



**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TEMAGAMI
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

Thursday, April 23, 2020, 10:00 A.M.

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1. PURPOSE OF THIS SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of Council to be held on April 23, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. by zoom webcast is to review the proposed changes to the electronic participation during an emergency to allow meetings to be held via zoom webcast.

2. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Draft Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Special Council Agenda dated April 23, 2020, be adopted as presented/amended.

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OR PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

5. STAFF REPORT

5.1 Memo 2020-M-036 Zoom Conference

Zoom Demonstration by Councillor J. Shymko

Draft Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the use of video conference for the purpose of hosting electronic meetings and further that meetings will continue to be recorded, as governed by Schedule G.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Draft Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at x:xx a.m.

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Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memorandum to Council

Memo No.
2019-M-036



Staff



Committee

Subject:	Zoom Conference
Agenda Date:	March 23, 2020
Attachments:	Schedule H, Changes to Municipal Act 2001

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the use of video conference for the purpose of hosting electronic meetings and further that meetings will continue to be recorded, as governed by Schedule G.

INFORMATION

As Council is aware, the Province of Ontario has declared a state of emergency concerning the COVID-19 global pandemic. The Legislature did meet and made changes to several acts including the Municipal Act 2001. Basically, the changes to the Municipal Act, 2001 provide municipalities with the option of changing procedural by-laws allowing for enhanced electronic participation ruled for emergencies declared by the Head of Council or the Premier as governed by the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act. Council has met and adopted Schedule H – Meeting During Declared Emergencies.

The Municipality now has the flexibility to conducting meetings and public hearings by electronics means. We have explored and believe the use of Zoom conference technology is a cost effective method for video conferencing allowing members and public to attend meeting remotely.

Respectfully Submitted:
Suzie Fournier
Municipal Clerk

Schedule H – Meetings During Declared Emergencies

The Municipal Act, Section 238(3.3) provides Municipalities the ability to alter rules around quorum and participation in closed sessions when an emergency has been declared either by the Mayor or by the Premier.

- Schedule E of the Procedural By-Law governs electronic participation by Members in meetings.
- While participating in a meeting during a declared emergency, Members participating in a meeting by electronic means will be included when determining quorum. Accordingly, there is no limit to the number of Members who can participate electronically in an Open Session of Council.
- While operating during a declared emergency, Members may participate in closed sessions electronically. Members shall ensure that they are able to participate in such meetings while still observing the confidentiality and privacy associated with Closed Sessions. If a Member is not able to find a private location to participate in a Closed Session they should voluntarily not participate in the meeting.
- The Chair of the meeting is not required to be physically present in Chambers during meetings called while an active declaration of an emergency exists.
- Meetings will continue to be recorded and recordings, as governed by Schedule G will still be in effect.
- While operating under a declaration of an emergency, it may be necessary to limit Public Access to the meetings as they are occurring, however, all actions will be taken to ensure the recordings of such meetings are made available to the Public in accordance with our guidelines.