

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Twp Council held on Wednesday October 3rd 2018 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers.

**PRESENT** Mayor B Langner. Councillors: D Drennan, D Hartnell and B Jodoin. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin.

**MINUTES #18-71 DRENNAN & HARTNELL & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held September 5th 2018, be approved as printed.

**ACCOUNTS #18-72 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amount of \$374,548.03 which representing disbursements for the month of September, be approved for payment.

**BY-LAW 409 #18-73 HARTNELL & DRENNAN & CARRIED** that By-law No 409, being the 2018 Advance Poll By-law, be enacted.

**VACANCY #18-74 HARTNELL & DRENNAN & CARRIED** that pursuant to Sections 259 & 262 of the Municipal Act, Council declare the seat of Councillor Vaughn Murray vacant.

**OTHER** The Rd Supt/Fire Chief reported on screening operation with 3000 yards completed and some used on Blue Rd #6, winter sand will be put up soon, the 740 grader will have new tires. Signs posting Wilson Creek Rd as year round load restriction are to be placed. The Fire Chief reported that the department activities have been light with one vehicle accident extrication. Another supplier of GPS services will give a demo next week (mapping is still a problem with the present system). The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items including the upcoming Fire Committee meeting in Rainy River Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, our 2019 OPP costs of \$79770 down from \$81,649 in 2018, training on asset management in Thunder Bay, and the AMP it up 2.0 program, our reduced Federal Gas Tax revenues for the period 2019-2023 and a budget update. The Clerk reported that he has unsuccessfully tried to get our drainage engineer to respond to inquiries on the Campbell & Rempel Drains. Council wants further information on a policy on cannabis use by our employees and to opt out of cannabis retail facilities in the township. The Ministry of Finance advises that they are still working on regulations for high tonnage rate. The new cemetery program is installed and operational. The Clerk-Treasurer is to write the Town of Rainy River and advise that Railway Ave will not be available for a detour route in the event they require a detour during work on Atwood Ave. Councillor Hartnell will lay the wreath at the Remembrance Day service in Rainy River. Mayor Langner & Councillor Jodoin reported on the recent RRDMA meeting and the presentation on Rainycrest and its challenges to overcome in order to open for admissions.

**ADJOURN #18-75 DRENNAN & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

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