

**TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON**  
**COUNCIL MEETING, March 11, 2008**  
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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Community Centre Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Richard Harvey	Mayor
Jonah Dupuis	Councillor
James Foulds	Councillor
Greg Harper	Councillor
Hoss Pelletier	Councillor
Kelly Paakkunainen	Deputy Clerk

Mayor Harvey declared a pecuniary interest regarding item 12 c) LAC agreement extension.  
Councillor Harper declared a pecuniary interest regarding item 7 a) Little Jackfish power line.

**AUDIENCE**

Hydro One representative attended to request an exemption from the pesticide by-law. They presented examples of right-of-way exemptions granted by other municipalities in Ontario. Council requested that Hydro One provide more information.

**MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 65-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of February 19, 2008 are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk .

**FINANCE**

**Resolution No. 66-2008**

*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.

Payment Voucher No. 009- 2008	\$ 37,652.13
Payment Voucher No. 008- 2008	\$ 326,552.68

**Resolution No. 67-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby confirms and approves the following property tax write-offs, rebates and adjustments including penalties for 2007:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Reason</u>
860	23 Third	422.18	2006	Minutes of Settlement
1686	160 Bell	183.33	2006	“ ”
2163	111 Sixth	733.30	2006	“ ”
5456	157 Hudson	523.78	2006	“ ”
5563	115 Churchill	26.18	2006	“ ”
6925	Hogan Road	258.74	2006	“ ”
11601	Plan 745 Pt Lot 29	290.69	2006	“ ”
6983	Plan 745 Pt Lot 29	309.03	2006	“ ”
6991	Plan 745 Pt Lot 29	295.94	2006	“ ”
8343	Maata's Road	686.92	2006	“ ”
8351	Maata's Road	343.46	2006	“ ”
8400	Maata's Road	366.36	2006	“ ”
8385	Con 3 E Pt. Lot 12	240.42	2006	“ ”
9002	Con. 3 Pt. Lot 14	927.35	2006	“ ”
9234	Con. 4 E Pt. Lot 7	2558.02	2006	“ ”
8715	Con. 3 Pt. Lot 14	476.52	2006	“ ”
8715	Con. 3 Pt. Lot 14	5343.92	2006	“ ”
323	19 First	326.24	2007	“ ”
1686	160 Bell	190.31	2007	“ ”
149	12 Front	327.45	2007	“ ”
2163	111 Sixth	761.22	2007	“ ”
3997	Water Lot CL 1741	413.23	2007	“ ”

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5456	157 Hudson	543.73	2007	“	”
5563	115 Churchill	27.19	2007	“	”
6925	Hogan Road	266.23	2007	“	”
11601	Plan 745 Pt Lot 29	301.77	2007	“	”
6983	Plan 745 Pt Lot 29	320.79	2007	“	”
6991	Plan 745 Pt Lot 29	307.20	2007	“	”
8351	Maata’s Road	353.41	2007	“	”
8385	Con 3 E Pt. Lot 12	247.39	2007	“	”
8400	Maata’s Road	376.97	2007	“	”
5810	156 First	132.85	2007	“	”
10033	Hwy 11/17	418.38	2007	“	”
9002	Con. 3 Pt. Lot 14	954.20	2007	“	”
14663	Hwy. 11/17	1246.71	2006	“	”
14663	Hwy. 11/17	4270.13	2007	“	”
7543	Newton Street	121734.45	2007		Building razed by fire
1123	CAS - Front Street	616.96	2007		Charitable Rebate
7775	First Street	707.20	2007		Vacancy Rebate
14663	Hwy. 11/17	1597.00	2007		Vacancy Rebate
2014	102 Fifth	6504.81	2007		Legion

*Correspondence:*

*Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing* – Financial Indicators Review for 2006  
*Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal* – changes to allocation of COMRIF funding  
*Motel Owners of Nipigon* – requests for changes to services and tax levy

Council discussed the tax relief by-law for the Royal Canadian Legion and agreed to extend the exemption into 2008.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

*Ministry of Transportation* – response to Quad Council regarding scheduled improvements to Highway 11/17.

*Industry Canada* – additional funding program for Water Treatment Plant upgrades.

*Public Works Superintendent* – Council review job advertisement prior to publishing.

*Champion Road Machinery* – quotation for lease of grader, to be considered at next Public Works Committee meeting.

**RECREATION**

**Resolution No. 68-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the submission of an application by Nipigon Recreation Committee to the Superior North CFDC 208 Local Initiatives Contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00 for road signage.

**Resolution No. 69-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the submission of an application by Nipigon Recreation Committee to the Superior North CFDC 2008 Local Initiatives Contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Highway Signage.

**Resolution No. 70-2008**

*Dupuis, Pelletier and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the submission of an application by 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee to the Superior North CFDC 2008 Local Initiatives Contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00.

**Resolution No. 71-2008**

*Pelletier, Dupuis and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the submission of an application by Hardcore Fishing to the Superior North CFDC 2008 Local Initiatives Contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00 for information study and attendance at outdoor shows.

**Resolution No. 72-2008**

*Dupuis, Pelletier and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the submission of an application by Nipigon District Historical Museum to the Superior North CFDC 2008 Local Initiatives Contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00 for printing of an historical book, advertising and signage.

Council considered a proposal to restructure the Recreation Department and set a tentative date of April 19, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss this further with the CAO and the Public Works Superintendent.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Resolution No. 73-2008**

*Pelletier, Dupuis and carried:*

Whereas the Township of Nipigon requests the Province of Ontario to invest in additional transmission lines in Northwestern Ontario to enable and accommodate the potential investment in renewable energy development;

And whereas the Township of Nipigon realizes the potential investment in our area that would create the needed employment opportunities for its citizens;

And whereas the Township of Nipigon realizes the renewable energy projects will add to the diversification of its forestry based economy, and that this new and emerging potential growth will benefit the region in Northwestern Ontario;

And whereas the Township of Nipigon realizes the provincial mandate for clean renewable energy to reduce our green house gas emissions, and that the proposed wind energy farms along with the proposed hydro-electric generating stations and solar energy generating stations will assist the province in its mandate;

And whereas the Township of Nipigon realizes the infrastructure pertaining to hydro transmission in Northwestern Ontario is inadequate to supply the growing energy needs of Southern Ontario, and that because of this inadequacy we are not able to be a part of the energy solution for the Province of Ontario;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Nipigon request the province of Ontario invest in its infrastructure for the enabling lines and transmission so that these energy projects will be realized.

**Resolution No. 74-2008**

*Dupuis, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council approves a sponsorship of \$250.00 to the Land of the Nipigon Chamber of Commerce for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Business awards dinner.

*Correspondence:*

Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation – notice of grant approval for diversification study

Community Adjustment Committee – minutes of meeting on January 23, 2008

Chamber of Commerce – update on regional marketing plan

Downtown Revitalization – request from Councillor Dupuis for update

Community Adjustment Committee – request for extension

**CEMETERY**

**Resolution No. 75-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That the minutes of the Cemetery Committee meeting of February 21, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation number 1 is approved.

**MUSEUM**

**Resolution No. 76-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the Nipigon District Historical Museum meeting of March 3, 2008, are hereby adopted.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Resolution No. 77-2008**

*Pelletier, Dupuis and carried:*

That this Council hereby supports the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department donating surplus Scott Air Packs to regional Volunteer Fire Departments.

**Resolution No. 78-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department meeting of March 4, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation number 1 is approved.

**MARINA**

**Resolution No. 79-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the Nipigon Marina Committee meeting of February 6, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation 1 is approved.

**Resolution No. 80-2008**

*Dupuis, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby approved recommendations 1, 2 and 3 from the March 5, 2008, Nipigon Marina Committee meeting.

**SUNDRIES**

Correspondence:

*Nipigon Public Library Board* – minutes from meeting of January 30, 2008

*Political Action Committee* – concerns regarding Highway upgrades

*Nip-Rock High 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* – update on plans for events and request for prize donations

*Thunder Bay DSSAB* – annual general meeting of Service Deliverers Assoc., April 14 – 16, 2008

L. Manila and Councillor Foulds to attend.

*NOMA* – 2008 Annual General Meeting and Conference, April 16 – 19, 2008, Mayor Harvey and Councillor Foulds to attend.

*City of Woodstock* – resolution regarding property tax systems

*Ministry of Natural Resources* – information regarding Bear Wise Funding for 2008

*Nipigon Tree By-law* – request to bring new draft to next Council meeting

**Resolution No. 81-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby accepts Susan Foulds as a member of the Nipigon Public Library Board.

**Resolution No. 82-2008**

*Foulds, Pelletier and carried:*

That this Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, or his alternate, and the Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities for a funding extension for the Nipigon Labour Adjustment Committee until October 31, 2008.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Ministry of Natural Resources – Evergreen Community Tree Planting Grant Program, Township to apply
- Reviewed Shaw Lease
- Green North Eco Conference
- Land of Nipigon Waterways – Trails for Life Grant Info
- OGRA/ROMA report by Mayor Harvey
- North of Superior Snowmobile Association donation request

**Resolution No. 83-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council extends for an additional 15 minutes.

**Resolution No. 84-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this meeting do now convene to an in-camera (closed) session to consider matters respecting confidential matters that have been provided to Council.

**Resolution No. 85-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

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

**Resolution No. 86-2008**

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. on motion of *Foulds, Harper and carried.*

\_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_ CLERK