

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Twp Council held on Wednesday November 6th, 2013 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers.

**PRESENT** Mayor E Wiersema. Councillors: A Desaulniers, B Jodoin & A Wiersema Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Rd Supt/Fire Chief R Asselin.

**PUBLIC MTG** Council held a public meeting on the consideration of a by-law that would permanently extinguish our rights at the Worthington Rd 4 crossing. The status of the crossing would change from Restricted Access to Permanently Closed. Council had previously by By-law 163 restricted access to this crossing and are now seeking to close it. No members of the public attended the meeting or offer comments. The meeting was declared closed at 7:10 p.m.

**MINUTES** #13-74 WIERSEMA & DESAULNIERS & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held October 2nd, 2013, be approved as printed.

**ACCOUNTS** #13-75 JODOIN & WIERSEMA & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$96,590.61 and representing disbursements for the month of October be approved for payment.

**BUDREAU** 13-76 JODOIN & WIERSEMA & CARRIED that Pursuant to Consent 34B1201 (L&L Budreau) conditions, Council consent to the lot addition of Parts 5, 13 & 14 48R4357 to an original parcel and the reestablishment of the property line between Parts 2 & 3 Plan RR297/Parts 14 & 15 48R4357 that was inadvertently removed by a transfer between adjoining owners. The Northwestern Health Unit has indicated, in their Oct 25 2013 report, that the properties are satisfactory for On Site Sewage Disposal.

**BY-LAW 337** 13-77 DESAULNIERS & JODOIN & CARRIED that By-law No 337 being the Worthington Rd 4 Closure Grant Agreement By-law, be enacted.

**BY-LAW 338** 13-78 JODOIN & WIERSEMA & CARRIED that By-law No 338 being the Worthington Rd 4 Public Crossing Closure By-law, be enacted.

**PATULLO** 13-79 WIERSEMA & DESAULNIERS & CARRIED that Dawson Council supports the joint effort of area municipalities to install a replacement tower for 911 communications at the Patullo Tower Site. Further that the group of municipalities approach MNR with a proposal to either purchase the Patullo Tower site or failing that enter into a Licence of Occupation for the site, with associated costs being shared amongst the affected municipalities. Council further commits to share the costs of the installation of the donated tower and the ongoing costs of operation of the site. Council supports the Township of Morley taking the lead role in the project.

**BAY ST** 13-80 JODOIN & DESAULNIERS & CARRIED that Council authorize a boat launch ramp replacement at Bay St in Pinewood. And further that Harrold McQuaker's quote for a ramp be accepted and construction authorized.

**LANDFILL** 13-81 WIERSEMA & JODOIN & CARRIED that Council receive the Report on Closure Costs and Life Expectancy Worthington Landfill Site as prepared by K Smart Associates Limited and dated November 6 2013.

**CHRISTMAS** 13-82 DESAULNIERS & WIERSEMA & CARRIED that Council authorize a \$75.00 gift certificate from Beaver Mills Market for Christmas Bonus for Randy, Dave, Larry & Patrick.

**EOI** 13-83 JODOIN & DESAULNIERS & CARRIED that Council acknowledges the allocation of \$20,490.59 under the Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Program – Capacity Funding. And further acknowledge that the Clerk-Treasurer has submitted an EOI for the use of the funds in for small capital projects and/or acquisition of asset management software which are eligible purposes under the program.

OTHER

The Rd Supt had submitted his written report on road work completed during the month and tire replacement on plow truck, will seek a standby plow operator, with the Clerk will send billing information and release form to property owners wanting driveway plowing. Energy Save representative will be on hand soon to review our lights in buildings and issue a work order for the grant portion of costs. New shed was moved to the dump. The Fire Chief, Clerk Aime & Archie attended the MNR meeting regarding the removal of Patullo Tower, see 13-79. The next Fire Committee meeting is Nov 13. The monthly CBO report was received and reviewed. The Mayor and Clerk attend the OPP billing consultations, significant increase in costs to us if it proceeds, each Councillor must express their concern on the OPP website. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items: a budget update, level of service policy, all the land sales are completed as well as the name changes on title except those under Public Authority having Jurisdiction, MMAH Financial Indicator report, OMPF & POA payments, EOI for SR&NMIF, tax sale & arrears notices were mailed, updated computer program for taxes is being reviewed. The Mayor & Clerk met with Transport Canada and CNR regarding closing Worthington Rd 4 crossing. Information for LAS Fuel Procurement Program was submitted. Council will make no changes to municipal election boundaries for 2014 election. Councillor Jodoin reported on discussion for replacement of the ramp at Bay St and use of fee drop box, MNR application will be filed for the project. Mark Jodoin has expressed interest in be qualified to apply herbicides for brush control, Council is willing to use his services. Many drains are having beaver activity and the Drain Supt is to investigate the drains this week.

ADJOURN #13-84 WIERSEMA & JODOIN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk