

TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON
COUNCIL MEETING: April 6, 2010
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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Municipal Office Meeting Room on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

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

Regrets:

Hoss Pelletier	Councillor
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There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

MINUTES

Resolution No. 086-2010

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of March 23, 2010, are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk.

FINANCE

Resolution No. 087-2010

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. 013-2009	\$ 281,969.27
Payment Voucher No. 014-2009	\$ 31,560.24

Resolution No. 088-2010

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this council hereby confirms its acceptance of the settlement for the pending class action law suit against all "LDCs" including Municipal Electricity Utilities from 1998 at a cost of \$2826.79 and that the clerk be authorized to sign the authorization.

Resolution No. 089-2010

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That leave be given to introduce a By-law to authorize tax relief for property taxes related to the Royal Canadian Legion;

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 1700 of the Township of Nipigon.

Resolution No. 090-2010

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby accepts the 2010 Superior North EMS budget and estimated Levy of \$55,820.

Council received final reconciliation from 2008 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund for a total of \$700.

Council noted 2010 Taxation Regulations received from Ministry of Finance respecting levy restrictions and tax ratio flexibility.

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution No. 091-2010

Laukkanen, Harper and carried:

That this Council confirms the Mayor being authorized to sign an acknowledging letter with the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs regarding the BDR-MIC Sewage Treatment Plant Project funding.

Council received a Marina Pavilion and park area use request for a wedding in August and referred final approval to the Public Works Department.

Council discussed Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative program respecting water conservation framework and noted for future reference.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Council discussed the continuation with documentation for the NOSTA AGM business portion scheduled for May 3rd with the Mayor attending.

Resolution No. 092-2010

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That this council hereby authorizes Richard Harvey to vote on the municipalities behalf at the 2010 NOSTA AGM business portion on May 4, 2010.

Council received information on Paddle to the Sea Artwork Contest as part of the May 14th Grand Opening.

Resolution No. 093-2010

Harper, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the signage strategy plan to relocate and refurbish the Brook Trout statue to the TIC property at an approximate cost of \$4,800.00

Council considered the Nipigon Signage Strategy prepared by Brainbox. There was some discussion and minor concerns with some sign placement including at the 5 way intersection and Railway St entranceway.

The March/2010 Asset Inventory provided in full by e-mail to Council and prepared by Fire Dog Communications was noted.

Resolution No. 094-2010

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That the Mayor hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the municipality a Memorandum of Understanding with Thunder Bay Tourism and Trans Canada Trail Ontario respecting development of a Regional Trail Committee.

Council received Chamber of Council minutes from February 18th, 2010.

SUNDRIES

Resolution No. 094-2010

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That the Mayor hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the municipality a Memorandum of Understanding with Thunder Bay Tourism and Trans Canada Trail Ontario respecting development of a Regional Trail Committee.

Council received Chamber of Council minutes from February 18th, 2010.

Council received notice that Dr. Henry Kurban has commenced his duties as Acting Medical Officer of Health for the Thunder Bay District Health Unit.

Resolution No. 096-2010

Foulds, Harper and carried:

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That this Council hereby supports the resolution of NOMA respecting the call for the Federal Government to recognize the importance of NODP/FEDNOR programs and the need to commit to stable funding.

OTHER BUSINESS

LAC Service providers Meeting April 14th, 2010

Trillium Foundation -golf club announcement- April 17th, 2010

Snowmobile Club recruitment drive may be necessary before next winter.

Sarah Lewis- Business Website Development Seminar April 13, 2010

Resolution No. 087-2010

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m. on motion of *Harper, Foulds and carried.*

_____MAYOR

_____CLERK