

**TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON**  
**COUNCIL MEETING: February 16, 2010**  
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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Municipal Office Meeting Room on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Richard Harvey	Mayor
James Foulds	Councillor
Greg Harper	Councillor
Barry Laukkanen	Councillor
Hoss Pelletier	Councillor
Lindsay Mannila	Clerk

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 038-2010**

*Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:*

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of February 2, 2010, are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk.

**FINANCE**

**Resolution No. 039-2010**

*Pelletier, Foulds and carried:*

That the payment of accounts as listed on the following Payment Voucher be and the same is hereby confirmed and approved.

Payment Voucher No. 007-2009	\$ 81,659.15
Payment Voucher No. 008-2009	\$ 25,843.88

**Resolution No. 040-2010**

*Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:*

That leave be given to introduce a By-law to provide for the Interim Tax Levy for 2010;  
That the By-law be read a first and second times;  
That the said By-law be read a third time;  
Finally passed and numbered By-law Number 1696 of the Township of Nipigon.

**Resolution No. 041-2010**

*Foulds, Pelletier and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the Mayor, R. Harvey, signing on behalf of the Township the engagement letter with Grant Thornton for the completion of the 2009 municipal audit.

*Regional Food Distribution Association* - update on property acquisition project and request for Nipigon's previously confirmed contribution.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Resolution No. 042-2010**

*Foulds, Laukkanen and carried:*

That the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of February 9, 2010, are hereby adopted and that recommendation numbers 1 - 7 are approved.

Item regarding installation of a gate at the Marina entrance was referred to the Marina committee for further information including cost estimates and rationale as to why the gate is necessary.

*Red Rock Indian Band* - Council didn't have any concerns except ensuring WSIB and liability insurance coverage for a request for their water treatment plant operators to accompany the Township's operators in order to observe the operations in order to acquire hours towards gaining their Class 1 Licences.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Resolution No. 043-2010**

*Foulds, Laukkanen and carried:*

That the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department meeting minutes of February 2, 2010, are hereby adopted.

**Resolution No. 044-2010**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the Fire Chief Roy Cross attending the 2010 Ontario Fire Chief's Conference in Toronto from May 1 - 4, 2010.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Resolution No. 045-2010**

*Pelletier, Harper and carried:*

That the Nipigon Economic Development Committee meeting minutes of February 10, 2010, are hereby adopted and that recommendation number 1 is approved.

**Resolution No. 046-2010**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby supports the Local Initiatives Grant applications for Red Rock Indian Band and New Beginnings Circle for the Ladies Drum Circle and Nipigon Nylons colouring book respectively.

**Resolution No. 047-2010**

*Pelletier, Harper and carried:*

That the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Township of Nipigon an amendment to the Nipigon Watershed Scoping Analysis FedNor CED funding agreement to extend the completion date to May 31, 2010.

**RECREATION**

**Resolution No. 048-2010**

*Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:*

That the Nipigon Recreation Committee meeting minutes of January 18, 2010, are hereby adopted and that recommendation numbers 1 - 3 are approved.

**PLANNING**

Council was given the draft Tree By-Law which will be brought to the next Council meeting.

**MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

- Notice of an information session to review Major Amendment to the Lake Nipigon Forestry Management Plan, to be held at the Nipigon Community Centre on March 11, 2010 and a sustainable communities session in Thunder Bay that CAO Mannila or PWS Aitken will attend.
- Agenda for the Nipigon Watershed Advisory Committee meeting on Wednesday, February 24, 2010. Councillor Pelletier will try to attend.
- Agenda for meeting with Minister Jeffrey and the OFIA, Wednesday, February 10, 2010.

**SUNDRIES**

*AMO* - notice of annual conference, August 15 - 18, 2010. Mayor Harvey suggested two members of Council should try to attend.

*Thunder Bay District Municipal League* - agenda for Annual Meeting in Schreiber, March 5 - 6, 2010.

**Resolution No. 049-2010**

*Harper, Laukkanen and carried:*

That this Council hereby supports the resolution of the Township of West Lincoln regarding the funding responsibility for clean up of illegally dumped environmental waste on public lands.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Hoss Pelletier attended the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce session with Cliff Services CAO regarding the potential for a group of mining projects referred to as the Ring of Fire
- Mayor Harvey attended the Ring of Fire presentation, a meeting with the Finance Minister, Species at Risk presentation regarding the Peregrine Falcon and the Heart of the Continent session.
- Council received information from a Cobalt, Ontario, Councillor regarding a call to action in reference to the Northern Growth Plan
- CAO Mannila advised that HMCS Griffin would like to do a 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary presentation for Council at its meeting on March 9, 2010
- Finance/Budget meeting rescheduled to February 25, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

**Resolution No. 050-2010**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this meeting do now convene to an in-camera (closed) session to consider matters respecting municipal employees.

**Resolution No. 051-2010**

*Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:*

That this meeting do now re-convene to an open session.

**Resolution No. 052-2010**

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m. on motion of *Pelletier, Laukkanen and carried.*

\_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR

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