The minutes of the inaugural meeting of Dawson Twp Council held on Wednesday December 3rd, 2014 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT Mayor L Armstrong. Councillors: D Hartnell, B Langner & V Murray. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Rd Supt/Fire Chief: Randy Asselin. The Clerk-Treasurer administered the Oath of Office to the members of Council (Councillor Jodoin having completed her Oath previously). Mayor Armstrong congratulated the members of Council and welcomed them to office. The Clerk-Treasurer gave a presentation on processes, by-law, policies and general information on the workings of the municipality and answered questions from the new members. The regular meeting of Council followed.

MINUTES #14-77 HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held November 5th, 2014, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #14–78 MURRAY & LANGNER & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$127,808.12 which representing disbursements for the month of November, be approved for payment.

BANK #14-79 LANGNER & MURRAY & CARRIED that the following be authorized as signing officers for our CIBC bank account(s): the Clerk-Treasurer plus any one member of Council.

BY-LAW 354 #14-80 HARNTELL & LANGNER & CARRIED that By-law No 354 being the By-law 353 Repeal By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 355 #14-81 MURRAY & HARNTELL & CARRIED that By-law No 355 being the Plan M90, M92, M96, SM10, SM15, SM85 and SM99 Deregistration By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 356 #14-82 HARNTELL & LANGNER & CARRIED that By-law No 356 being the OCIF Funding Agreement By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 357 #14-83 HARNTELL & LANGNER & CARRIED that By-law No 357 being the 2014 Drainage Maintenance Rating By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 358 #14-84 HARNTELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that By-law No 358 being the Auditor Appointment By-law, be enacted.

BOARDS #14-85 MURRAY & LANGNER & CARRIED that the following appointments be approved as our representative on RRDSAB: B Langner, RRDMA: L Armstrong, Locum Housing: V Murray, Local Government Network: L Armstrong and B Jodoin as alternate, WRRFD: B Langner & D Hartnell.

AG PERMIT #14-86 MURRAY & HARTNELL & CARRIED that pursuant to the recommendation of the Road Superintendent, Council authorize the surrender of the aggregate permit #10638 in the NW ¼ of Sec 7 Plan SM-75. The permit area contains only sand and not any usable gravel.

DRAIN #14-87 MURRAY & LANGNER & CARRIED that pursuant to a notice of intent to abandon Drains 12 & 17 of Nussbaumer Drain 2004 and a request by one of the property owners for an engineer's report on the abandonment, Council not proceed with the proposed abandonment of Drain 17. The affected owners are to be notified.

WRITE OFFS #14-88 HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that pursuant to Minutes of Settlement and Section 357 applications, the following tax write offs be approved, General \$2,105.85 and Education \$822.41, and a total of \$2,928.26.

CHRISTMAS #14-89 MURRAY & HARTNELL & CARRIED that Council authorize a \$75.00 gift certificate from Beaver Mills Market for Christmas Bonus for Randy, Dave, Larry & Patrick. And further that Council authorizes payment of \$150.00 for the fire fighters Christmas gathering.

**OTHER** 

The Rd Supt reported with little snow so far this year only the surface treated roads have required plowing and the required sanding has been completed. Equipment is serviced and ready, Council clarified some issues related to bank time and other personnel matters for the roads department. An inventory of equipment will be produced for council members. Council is suggesting quotes for a canopy on the dozer rather than selling the unit. Nelles requested we share in expenditures of \$6,000 each for maintenance of the Nelles Dilke Townline Rd for 2015, Council concurs with the request. Randy reported on the Fire Dept as well with 21 calls during 2014, training and exercises have been completed throughout the year. The Clerk-Treasurer provided updates to Council including a budget update, OCIF funding agreement, OP review, 2015 OMPF will remain the same as in 2014. The annual compliance report for Emergency Measures was signed for submission. The Clerk-Treasurer also provided updates on the completion of the Bay St ramp project and the plan for replacement of Pinewood streetlights. One owner requested an engineer's report for the proposed abandonment of Drain 17 of the Nussbaumer Drain 2004, see #14-87 above, a by-law will be prepared for the abandonment of Drain 12 as only the property owner that requested the abandonment is affected by this drain. Notice that the Fort Frances mill will be heated for the winter was received. Council will appoint members for other committees including roads and recreation next meeting. The reconciliation of OPP cost means a refund of \$1166.

ADJOURN	#14-90 HARTNELL & LANGNER & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 10:05 p.m.	
	Mayor	Clerk