

TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON
COUNCIL MEETING: April 21, 2009
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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Community Centre Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

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

Councillor Foulds declared a pecuniary interest regarding Item 5 b) Fall Fishing Festival.

MINUTES

Resolution No. 114-2009

Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of April 7, 2009, are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk.

FINANCE

Resolution No. 115-2009

Pelletier, Laukkanen 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. 015-2009	\$ 357,177.65
Payment Voucher No. 016-2009	\$ 26,253.48

Resolution No. 116-2009

Foulds, Pelletier and carried:

That this Council hereby confirms the acceptance of the Credit Facilities with the Royal Bank of Canada dated March 27, 2009.

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution No. 117-2009

Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:

That the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of April 14, 2009, are hereby adopted and that recommendation numbers 1, 2 and 3 are approved.

Resolution No. 118-2009

Pelletier, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council hereby declares as surplus, the property described as Concession 2, part of Lot 14, Township of Nipigon, with local address 009 Landing Road, and being approximately 0.77 acres. The purpose of the declaration is to sell to the abutting land owners as a lot addition.

Resolution No. 119-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves an application through the Communities Component Intake 2 of the Build Canada Fund for sewer and water services to the Highway 11/17 corridor.

Resolution No. 120-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the hiring of Henderson Paddon & Associates to complete stress testing of the clarifiers at the Sewage Treatment Plant at a cost of \$18,750.00.

RECREATION

Resolution No. 121-2009

Laukkanen, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby supports the Nipigon Elks Fish and Game Club in their efforts to have a Live Release Walleye Fish Derby on the Nipigon River in 2010.

Resolution No. 122-2009

Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:

That this Council hereby confirms its continued support for the 45th Annual Fall Fishing Festival by approving the donation of the use of the Nipigon Community Centre for the Labour Day Weekend of September 3 - 7, 2009.

Resolution No. 123-2009

Pelletier, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council hereby confirms its continued support for the 12th Annual Hike for Health on September 26, 2009 by approving a \$1,000. sponsorship.

Resolution No. 124-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the May 2009 Kids Fish Derby be under the Nipigon Recreation Commission as a sub committee.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Resolution No. 125-2009

Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:

That the minutes of the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department meeting of April 7, 2009, are hereby

adopted.

Councillor Harper asked that it be noted that he has advised “regrets” that he is unable to attend the majority of Fire Department meetings due to scheduling conflict with Council and Public Works meetings.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Council received notes from the April 8th EDC meeting. There was no quorum at that meeting.

Resolution No. 126-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the format and purchasing of three Highway signs from Ron’s Signs at a cost of up to \$6,000.00.

Resolution No. 127-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves EDO staff marketing report of April 16, 2009, recommendation numbers 1 to 3.

Resolution No. 128-2009

Harper, Pelletier and carried:

That this Council hereby confirms its approval of an application to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation for funding to assist with the 4th International Lakes Tourism Conference.

Resolution No. 129-2009

Pelletier, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby approves submissions to the Northern Communities Investment Readiness Program for the Experiential Tourism for Investment Attraction Conference, Community Profile Updating and a broadbased asset inventory.

CEMETERY

Resolution No. 130-2009

Foulds, Laukkanen and carried:

That the minutes of the Cliffside Cemetery Committee meeting of April 16, 2009, are hereby adopted.

SUNDRIES

Regional Food Distribution Association - request for financial support, CAO will contact to get further information regarding financial breakdown

Federation of Canadian Municipalities - update on Federal Infrastructure Funding

AMO - information regarding position on Bill 150, Green Energy and Green Economy Act

Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration - nominations for Lincoln Alexander Award 2009
Ontario Power Authority - Every Kilowatt Counts power savings event

Resolution No. 131-2009

Laukkanen, Pelletier and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the Grace United Church holding their Annual Mother's Day Carnation Sale on Friday, May 8th and Saturday, May 9th, 2009.

Resolution No. 132-2009

Laukkanen, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby supports Bill C-309 a Private Members Bill which aims to create a permanent Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario.

Resolution No. 133-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

With respect to the shortfall in funding for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) this Council hereby supports the request for an increase of Federal funding for the CBC;

AND THAT the Township of Nipigon call on the CBC to cancel all planned staff and programming cuts at the Northwestern Ontario CBC station;

AND THAT the jobs involved in the delivery of CBC local and regional programming be retained in Northwestern Ontario and across Canada;

AND THAT the Clerk communicate the resolution to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Canadian Heritage, the President of the CBC and the MP's and MPP's who represent Northwestern Ontario and in particular the coverage area of the Thunder Bay CBC Radio Station and its repeater stations;

OTHER BUSINESS

- Councillor Foulds reported on DSSAB Housing Grant Program and possible mail outs and open houses to make the public aware. Also, DSSAB is putting together a booklet of services they provide.
- Mayor Harvey reported on the NOMA conference recently attended. Copies of Provincial presentations and booklet on Acquisitions of Crown Land are available for anyone interested.
- NOSTA audience with Council was set for May 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
- discussed Museum application for SCFDC Grant
- notice of extension for Labour Adjustment Committee
- Superior North CFDC - Annual General Meeting on April 30, 2009
- Town Clean Up Day to be held May 9, 2009, the Township will provide gloves and garbage bags for anyone wishing to help.

Resolution No. 134-2009

Pelletier, Laukkanen and carried:

That this meeting do now adjourn to an in-camera (closed) session to consider matters respecting the proposed hiring of a casual relief confidential secretary and proposed sale of property.

Resolution No. 135-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

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

Resolution No. 136-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the form of appraisal for the proposed sale of 009 Landing Road being an "Opinion of Value" from a realtor.

Resolution No. 137-2009

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m. on motion of *Foulds, Laukkanen and carried.*

_____ MAYOR _____ CLERK