

MINUTES of a Meeting of Council for the Township of North Frontenac, held Thursday, March 22, 2007 at the Snow Road Community Hall, Snow Road, Ontario

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Maguire; Councillor Fred Perry and Councillor Wayne Good – Ward 1; Councillor Lonnie Watkins; Deputy Mayor Jim Beam and Councillor Bob Olmstead – Ward 3.

ALSO PRESENT: Cheryl Robson, CAO; Brenda Defosse, Clerk; Anne Prichard, Executive Director of the FCFDC; Guy Laporte, Manager, and Steve Saxton of TSH; David Rose, President of the Pine Lake Property Owners Association.

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Councillor Wayne Cole – Ward 2

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Good declared an interest in Bills and Accounts.

3. DELEGATIONS

a) Frontenac Community Futures Development Corporation (FCFDC) – Anne Prichard , Executive Director - Overview of Services Provided.
(Brochure attached)

b) Totten Sims Hubicki (TSH) – Guy Laporte, Manager – Review of Annual Reports for Waste Disposal Sites.

-Ministry of the Environment - copy of Memorandum re: Ardoch Waste Site Development, Operation and Closure Plan and the 2005 Monitoring Report. Reports were distributed to all of Council prior to the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, seconded by Councillor Good #125-07
THAT Totten, Sims, Hubicki (TSH) is authorized to submit the 2006 Annual Report for the 506 Waste Disposal Site; the Mississippi Waste Disposal Site; the Ardoch Waste Disposal Site and the Ompah Transfer Station and Closed Waste Disposal Site, by March 31, 2007 – MOE deadline.

Carried

c) David Rose, President of the Pine Lake Property Owners Association. To present the views of the Pine Lake property owners.

(Presentation attached)

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE)

a) Regular Meeting of Council – March 8, 2007.

b) Fire and Emergency Services Committee Meeting – March 7, 2007.

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good #126-07
THAT the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held March 8, 2007 and the Minutes of a Fire and Emergency Services Committee meeting held March 7, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

a) FCM – Jacques Whitford Letter of Intent to apply for a grant with respect to the implementation of Municipal Solid Waste Diversion Projects, submitted as drafted. It was noted that if funding is approved, Addington Highlands Township should be involved in the detailed proposal.

b) Emergency Management Program Committee – Request to rescind Resolution #107-07 and rename this Council Committee “Essential Level Emergency Management Program Committee” and the representatives shall be the same as the Council’s Fire and Emergency Services Committee.

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good #127-07

THAT Council Resolution #107-07 regarding the new Emergency Management Program Committee is hereby rescinded;

AND THAT such Committee shall be renamed “Essential Level Emergency Management Program Committee” and the members of this committee shall be the same members and Chairperson as Council’s Fire and Emergency Services Committee.

Carried

6. OLD BUSINESS

None discussed.

7. COMMUNICATIONS – Administrative Report

Section A

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good #128-07

THAT Section A Items of the Clerk’s Administrative Report entitled Communications of Interest to Council dated March 22, 2007, as set out below, be received for information.

AMO/MFOA Bulletins, Etc.

- a) FYI #07-002 – Invitation to a Provincial Forum of the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination.
 - b) FYI #07-003 – Invitation to Technology Transfer Forum, for Drinking Water and Sewage Works.
 - c) FYI #07-004 - The Ontario Rural Council Public Issue Forum on Rural Broadband.
 - d) Alert #07/010 - Use of Enhanced 911 Information for Community Notification Services.
 - e) Alert #07/012 - HealthForce Ontario Recruitment Centre.
 - f) Alert #07/013 - Notification Process for Permits Seized under MTO’s Accessible Parking Permit (APP) Program.
 - g) AMO NewsfLASH – LAS Electricity and Natural Gas (January issues)
1. AMO letter to Mayor Maguire re: Federal Gas Tax Agreement.
 2. Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities - All Mine Managers and MTCU Mining Program Signing Authorities and Training.
 3. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) - News Release on Greenbelts.

4. MMAH Backgrounder on Greenbelt Protection.
5. Progressive Conservative John Tory – Eastern Ontario Deserves Some Respect.
6. Limestone District School Board (LSDB) Director’s Annual Report.
7. LSDB Letter to Mayor Re: Marine Museum of the Great Lakes, Kingston.
8. MMAH Update for March 2007.
9. The Hockey Moms and Dads Association – Plevna outdoor rink – Thank you letter.
10. Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (MVC) - 39th Annual Meeting minutes.
11. MVC letter to Frontenac Ventures Corporation with regards to mining claims.
12. Ontario Human Rights Commission invitation to CAO or designate to attend the provincial forum of the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination.

Carried

Section B – Action items:

1. Ontario Forestry Coalition’s request for support Re: Proposed Species at Risk Legislation

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good #129-07

THAT WHEREAS the Government of Ontario posted it’s framework for the development of Species at Risk legislation on the Environmental Bill of Rights web site on December 22, 2006, the day that most Municipal offices closed until the New Year, and

WHEREAS the currently proposed language to address species at risk could impose moratoriums affecting the livelihoods of more than 1.2 million people and more than \$100 billion in economic activity, and

WHEREAS there are 12 Provincial and 5 Federal pieces of Legislation including the Federal Species At Risk Act (SARA) and the Provincial Endangered Species Act of 1971 that currently provide protection for some species, and

WHEREAS the new proposed Ontario Species of Risk Legislation as written will:

- add a new and costly layer of bureaucracy and regulatory burden
- create an Act that will not achieve recovery of endangered species
- impose an Act that will not be supported by the landowners, land stewards, employers, unions and developers
- create a further disincentive to invest in Ontario
- result in a loss of jobs
- result in a loss of economic opportunity, and

WHEREAS the currently proposed framework for a species at risk is wrong for Ontario and will negatively impact the farming community, the forestry and mining sectors, the urban planners and homebuilders, fur managers, anglers and hunters, sand, stone and gravel industry, hydro electric developers and many, many others, and

WHEREAS public hearings by a Legislative Committee prior to Second Reading adoption by the Ontario Legislature will allow for a full and proper debate on the principle of the Bill not just how well the clauses meet the intent of the Act

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of North Frontenac write to the Premier of Ontario requesting that full public hearings be held into the proposed Species at Risk Act and that those hearings be held prior to Second Reading by the Ontario Legislature, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this resolution and the letter to the Premier be forwarded to those listed below:

Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Ontario Good Roads Association
Rural Ontario Municipal Association
Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
Hon. Greg Sorbara, Minister of Finance
Hon. Leona Dombrowsky, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Hon. Sandra Pupatello, Minister of Economic Development & Trade
Hon. Dwight Duncan, Minister of Energy
Hon. Marie Bountrogianni, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs
Hon. John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. David Ramsay, Minister of Natural Resources
Hon. Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Northern Development and Mines
Hon. David Caplan, Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal
John Tory, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario
Howard Hampton, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Ontario
Ontario Waterpower Association
Ontario Lumber Manufacturer's Association
Ontario Forest Industries Association
Ontario Fur Managers Federation
Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters
Ontario Mining Association
Ontario Federation of Agriculture
Ontario Stone, Sand and Gravel Association
Greater Toronto Home Builders' Association - Urban Development Institute
Area Members of the Ontario Legislature

Carried

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD / COUNCIL MEMBER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a) REDPC – Plevna Library Update.

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Olmstead #130-07

THAT the REDPC's Administrative Report dated March 15, 2007 entitled Plevna Library Update be received for information.

Carried

b) REDPC - Asset Management Program Grant - Expression of Interest.

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Olmstead #131-07

THAT Council directs the Recreation/Economic Development Program Coordinator to submit an Expression of Interest for the Asset Management Program (AMP) component of the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMRIF) by

the March 31, 2007 deadline for the purposes of training, software purchases and hiring additional staff if required, to increase the knowledge of the municipality's infrastructure assets.

Carried

c) REDPC – Summer Student Funding.

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Olmstead #132-07

THAT Council directs the R.E.D.P.C. to apply for funding for 10 summer students and advertise these possible positions in the Frontenac News and on the Township website. If the municipality receives funding for 10 summer students and these positions are approved by Council in the 2007 budget, the appropriate Department Head would then hire personnel based on applications received and by following Township interview process as approved by the C.A.O. to fill the positions.

Carried

d) REDPC – CLSP Personnel Positions.

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins #133-07

THAT Council instructs the CAO to revise the Township Organization Chart, by deleting CLSP Manager and Assistant Manager and by adding CLSP Field Supervisor;

And that, Council approves the new Role Description for the CLSP Field Supervisor, at the same salary level as the former CLSP Managers position;

And that the REDPC be directed to explain the new position to the previous CLSP Manager, to ensure there is a clear understanding of the new job requirements, prior to the start date of April 2, 2007;

And that, Council instruct the REDPC to ensure that all CLSP vehicle(s) and equipment be returned to the Old MNR Buildings in Plevna on a daily basis.

Carried

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, seconded by Councillor Perry #138-07

THAT the CAO is authorized to obtain two additional Corporate Credit Cards for the on-line reservation system where patrons can purchase permits for the Crown Roads and/or Campsites by using cash only (if they do not have a personal credit card) and the vendors shall reserve these campsites on the Township's Parkland website when they are purchased to try and avoid duplicate bookings.

AND THAT the maximum limit of these credit cards shall be \$1,000.00 each.

AND THAT the CAO is authorized to instruct the Township's Solicitor to prepare an Agreement for the two Vendors signatures that they are responsible for all expenditures on the Credit Cards, other than those relating to the Crown Land Stewardship Program On Line Reservation System.

Carried

e) CBO – Building Activity Report for February 2007.

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins #134-07

THAT the CBO's Building Activity Report for February 2007 be received for information.

Carried

f) PWM – Tree Removal at Kashwakamak Waste Site.
Dealt with at the Special Meeting of Council March 19, 2007.

9. TASK FORCE NOTES AND REPORTS

None

10. BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Good had declared a Pecuniary Interest at the start of the meeting and he refrained from the discussion and/or voting.

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Watkins #135-07

THAT, the following Vouchers in the amount of \$58,617.23 be approved for payment:

- March 9, 2007 @ \$ 8,757.66 2007 EXPENSES
- March 13, 2007 @ \$ 8,341.94 2006 EXPENSES
- March 13, 2007 @ \$ 476.26 2006 EXPENSES
- March 16, 2007 @ \$ 41,041.37 2007 EXPENSES

Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS

a) Fire Department Application for Membership – Snow Road Station

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins #136-07

THAT Council accepts the appointment of to George Weiss the North Frontenac Volunteer Fire Department, as recommended by the Fire Chief.

Carried

b) MNR Proposed Meteorological Tower on Crown Land – FYI

It was the consensus of Council that the actual company and the MNR both together attend an upcoming Council meeting once the details are known.

c) 2006 Surplus

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good #137-07

THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac instruct the Treasurer to transfer the 2006 surplus over \$150,000.00 to the North Frontenac Capital Contingency Reserve Fund, to be used for capital projects.

Carried

12. OTHER BUSINESS – Verbal Reports

- a) Ardoch Algonquin First Nations & Allies (AAFNA) Mayor Maguire
Nothing further to what was said during delegation 3 a).
- b) Clar/Mill Community Archives Councillor Watkins
Watkins attended Tuesday’s History Evening at which Col. St. Pierre gave a very informative presentation. The Committee is willing to raise their budget through fundraising activities and are looking for Council’s support in the continued use of the website in posting up-coming events and by assisting with finding more guest speakers.
- c) Community Facilitation Team Re: “Engaging Deputy Mayor Beam
People in Building Inclusive Communities”

Beam attended the first meeting on March 14, 2007. There are to be 4 or 5 information sessions sponsored by Community Living Ontario. Posters are to be ready for the April 11, 2007 meeting. Beam volunteered to put info in the community information sections of the Frontenac News.

- d) Economic Development Envelope - Councillor Olmstead
Olmstead advised he attended a meeting yesterday and plans to attend another meeting tomorrow at the County. The "Business Retention and Expansion" was very informative.
- e) Environmental Envelope - Deputy Mayor Beam
 - i) Madawaska Highlands/Timber Management /Fish & Wildlife
Nothing to report.
 - ii) Mississippi Valley Conservation
Beam agreed to attend the Economic Development Tourism Workshop.
- f) Social Services Envelope - Councillor Cole-absent
 - i) Pine Meadow Nursing Home
 - ii) Rural Routes Transportation Services

13. BY-LAWS

- a) **By-law #20-07** – To authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a Funding Agreement under Intake Three of the COMRIF with respect to the Household Hazardous Waste Centres.

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins #139-07

THAT By-law #20-07 being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a Funding Agreement under Intake Three of the COMRIF with respect to the Household Hazardous Waste Centres be read a first and second time.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins #140-07

THAT By-law #20-07 be read a third time and finally passed.

Carried

14. CLOSED SESSION

None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, seconded by Councillor Perry #141-07

THAT the meeting adjourns at 12:05 p.m. until April 12, 2007 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk