

**TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON
COUNCIL MEETING, January 8, 2008
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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Community Centre Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

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| Richard Harvey | Mayor |
| Jonah Dupuis | Councillor |
| James Foulds | Councillor |
| Greg Harper | Councillor |
| Hoss Pelletier | Councillor |
| Lindsay Mannila | Clerk |

MINUTES

Resolution No. 1-2008

Dupuis, Foulds and carried:

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of December 18, 2007 are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk .

FINANCE

Resolution No. 2-2008

Foulds, Pelletier and carried:

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

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| Payment Voucher No. 001- 2008 | \$ 42,682.25 |
| Payment Voucher No. 002- 2008 | \$ 216,685.31 |

Resolution No. 3-2008

Dupuis, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the donation of proceeds from the Oct/07 Special Assistance Grant to the following organizations to assist with 2007-08 season operating expenditures:

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| Nipigon Curling Club | \$8,700.00 |
| North Shore Golf Club | \$7,000.00 |

Council referred the targeted money for the NCC and the additional \$3,159. to the Recreation Commission to recommend on potential dispersal.

Resolution No. 4-2008

Dupuis, Harper and carried:

That Council hereby approves the attached Council representation on Committees and organizations of the Township.

Resolution No. 5-2008

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby appoints Jonah Dupuis to be a director of the Nipigon Housing Corporation effective January 1, 2008.

Resolution No. 6-2008

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby authorizes the payment, in monthly installments, of the 2008 Thunder Bay District Health Unit Levy of \$32,304.

Council received correspondence from the Ministers of Finance and Municipal Affairs and Housing advising that the 2008 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) will remain at least the same , an estimate on MPAC's 2008 Funding Requirements, information on how to apply for funding through the Ontario government's new Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative. After Council discussion, the CAO was directed to work on an application for the Municipal Offices/Library project shortfall.

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PUBLIC WORKS

Council received information from District of Thunder Bay Social Services Department on the implementation of the Water Filter Fund program and from Frank Cowan Company on Building Inspection Due Diligence.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Resolution No. 7-2008

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the Fire Chief and Deputy Chief attending Fire Code Information Session in Thunder Bay on January 23, 2008.

The Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department received an application from Sean Rich to join the Department, they will vote on it and submit it to the next Council meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Council received the NOSTA minutes of November 6, 2007, information from Ministry of Tourism on grants available through the "Celebrate Ontario 2008 Enhancing our Festivals and Events" funding initiative that local organizations will likely apply for, the NODN News and we were advised that our application for funding toward the Recycling Facility Business Plan and Feasibility Study Report from NOHFC was ineligible.

SUNDRIES

Correspondence:

TBDSSAB - correspondence regarding the 2008 Ontario Budget

Compulsory Certification Review - information re Apprenticeship and Certification Stakeholder

Lakehead University Student Forestry Association - 40th Annual Forestry Symposium - Friday, January 18, 2008, Mayor Harvey and Councillor Foulds to attend

CN Rail - letter re proposed discontinuance of railway line, Kinghorn Subdivision

Don MacAlpine - letter regarding Legion Cenotaph

Township of Howick - resolution regarding the Drainage Act

Superior North Quad Council - minutes from October 24, 2007, and agenda items for January 16th meeting

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Mayor Harvey to attend Boat show with Marina Marketing - Town will provide meal allowance

- Golf course requested to have link to Township Website - L. O'Neill to contact.

- Ruby Lake - task force on upcoming EDC agenda

- note of how slippery the Museum floor was in December when wet

- meeting with Percy Champagne set for January 15, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.

- Tree By-law open house on January 14, 2008 from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

- Lighting on Hwy. 11/17 bridge - not done yet although the issue has been followed up on a number of times

- Community Calendar on Township's website not used to full potential - encourage groups to submit their events

Councillor Pelletier declared a pecuniary interest for the in-camera item and left the meeting.

Resolution No. 8-2008

Harper, Foulds, and carried:

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

Resolution No. 9-2008

Harper, Dupuis, and carried:

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

Resolution No. 10-2008

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m. on motion of *Dupuis, Harper and carried.*

MAYOR

CLERK