

TOWNSHIP OF NIPIGON
COUNCIL MEETING: March 24, 2009
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A regular meeting of Council was held in the Nipigon Community Centre Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Richard Harvey	Mayor
Greg Harper	Councillor
James Foulds	Councillor
Barry Laukkanen	Councillor
Kelly Paakkunainen	Deputy Clerk

Regrets:

Hoss Pelletier	Councillor
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There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

MINUTES

Resolution No. 071-2009

Foulds, Laukkanen and carried:

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of March 10, 2009, are hereby adopted as recorded by the Clerk.

FINANCE

Resolution No. 072-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds 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. 011-2009	\$ 138,528.80
Payment Voucher No. 012-2009	\$ 29,968.49

Resolution No. 073-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby accepts the Thunder Bay Area Emergency Measures Organization 2009 levy in the amount of \$2,978.00.

Resolution No. 074-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

That this Council agrees to extend their partnership agreement with YES Employment Services for sub-rental of office space in the Labour Adjustment Committee's office for the month of April and authorizes the Deputy Clerk to sign the agreement on the Township's behalf.

Resolution No. 075-2009

Foulds, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council hereby declares a portion of the municipal property described as: Part of East Half Lot 10, Concession 5, Township of Nipigon as surplus for the purpose of sale to the Ministry of Transportation.

Hydro One Networks - information regarding delivery rate changes
Ontario Provincial Police - 2009 Business Plan

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution No. 076-2009

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of March 17, 2009, are hereby adopted and that recommendations 1 to 5 are approved.

Resolution No. 077-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, or his designate, and the Clerk, or his designate, to enter into a contribution agreement with Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to receive funding in the amount of \$40,000 per year for the next 4 years under the Ontario Small Waterworks Assistance Program - Part 2 (OSWAP-2).

Resolution No. 078-2009

Harper, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, or his designate, and the Clerk or his designate, enter into a "Joint Purchase/Use Agreement" with the Township of Red Rock for the purchase of a new garbage truck.

Ministry of Transportation - correspondence regarding winter road conditions, severe weather conditions and highway maintenance.

RECREATION

Resolution No. 079-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby approves the Recreation Director's applications for summer students to the following: Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Health Promotion - Sport and Recreation Branch and Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Councillor Foulds requested the CAO to look into possible funding to hire laid off adult workers for some summer positions.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Resolution No. 080-2009

Harper, Laukkanen and carried:

That the Nipigon Volunteer Fire Department meeting minutes of March 3, 2009, are hereby adopted.

Resolution No. 081-2009

Harper, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council strongly urges that the Provincial Government take immediate action to implement Presumptive Legislative Regulations to include Volunteer and Part-Time firefighters.

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

Council received a news bulletin from AMO regarding the provincial ban of pesticides, effective April 22, 2009.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Land of Nipigon Chamber of Commerce - minutes of meeting on February 19, 2009

Paro Centre - notice of media event at Skandia House on March 25

CEMETERY

Resolution No. 082-2009

Laukkanen, Foulds and carried:

That the minutes of the Cliffside Cemetery Committee meeting of March 19, 2009, are hereby adopted.

MUSEUM

Resolution No. 083-2009

Foulds, Laukkanen and carried:

That the Nipigon Historical Museum Committee meeting minutes of March 2, 2009, are hereby adopted.

Recommendation No. 1 was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

SUNDRIES

Nipigon Watershed Advisory Committee - minutes of meeting on March 4, agenda for meeting on April 1, 2009

MMAH - Northwest Planning Connection 2009, seminar on March 26 and 27

Ministry of Research and Innovation - investing in Emerging Technologies funding

OSUM - Conference and Trade Show in Cornwall, May 6 to 8

Polaris Institute - alternatives to bottled water in municipal buildings

NOMA - request for door prizes for the AGM and Conference in April

Ministry of Natural Resources - 2009 - 2010 work schedules for area forests

DSSAB - resolution regarding federal funding for Best Start programs, Councillor Foulds to get more information at the next board meeting

Municipality of South Bruce - resolution regarding Ontario Conservation Authorities funding

Ministry of Government Services - correspondence regarding charitable gaming

Resolution No. 084-2009

Laukkanen, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby declares the hour between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, 2009, as Earth Hour and will encourage all municipal buildings to turn off their lights if it is safe to do so.

Resolution No. 085-2009

Laukkanen, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby supports The Corporation of the Town of Mattawa's petitions to the Federal and Provincial governments in requesting reconsideration for Federal and Provincial funding formulas.

Resolution No. 086-2009

Harper, Laukkanen and carried:

That this Council hereby supports the City of Sault Ste. Marie and their position regarding the intent of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and Ministry policies for medical specialists and resulting health care services.

OTHER BUSINESS

Resolution No. 087-2009

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby accepts the minutes of the Nipigon Marina Committee meeting of March 12, 2009, and recommendation #1 is approved.

Resolution No. 088-2009

Laukkanen, Harper and carried:

That this meeting do now adjourn to an in-camera (closed) session to consider matters respecting identifiable individuals.

Resolution No. 089-2009

Harper, Laukkanen and carried:

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

Resolution No. 090-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council extends this meeting of Council for an additional 15 minutes.

Resolution No. 091-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council goes back in-camera session to discuss confidential matters.

Resolution No. 092-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

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

Resolution No. 093-2009

Foulds, Harper and carried:

That this Council hereby authorizes the Clerk, or his designate, to accept CCO's #1 to 5 and #7 and also directs the Clerk, or his designate, to agree to CCO #6 once the costing is finalized and is consistent with the information provided by Wickham Consulting for the Paddle to the Sea/Downtown Revitalization Project.

Resolution No. 094-2009

Harper, Foulds and carried:

That this Council hereby authorizes the Clerk, or his designate, and the Mayor, or his designate, to enter into an agreement with Ontario Trillium Foundation for funding in the amount of \$110,000. for a new ice plant.

Resolution No. 095-2009

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

_____ MAYOR

_____ CLERK