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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Municipal Office Meeting Room on Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Richard Harvey	Mayor
Levina Collins	Councillor
Louise Dupuis	Councillor
James Foulds	Councillor
Gordon Mackenzie	Councillor
Lindsay Mannila	Clerk

Councillor Dupuis declared a conflict of interest regarding item 4 d) Multiply Property request.

MINUTES

Resolution No. 294-2011

Foulds, Collins and carried.

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of December 6, 2011, are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk.

FINANCE

Resolution No. 295-2011

Mackenzie, Collins 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. 047-2011	\$ 121,165.79
Payment Voucher No. 048-2011	\$ 24,382.09

Resolution No. 296-2011

Collins, Foulds and carried.

That this Council hereby approves the payment of the 2012 Thunder Bay District Health Unit Levy of \$34,155.00 by approximately twelve equal monthly installments of \$2,486.00.

Resolution No. 297-2011

Foulds, Collins and carried.

That this Council authorizes the Mayor and CAO signing on behalf of the municipality an agreement with the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services to provide funding for Court Security Prisoner Transportation costs.

Thunder Bay DSSAB- information regarding 2012 budget estimate and Township's levy may have a slight decrease.

Superior North EMS- notice of a 6.1% increase for the 2012 budget being submitted.

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution No. 298-2011

Foulds, Mackenzie and carried.

That the minutes of Public Works Committee meeting of December 13, 2011, are hereby adopted and that recommendation numbers 1, 2 and 3 are approved.

OGRA - Council discussed which Ministers to request a delegation with during the conference.

Memorial Tree- letter to Council regarding Christmas Tree located before the CPR crossing.

Multiply Property- correspondence regarding proposal for use of property, CAO, EDO and Council to continue discussion with interested party.

CPR Holiday Train- request to barricade part of Front Street next year during the train stop referred to the Public Works Department.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolution No. 299-2011

Mackenzie, Foulds and carried.

That this Council hereby approves the hiring of KBM Resources Group to complete the Nipigon Wood Supply Evaluation project at a cost of \$18,645.00.

EDO Sarah Lewis submitted a report on EDC 2011 Highlights and proposed 2012 projects.

Item b) Branding proposal was moved to In-Camera session.

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NOSTA- Mayor Harvey and Councillor Foulds to meet with Robert Patterson on January 10th regarding the Ambassador Program. Public Works Committee to meet with MTO Engineers regarding pedestrian walkway on the proposed new bridge, will also invite a rep from the RRIB to attend.

Fields Store- Council requested a letter be sent to the company expressing disappointment and asking if they would reconsider the decision to close the Nipigon store.

Chamber of Commerce- minutes from meeting of October 20, 2011.

MIPIM 2012- an international real estate conference, EDO S. Lewis to submit proposal to Council at the January 10, 2012, meeting.

NWMO- correspondence regarding community's long term vision, suggested that Township work on visionary exercise including public input and community involvement and discuss further at a future Council meeting.

RECREATION

Council received a copy of notes from meeting of November 21, 2011 (no quorum).

After a brief discussion on maintenance and repair costs the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 300-2011

Mackenzie, Collins and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the hiring of Nipigon Red Rock Plumbing and Heating to complete the required repairs/replacement of two suspended ceiling heaters at the Nipigon Curling Club at a cost of \$6,728.47 in a timely manner and that the Curling Club demonstrate their fund raising efforts at the next Council meeting for this project.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Resolution No. 301-2011

Foulds, Mackenzie and carried:

That the minutes of the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department meeting of December 7, 2011, are hereby adopted.

MUSEUM

Resolution No. 302-2011

Dupuis, Foulds and carried:

That the minutes of the Nipigon Historical Museum Committee meeting of December 5, 2011, are hereby adopted.

MARINA

Resolution No. 303-2011

Mackenzie, Dupuis and carried:

That the minutes of the Nipigon Marina Committee meeting of December 7, 2011, are hereby adopted and that recommendation number 1 is approved.

SUNDRIES

EcoSuperior— invitation to workshop focussed on restoring and protecting Lake Superior, to be held January 12, 2012.

NOMA- correspondence regarding Provincial policy development.

Ontario Provincial Police - notice of promotion from Inspector Dwight Thib.

Union Gas - copy of application to the Ontario Energy Board for rate changes effective January 2013

City of Waterloo - resolution regarding service standards for MPAC.

Resolution No. 304-2011

Foulds, Collins and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the submission of a Letter of Intent to the Thunder Bay District Social Services Administrative Board for the development of a Seniors Supportive Housing Project.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Councillor Collins working with the Legion on a building maintenance project, they will request a letter of support from the Township when it is ready for submission.

- Joint Task Force to make a presentation regarding their recommendations, on January 10th.

Resolution No. 305-2011

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Mackenzie, Collins and carried:

That this meeting do now convene to an in-camera session to consider matters respecting the potential hiring of municipal employees.

Resolution No. 306-2011

Foulds, Collins and carried:

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

Resolution No. 307-2011

Mackenzie, Dupuis and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the continuation of the meeting from 10:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Resolution No. 308-2011

Collins, Foulds and carried:

That this meeting do now re-convene to the in-camera session.

Resolution No. 309-2011

Dupuis, Foulds and carried:

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

Resolution No. 310-2011

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m. on motion of *Collins, Mackenzie and carried.*

_____ MAYOR

_____ CLERK