Resolution 2020-109

Moved by: Councillor D. Amadio

Seconded by: Councillor I. Chambers

Be it resolved that this council hereby approves the agenda for April 29, 2020, and any addendum, as presented. (cd)

3. **Disclosure of Interest**

4. **Budget Deliberations**

Resolution 2020-110

Moved by: D. Amadio

Seconded by: I. Chambers

Be it resolved that this council hereby accepts the Budget figures from the April 20, 2020 meeting for discussion. (cd)

5. **Letter to Chief Medical Officer of Health – re: Algoma Public Health & COVID-19
Transparency**

Resolution 2020-111

Moved by: Councillor I. Chambers

Seconded by: Councillor Amadio

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020, the Province of Ontario declared a state of emergency due to a pandemic caused by the spread of the deadly virus known as COVID-19;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 can cause severe impairment of the respiratory system and high fevers that can cause death

WHEREAS COVID-19 is a virus that can be spread by those that are both symptomatic and asymptomatic thus making it easy to unknowingly spread.

WHEREAS at times the effects of the virus being spread may not be known for periods of up to two weeks,

WHEREAS AS OF April 23, 2020, Algoma Public Health reports that there are 12 confirmed cases of COVID-19 IN THE District of Algoma

WHEREAS the East Algoma Region is a rural area that is populated by many who are considered vulnerable to COVID-19

WHEREAS the Mayors representing the Townships of Prince, Macdonald Meredith and Aberdeen Additional, Plummer Additional, Tarbutt, Johnson, Hilton, Bruce Mines, North Shore, the Municipality of Huron Shores the Town of Blind River, the Town of Thessalon, the City of Elliot Lake and the Town of Spanish met on April 23, 2020 to discuss communication issues with APH related to not receiving information from Algoma Public Health, by community, in a timely manner.

WHEREAS the communities listed above are also not receiving requested information on both travel related and communal spread of the COVID-19 virus as it pertains to positive, negative, resolved and unresolved number of tested individuals in each community.

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WHEREAS each of the Mayors and Municipal Councils of the aforementioned communities have a legal and moral responsibility to protect the residents of their community as clearly expressed in the Municipal Act

WHEREAS absent such information from Algoma Public Health, a situation of unnecessary yet dire stress and anxiety among Mayors, Council Members and Community Members has been created which includes large amounts of mis-information that circulates among communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a letter be drafted, expressing the grave concerns of the above noted communities.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that each community send their letter to the Chief Medical Officer of Health for the Province of Ontario with copies to be sent to the Premier of the Province of Ontario, the Minister of Health, Michael Mantha MPP, Carol Hughes MP, Ross Romano MP, AMO, ROMA, FONOM and Algoma Public Health. (cd)

5. **Adjournment** 5:48 pm

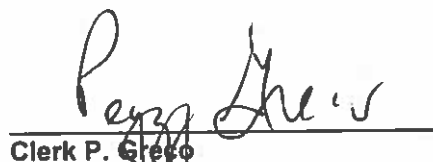
Resolution 2020-112

Moved by: Councillor D. Amadio

Seconded by: Councillor I. Chambers

Be it resolved that this council hereby adjourn at 5:48 pm until May 12 or at the call of the Chair. (cd)


Mayor K. Lamming


Clerk P. Greco