

Minutes of a **Regular Meeting** of Council held on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in the XYZ Room, Virginiatown, On.

PRESENT:

REEVE: Clermont Lapointe

COUNCILLORS: Bonita Culhane
Matt Reimer
Colette Tardif
Dimitri Kowbassa

ALSO PRESENT:

CLERK-TREASURER: Gary Cunnington

AUDIENCE: 5 members of Public

1. Call to Order

Reeve Lapointe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

2. Additions/Deletions/ Adoption of the Agenda:

Moved by Colette Tardif **218/09**
Seconded by Bonita Culhane **Adoption of the Agenda**

THAT the agenda for the Council meeting of October 27, 2009 be adopted.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Conflict of interest:

None declared.

4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Dimitri Kowbassa **219/09**
Seconded by Colette Tardif **Special Council Minutes**

THAT the minutes of a Special meeting of Council held on October 8, 2009 be adopted.

Carried.

Moved by Colette Tardif **220/09**

Seconded by Bonita Culhane

Regular Council Minutes

THAT the minutes of a Regular meeting of Council held on October 13, 2009 be adopted.

Carried.

5. Matters Arising from the minutes:

6. Deputations/Delegations:

None

7. Submitted Questions:

a) None

Audience Questions:

b) None

8. Correspondence Information:

- a) Ministry of Northern Development & Mines - Kerr-Addison Tailings Area Discharge.
- b) Crawford Insurance Adjusters - Community Recreation Centre Claim.
- c) Ontario Clean Water Agency - Pandemic Planning.
- d) Emergency Management Ontario - 2009.
- e) Ministry of Transportation - Hwy 66. - Council requested the Clerk contact the MTO to request a meeting to discuss the relocation and maintenance of Highway 66.

9. Councillor Reports

Reeve Lapointe

- reported on Timiskaming Building Association meeting and noted the new Chief Building Official has completed his probation and advised their Budget was in good shape.
- noted that the pump for the Township water system had been inspected and a report would be forthcoming.

Councillor Tardif

- reminded everyone that garbage collection will be every two weeks starting in November.
- also noted that everyone should set their clocks back on the weekend.

Councillor Culhane

- advised the Tourist Centre closed for the winter.
- advised the next Tourist Centre Committee meeting to be held at the XYZ Room on November 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
- reported on the Christmas Craft and Bake Sale held on October 24, 2009 and congratulated the Pioneers Auxiliary on a very successful day. She also announced the winners of the raffle draw held at the bake sale.

Councillor Kowbassa

- advised the Remembrance Day Ceremonies would take place on November 8, 2009.
- reported that Halloween candy would be given out to kids this year at the Fire Hall , Legion and the Community Centre.

Councillor Reimer

- reported on his attendance at the Firefighters meeting.
- advised another mirror has arrived for use at the fitness centre.
- reported next Recreation Committee meeting would be on November 4, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
- reported members of Council would be having an informal meeting with Constable Dugan of the OPP on November 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the XYZ Room.
- noted Smart Serve Course was being offered on November 14, 2009.
- reported on his attendance at the Library Board meeting.

10. New Business

- a) Moved by Matt Reimer
Seconded by Colette Tardif

221/09
Strategic Planning Committee

THAT Walter Payne be appointed to the Township Strategic Planning Committee.

Carried.

- b) Moved by Bonita Culhane
Seconded by Dimitri Kowbassa

222/09
Payment for Project Management Services

THAT Council approves of payment of Invoice 27936 in the amount of \$15,750.00 to Ontario Clean Water Agency for project management services.

Carried

- c) Correspondence from Timiskaming Child and Family Services regarding their Christmas Angel Program was presented as informational.

- d) Moved by Dimitri Kowbassa
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

223/09
Community Social Service Workers Appreciation Day

WHEREAS community social service workers are vital to the quality of life within all Canadian communities; and

WHEREAS community social service workers provide crucial services to families and children; people with disabilities; respite care; people and families dealing with substance abuse; women and their children in transition houses or sexual assault centres; Aboriginal Peoples; as well as services to new Canadians; and

WHEREAS the quality of these services depends largely on the dedication of trained

workers who provide these services; and

WHEREAS the availability of these services helps improve the quality of life for everyone, while making our communities stronger and more stable; and

WHEREAS greater recognition and understanding of the critical role these workers play in our communities are needed to ensure the continued availability and improvement of services; and

WHEREAS awareness and support for these services begin at the local level;

NOW therefore be it resolved Council of the Township of McGarry proclaims November 6 as Community Social Service Workers Appreciation Day

Carried

e) Reeve Lapointe brought forward the issue of the number of Council meetings. He noted that Council schedules two meetings a month and the meetings usually last around a half hour to three quarters of an hour. He requested Council approve of an amendment to the procedural By-Law to have Council move to having one Council meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Council agreed and directed the Clerk bring forward the amendment to the next regular meeting of Council.

11. Passing of Accounts:

Moved by Colette Tardif
Seconded by Bonita Culhane

224/09
Accounts

THAT the following account be approved for payment:

GENERAL: \$44,547.32

Carried

12. Passing of By-laws:

None

13. Closed Meeting:

None

14. Confirmation By-Law

Moved by Matt Reimer
Seconded by Dimitri Kowbassa

225/09
By-Law 2009-37

THAT a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be considered read three times and passed this 27th day of October, 2009 and numbered By-Law 2009-37.

Carried.

15. Adjournment

Moved by Colette Tardif
Seconded by Dimitri Kowbassa

226/09
Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

Reeve

Clerk-Treasurer