The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Township Council, held on Wednesday December 1st 2021 at 7 pm in the Municipal Office.

- PRESENT Mayor B Langner. Councillors: B Jodoin, D Hartnell, C Larocque & B Sands. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin.
- MINUTES **#21-76** SANDS & JODOIN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held November 3rd 2021, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #21-77 SANDS & HARTNELL & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$140,377.15 and representing disbursements for the month November 2021, be approved for payment. COUNCILLOR JODOIN DECLARED AN INTEREST AS HER SPOUSE HAD A PAYMENT FOR FIRE POINTS.
- FUEL #21-78 LAROCQUE & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council authorizes the change of fuel supply from Ultramar to Hungry Haul Fuels effective immediately.
- RAIN GUAGE **#21-79** HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council authorizes the renewal of the rainfall gauge agreement for the period March 2022 to November 2024. And the Clerk-Treasurer is authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the municipality.
- WRITEOFFS #21-80 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that pursuant to the Minutes of Settlement and Section 357 applications, the following tax write offs be approved General \$983.09 (+13.39 minimum tax) and Education \$166.54 for a total of \$1,163.02.
- EDO #21-81 HARTNELL & SANDS & CARRIED that subject to all three municipalities agreeing, the Town of Rainy River be advised that the Township of Dawson is willing to participate in a proposal to seek an extension to the funding from FedNor for the economic development officer for an additional three-year term.
- OTHER The Rd Supt reported on road work including snowplowing and completion of brushing operations, a total of 58kms has been completed so far this year. Pricing on modifying our old v-plow for use on a grader is being sought. Fuels supply prices were compared and a change will be made. A donation receipt is to be issued for a recent donation of fire hose and equipment. The new jaws of life are in operation. Council discussed two options for the floor in the proposed public works garage addition, either gravel or concrete and will proceed with the concrete floor. Council again discussed the need for a by-law enforcement specifically for properties not in compliance with our zoning. Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including a budget update, the upcoming fire committee meeting, the allocation of \$61,036.26 NORDS funding for the next 5 years, the interim audit set for Dec 13th and an update on tax collections. A POA committee meeting will be held on Dec 9th, payment of the OPP security checks funds of \$82 is to be received, and the library grant of \$1644 was received. MPAC has started to mail assessment notices and the

base year of 2016 will be used until 2024. Councillor Hartnell updated Council on recent NOMA meetings and discussion with MTO with regards to the scrap operation in Sleeman. The Clerk is to write a letter to MTO & MOE relaying the concerns with the scrap operation near and on the MTO right-of-way. Council approved a Christmas bonus for the 6 employees and funding for the fire department gathering.

ADJOURN **#21-82** LAROCQUE & JODOIN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____Clerk