

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Township Council, held on Wednesday November 3rd 2021 at 7 pm in the Municipal Office.

PRESENT Mayor B Langner. Councillors: B Jodoin, D Hartnell, C Larocque & B Sands.
Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin.

MINUTES #21-72 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held October 6th 2021, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #21-73 SANDS & HARTNELL & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$138,825.69 and representing disbursements for the month October 2021, be approved for payment.

CN #21-74 JODOIN & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that the CN be advised that the Township of Dawson is willing to enter into a lease agreement to cover a portion of their property in Pinewood. The lease will cover the portion of their property adjacent to our sports field where some of our structures are located

OTHER The Rd Supt reported on road work including brushing has resumed, gravelling on Morrison and Cupp Roads was completed, plow equipment is being installed, winter sand will be put up next week, some brushing on the Wiersema Drain was completed, the mulcher will be installed next March. The fire department was called to a fatal vehicle accident on Hwy 621 last week, counselling is being held for the members that we involved. The Clerk-Treasurer will respond to a letter from M&M Greenwood to confirm that the township will over time continue with its brush removal program on our rights-of way. Council discussed two options for the floor in the proposed public works garage addition, either gravel or concrete. Council discussed the need for a by-law enforcement specifically for properties not in compliance with our zoning, the Town of Rainy River is undertaking a survey on the municipal need for such a position. Dawson would likely have very limited need for such a function, but will continue to investigate the available options. Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including a budget update, group insurance change over, upcoming renewal of our municipal insurance, QR download options, various memberships and levies including at WSIB rate increase of 1 cent to \$3.01, the 4th ¼ OMPF payment of \$124,875 was received and confirmation that our 2022 allocation will be cut by \$5700 to \$493,800. Tax arrears and tax sale notices have been sent out and over \$11,000 has been collected in outstanding taxes. The Clerk will be on vacation Nov 15 to 24th and the office will be closed. The Clerk had met with reps from the Société Economique de L' Ontario and discussed their initiatives to encourage Francophone businesses to establish in northern Ontario. The CBO report on building permits was received. A thank you was received from the Rainy River Curling Club for our financial support.

ADJOURN #21-75 HARTNELL & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Mayor _____ Clerk