

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Twp Council held on Wednesday January 7<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers.

- PRESENT Mayor L Armstrong. Councillors: D Hartnell, B Jodoin & V Murray. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Rd Supt/Fire Chief: Randy Asselin.
- MINUTES **#15-01** MURRAY & HARTNELL & CARRIED that the minutes of the inaugural meeting of Council held December 3rd, 2014, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS **#15-02** HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$41,948.09 which representing disbursements for the month of December, be approved for payment.
- BY-LAW 359 **#15-03** HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that By-law No 359 being the Drain 12 Nussbaumer Drain 2004 abandonment By-law, be enacted.
- DRAIN SUPT **#15-04** MURRAY & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council authorize an application for drainage superintendent grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the fiscal year 2015/2016.
- COUNCIL **#15-05** HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council authorize the following to attend the annual Councillor Orientation meeting in Emo, January 30 2015: Linda Armstrong, B Jodoin, B Langner, D Hartnell, V Murray.
- RRDMA **#15-06** HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council authorize the following to attend the annual Rainy River District Municipal Association meeting in Emo, January 31 2015: Linda Armstrong, B Jodoin, B Langner, D Hartnell, V Murray & P W Giles and further that a donation of \$100.00 be authorized for a coffee break at the conference.
- RRDFC **#15-07** MURRAY & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council authorize a letter of support for the RRFDC application for funding to NOHFC and FedNor for the West Rainy River District Broadband Upgrade Project.
- IN CAMERA **#15-08** HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council go in camera at 9:05 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. The meeting was declared open at 9:50 p.m.
- WAGES **#15-09** HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that Council authorize the adjustments in salaries, wages & remuneration as discussed.
- ROADS **#15-10** HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that Bill Langner & Doug Hartnell be appointed as the Road Committee.
- OTHER The Rd Supt reported on snow plowing, ice scrapping and sanding operations, Council suggested a need for some intersections to be brushed back. The Rd Supt reported on the cost for a canopy on the dozer however there may be trouble in get parts for the steering clutch. Randy reported on the Fire Dept which has been quiet this past month the next committee meeting is scheduled for Jan 14. MNR advised that the ag permit is now considered surrendered and we have no further responsibility with it. Council discussed the sale of unused road allowance near the Rainy River however they confirmed previous council's decision to not dispose of such road allowances. The Clerk-Treasurer is to write a letter to D Fraser requesting that he remove his travel trailer from the road allowance & A Davidson to remove items from back lane in Plan M96. The Clerk-Treasurer provided updates to Council including a budget update, rebate of supplemental levy by RRDSSAB ambulance (\$3852.77), a refund by NWHU of \$1,375.00. WSIB is rate doing down for 2015. A 25 year service pin has been received for presentation to former Mayor Eltjo Wiersema. Council discussed the cost to rent space in our north fire hall. Candidate financial reports for the recent municipal election are due. Councillor Jodoin will check into a system for fees at the Bay St ramp. A follow up meeting on the FF mill and forest management was held in Fort Frances today.
- ADJOURN **#15-11** HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

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