

**TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON  
COUNCIL MEETING, January 22, 2008**

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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Community Centre Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, January 22, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Jonah Dupuis	Acting Mayor
James Foulds	Councillor
Greg Harper	Councillor
Lindsay Mannila	Clerk

Regrets:

Richard Harvey	Mayor
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There were no disclosures of pecuniary interests.

**MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 11-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of January 8, 2008 are hereby adopted as amended and recorded by the Clerk .

**FINANCE**

**Resolution No. 12-2008**

*Foulds, Harper 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. 003- 2008	\$ 23,611.39
Payment Voucher No. 004- 2008	\$ 83,549.83

**Resolution No. 13-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby confirms and approves the following transfers of Reserve Funds for 2007;

*From Reserves to Capital fund*

From:

STP Reserve	\$10,000	STP - design tender as per budget - partially apportioned
Roadwork Reserve	\$74,783	Storm Sewer repair, balance of '06 grant
Waterworks Fund	\$30,000	as per budget apportionment
General Capital	\$ 7,000	Library/Municipal Office - budgeted - part of Municipal cost
General Capital	\$20,000	Downtown Revitalization Project - portion of Municipal costs

*To Reserve Funds from General Funds*

To:

EDC Reserve	\$10,760	Donations/BIA to Downtown Revitalization
Cemetery Reserve	\$ 2,000	as per recommendation unexpended funds
Fire Dept. Reserve	\$10,000	as per budget
Roadwork Reserve	\$64,545.01	portion of '07 Fed Gas Tax Rebate less - HHW expense
Library Reserve	\$ 7,986.02	Public donations and funding to Reserve Fund Account
General Capital	\$30,000	as per budget

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Council received the 2008 Estimated Non-Contract Policing Costs from the OPP and information regarding Business Education Tax from the Ministry of Finance.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Resolution No. 14-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of January 15, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation numbers 1, and 3-20 are approved.

**Resolution No. 15-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves the Municipality of Greenstone acting as the lead municipality and applicant for the FEDNOR and if necessary, NOHFC funding applications for the GEOMA GIS Applications project on behalf of the five municipalities including Nipigon.

Council received the 2006-07 Inspection Report Rating Record from the Ministry of Environment and an update regarding lighting concerns on the Nipigon River Bridge from the Ministry of Transportation.

**RECREATION**

**Resolution No. 16-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That the minutes of Nipigon's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Committee meetings of November 15, 2007 and January 10, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation 1 from January 10, 2008, is approved.

**Resolution No. 17-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That recommendation numbers 1 and 2 from the Recreation Committee meeting of January 21, 2008, are hereby approved.

The proposed budget for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration during budgeting process.

**BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Council set an audience for Hydro One at the February 19, 2008, Council meeting. Hydro One representatives wish to make a deputation to Council in support of their request to be exempted from the Pesticide By-Law. Ministry of Natural Resources representative, R. Swainson, will be invited to attend also.

**CEMETERY**

**Resolution No. 18-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the Cemetery Committee meeting of January 10, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation number 1 is approved.

**MUSEUM**

**Resolution No. 19-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That the minutes of the Nipigon District Historical Museum meeting of January 7, 2008, are hereby adopted.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**Resolution No. 20-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That the minutes of the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department meeting of January 8, 2008, are hereby adopted and that recommendation numbers 1 and 2 are approved.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

*Correspondence:*

Notes from EDC meeting of January 9, 2008 (no quorum)

Government of Canada - Community Development Trust

Confederation College - Green North Eco-Conference, March 18 - 19, 2008

B. Laukkanen - request for audience with Council on February 5, 2008 (approved)

**Resolution No. 21-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves Recommendation numbers 1 - 3 from EDC Coordinator of January 15, 2008.

**Resolution No. 22-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby approves a donation of up to \$500. toward the purchase of 2008 Ice Climb Festival T-Shirts.

**Resolution No. 23-2008**

*Foulds, Harper and carried:*

That this Council hereby confirms that it is prepared to pay the annual MTO licencing fee for three LNWA Hike Nipigon signs along the Highway at a cost of \$360.00.

**SUNDRIES**

*Correspondence:*

*Superior North & Greenstone Mayors Group - minutes of November 30, 2007 meeting*

*Thunder Bay District Health Unit - minutes of November 27, 2007 meeting*

*Thunder Bay District Veterinary Services - notice of AGM, February 27, 2008*

*AMO - Councillor modules offered in Thunder Bay, 2008*

*Fisheries and Oceans Canada - consultation workbook regarding species at risk*

*City of Ottawa - resolution regarding Hotel Tax*

*City of Waterloo - resolution regarding Provincial Sales Tax exemption for Municipalities*

**Resolution No. 24-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

That this Council hereby supports the resolution of the City of Waterloo respecting the request for the Provincial and Federal Governments re-examining how municipalities are funded to ensure sustainable long term infrastructure renewal.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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- Golf Course provided link for their website
- Councillor Foulds reported on Forestry sessions with Minister Cansfield - addressed municipalities needs and changes needed to forest use management
- invitation to George O'Neill Public School Open House on Thursday, January 31, 2008
- notice of By-law to increase water rates at the February 5, 2008, Council meeting
- Hydro One - application to Ontario Energy Board to increase distribution rate
- Finance Committee - budget meeting set for Tuesday, January 29, 2008
- Tree By-law - decided to hold another open house/information session prior to passing

**Resolution No. 25-2008**

*Harper, Foulds, and carried:*

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

**Resolution No. 26-2008**

*Harper, Foulds and carried:*

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

**Resolution No. 27-2008**

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m. on motion of *Foulds, Harper and carried.*