

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Twp Council held on Wednesday February 6th 2018 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers.

- PRESENT** Mayor B Langner. Councillors: D Drennan, D Hartnell, B Jodoin and V Murray. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin.
- MINUTES #18-10 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held January 3rd 2018, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #18-11 MURRAY & DRENNAN & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amount of \$92,360.14 which representing disbursements for the month of January, be approved for payment.
- FIRE #18-12 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that Council receives the shared 2018 budget of \$238,800 (\$70,800 operating and \$168,000 capital) for the WRRFD and approves our portion in the amount of \$79,600.
- CWWF #18-13 HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED** that the Mayor be authorized to sign Amendment No. 1 to the CWWF agreement on behalf of the municipality.
- CPI #18-14 MURRAY & DRENNAN & CARRIED** that pursuant to the recently published CPI for Dec 2016 to Dec 2017 showing a 1.9% increase and to our Human Resource Policies, the wages and salaries be increased January 1st 2018 by 1.9%.
- FINANCIAL #18-15 MURRAY & DRENNAN & CARRIED** that Council approves the draft Financial Statements for the year 2017. The Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer are authorized to sign the statements.
- POST OFFICE #18-16 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the Clerk-Treasurer write a letter to Canada Post on behalf of the ratepayers in the Sleeman area expressing concern of Council with a proposal to reduce hours of operation in the Sleeman Post Office. This Post Office provides a vital service to the area citizens.
- BUSSING #18-17 MURRAY & HARTNELL & CARRIED** that the Town of Rainy River be advised that the Township of Dawson will support their efforts to obtain funding under the Community Transportation Grant Program for bus service that services the area west of Highway 71.
- OTHER** The Rd Supt/Fire Chief reported on plowing and pushing back snow bank operations, our loader backhoe will receive some major repairs and maintenance in order to keep it operating in the future. Council again discussed the possible construction of a salt and sand structure. On the fire department the proposed budget was discussed and the water supply in the Pinewood area continues to be a concern as the well freezes in the winter so modifications to it and or a dry hydrant will be installed. The Fire Chief to check on government agencies in regards to any permits that may be necessary. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including an update to the 2017 budget from the audited financials, the draft

financials were available for review, OMPF payment of \$129,825, various government reports that have been filed, the 2017 report to council on Building Permit fees, notice of polling places for Provincial Election June 7th, new fire regulations for training and community risk assessments, changes to CUETS credit card, we will consider changing to a credit union VISA card. A notice of a provincial grant of \$36440 for downtown revitalization was received however there are no guidelines on the use of these funds at this time. No action taken on request for funding for a fish derby in Rainy River.

ADJOURN #18-18 MURRAY & HARNTTELL & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk