

MINUTES of a Meeting of Council for the Township of North Frontenac, held Thursday, May 22, 2008 at the Snow Road Community Hall, 14073 Road 509, Snow Road, Ontario

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Jim Beam and Councillor Bob Olmstead – Ward 3; Councillor Fred Perry and Councillor Wayne Good – Ward 1; Councillor Wayne Cole and Councillor Lonnie Watkins – Ward 2.

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Mayor Ron Maguire

ALSO PRESENT: Brenda Defosse, Clerk; Jenny Duhamel, Deputy Clerk and John Ibey, PWM.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None

3. DELEGATIONS

None

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE)

Councillor Cole asked to move the May 8, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes to Closed Session for discussion as it may include discussing personnel.

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Cole #248-08

THAT the Minutes of Meetings of the Joint Board of Management for the Kaladar-Barrie Fire Department dated January 15, 2008; February 5, 2008 as amended, and March 6, 2008 be received for information;

~~**AND THAT** the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council dated May 8, 2008 be adopted as circulated;~~

AND THAT the Minutes of a Closed Meeting of Council dated May 8, 2008 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

Beam advised he has received a further email from Dave Winney regarding Chris' Amazing Race, stating he (Winney) has received much pressure to have the race go ahead on the originally scheduled date in 2008, so it will continue as originally scheduled. Winney will contact the REDPC.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a) Perry asked what was happening regarding Hazardous Waste Depots.

The Clerk advised this is in the hands of the consultant. The draft Certificate of Approval has been received from the Ministry of Environment (MOE) and reviewed by the Clerk, PWM and consultant for comments and returned to the MOE. We are now waiting for the final Certificate from the MOE.

7. COMMUNICATIONS – Administrative Report

Section A

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Cole

#249-08

THAT Section A Items of the Clerk's Administrative Report entitled Communications of Interest to Council dated May 15, 2008, as set out below, be received for information.

AMO/Ministry Bulletins, Etc.

AMO FYI #08-006 – Request for Expressions of Interest – Blue Box Recycling Training Implementation

Alert #08/022 – Provincial Government's Solar Task Force Seeks Input

1. MPAC – 2007 Annual Report and Financial Statements
2. Ontario East Economic Development Commission – Tourism Business Investment One Day Workshop June 3, 2008
3. Ontario Public Works Association – Drinking Water Quality Management Standard Practice Workshop Agenda and Registration Form for June 5, 2008 in Mississauga
4. AMO Annual Conference – “Leading Beyond Tomorrow” – August 24 – 27, 2008
5. Federation of Canadian Municipalities – 71st Annual Conference May 30 to June 2, 2008 – Quebec City, Quebec
6. Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection *Draft* Terms of Reference (46 pages – a copy can be obtained from the Clerk)
7. Quinte Source Protection Region *Draft* Terms of Reference (76 pages – a copy can be obtained from the Clerk)
8. Quinte Source Protection Meeting Agenda and Quinte Conservation Meeting Agenda – each to be held May 29, 2008 and Draft Minutes of May 1, 2008
9. Ontario Power Generation's semi-annual Performance Report for the 2007 Performance (CD can be borrowed from the Clerk)
10. Letter from the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services re: 2008 Municipal obligations re: Emergency Preparedness Program
11. Rural Routes – Letter of response to Council's decision from Jane Drew
12. Thank you and Invitation from the Mazinaw Powerline Snowmobile Club to attend the Landowner Appreciation Dinner (RSVP requested)
13. Request for nominations for the “Council Award” from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario for outstanding Ontario Physicians
- ~~14. Request from the Minister Responsible for Seniors to proclaim June as Seniors' Month in North Frontenac.~~
- ~~15. Request for support from the Municipality of Brockton in requesting the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs develop new rules for consultations between mining companies and First Nations.~~
16. Region of Niagara Resolution supporting the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee's motion re AMO/AMRC's discussion Paper for an Alternative Approach to Ontario's Blue Box Funding Model
17. E-mail and attached letter from Adair Crosby et al and the Environmental Study Report for the Proposed Big Gull Lake Access Point prepared on behalf of a group of concerned cottagers
18. 640 Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment Royal Canada Army Cadets, Cloyne, ON Invitation to their 7th Annual Review on Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at NAEC 6:00 p.m.

Carried

A17. Watkins commented that the letter re: Big Gull Lake Access Point from the east bay property owners talks about environmental impact and fuel spills at the docks. Watkins feels there will be less traffic on this bay with both the marinas now being closed. The only boat traffic will now be a few islanders, which will have less impact than before with two busy marinas. As for fuel spillage, this would have been a greater possibility with two marinas, and there are still cottagers using gas cans to fill their boat motors on the lake.

Cole agreed with Watkins and suggested if there are legitimate complaints, they could be brought to Council as a delegation.

The Clerk advised these property owners had said they would come before Council as a delegation, if required. It was the consensus of Council to have the Clerk set up a delegation of these property owners to attend Council and voice their opinions and concerns.

Good said that cottagers bring their own supplies to our area when they come, thus contributing to the closure of the two marinas due to lack of patronage. Good feels if these island cottagers can obtain access to their properties at no cost to the Township, then Council should continue with the plan as proposed.

Beam added this situation appears to be the case on other lakes in the Township as well.

A11. Cole asked if a letter had been sent to Jane Drew of Rural Routes explaining Council's position that this is a social service, which is the County's responsibility.

The Clerk responded a letter had been sent, however it appears it was not clearly understood Council views this as a social services program which should be County funded. The Clerk will draft a further response to Jane Drew and circulate it to Council for approval before being mailed.

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Cole

#250-08

THAT Item(s) A 14 and 15 of the Communications of Interest to Council Administrative Report dated May 15, 2008, be brought forward to Section B to be acted upon.

Carried

B: Action Items: (to include items brought forward from Section A above by a member of Council)

B1. (A14) Request from the Minister Responsible for Seniors to proclaim June as Seniors' Month in North Frontenac

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, seconded by Councillor Good

#251-08

WHEREAS Senior's Month is an annual nation-wide celebration;

AND WHEREAS seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community;

AND WHEREAS their contributions both past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told;

AND WHEREAS the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

THEREFORE Council does hereby proclaim the month of June, 2008 Seniors' Month in the Township of North Frontenac and encourages all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Carried

B2. (A15) Request for support from the Municipality of Brockton in requesting the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs to develop new rules for consultations between mining companies and First Nations.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, seconded by Councillor Good

#252-08

THAT Council supports the request for support from the Municipality of Brockton in requesting the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs develop new rules for consultations between mining companies and First Nations;

AND THAT Council instructs the Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to AMO.

Carried

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD / COUNCIL MEMBER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

The Clerk advised the Fire Chief has not received all the quotes for the new pumper but will circulate these to Council in his Administrative Report as soon as possible upon receipt, for Council's Resolution. He wanted the time sensitivity in ordering the truck stressed as it takes months to prepare this truck for delivery.

9. TASK FORCE NOTES AND REPORTS

None

10. BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Olmstead questioned the Accounts Payable Preliminary Cheque Run, Page 3. Gemmill's were paid \$85.00 for an emissions test which he understood normally cost \$35.00. The PWM confirmed a few minor repairs were necessary to pass the emissions test, creating the extra charges.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, seconded by Councillor Good

#253-08

THAT, the following Vouchers in the amount of **\$ 131,951.05** be approved for payment:

- May 15, 2008 @ \$125,663.28
- May 15, 2008 @ \$ 6,287.77

Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS

a) Member Application to North Frontenac Township Volunteer Fire Department

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, seconded by Councillor Good

#254-08

THAT Council accepts the appointment of Gregory John Cooper to the North Frontenac Volunteer Fire Department, Snow Road Station, as recommended by the Fire Chief.

Carried

b) Letter of Resignation

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, seconded by Councillor Good

#255-08

THAT Council accepts with regret, the resignation of Andrew Hillier from the Public Works Department effective May 15, 2008 and that Council members instruct the Clerk to convey their gratitude for his many years of dedicated and faithful service and to express their best wishes to him in his future endeavors.

Carried

c) Roadside Grass Mowing and Guardrail Trimming Tenders

The Clerk confirmed only one submission was received for this tender.

Company Name		Tender Price	PST	GST	Total Tender Price
Scotts' Snowplowing & Grass Cutting	Guardrail Trimming	\$45.00/Hour		\$2.25	\$47.25/Hour
	Roadside Mowing	\$45.00/Hour		\$2.25	\$47.25/Hour
	TOTAL				\$94.50/Hour

PWM noted this is always tendered strictly by the hour. The rate from Scott's is up \$5/hour for both guardrail trimming and grass cutting this year.

Beam asked if we had budgeted extra for this in the 2008 budget. PWM confirmed he had taken into consideration the increase in fuel.

Olmstead asked if it was necessary to have the extension of Shiner Road trimmed and cut. PWM stated it was not necessary.

Watkins noted this tender was for a 3 year contract and asked if Scotts realize this, as there has not been any anticipated increase for the next 2 years, such as fuel?

PWM noted this was advertised as a 3 year contract.

Cole asked what would happen if a company defaulted on a contract after the first year? Would Council accept another tender from this company?

Beam said no, and the Clerk said it would be wise to have a clause in the contract to this effect.

Moved by Councilor Cole, seconded by Councillor Perry

#256-08

THAT Council accepts the tender submission for the Roadside Mowing and Guardrail Trimming Contract from Scott's Snowplowing and Grass Cutting, which shall be a three year contract to cut grass along road sides and trim grass around guardrails, approximately 1000 kilometers, throughout the Municipality.

Carried

d) Gravel Crushing Tenders

Company Name	Tender Price	PST	GST	Total Tender Price
Jim Weir Custom Crushing	\$39,200.00	\$3,136.00	\$1,960.00	\$44,296.00
Gemmill Sand & Gravel	\$49,000.00	\$3,920.00	\$2,450.00	\$55,370.00
Robert Young Construction	\$3.61/yard	\$ 0.28/yard	\$ 0.18/yard	\$ 4.07/yard = \$40,700.00/ 10,000 yards

Moved by Councilor Cole, seconded by Councillor Perry

#257-08

THAT Council accepts the tender submission for the Gravel Crushing Contract from Robert Young Construction. This shall be a one year contract to crush and stockpile a total of 10,000 (ten thousand) yards of gravel at the Ompah location.

Carried

e) Winter Sand Tenders

Company Name	Tender Price	PST	GST	Total Tender Price
Jim Weir Custom Crushing	\$37,800.00	\$3,024.00	\$1,890.00	\$42,712.00
Danford Construction Ltd.	\$58,200.00		\$2,910.00	\$61,110.00
Gemmill Sand & Gravel	\$34,800.00	\$2,784.00	\$1,740.00	\$39,324.00

The PWM stated all tenders met the specifications required. The Tender from Gemmill's works out to \$3.28 per yard, which is less than last year. The sheds are ready for the sand, haulage can start anytime.

Moved by Councilor Cole, seconded by Councillor Perry

#258-08

THAT Council accepts the tender submission for the Winter Sand Contract from Gemmill Sand & Gravel. This shall be a one year contract to screen and stockpile a total of 12, 000 (twelve thousand) yards of winter sand at two locations in the Municipality.

Carried

f) Beam advised he and the Mayor had received an email from Mr. & Mrs. Holton dated May 13, 2008, asking if the September 13, 2007 recommendation of North Frontenac Council to petition the province to enact a moratorium on uranium prospecting, exploration and mining had received a response from Dalton McGuinty. The Clerk confirmed a response had not been received. It was the consensus of Council to add this to the next Council Meeting Agenda.

Cole asked at this point to return to the Communications package, item A1.

Cole asked if pages #12 and 13 of the MPAC Annual Report had any connection to Pine Lake. Beam said this report is sent to all municipalities and is not specific to any individual municipality, but is a general report. Cole thanked Beam.

g) Cole asked if a letter could be sent to the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) under the Freedom of Information Act, to obtain any information passed between MNR and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), Hydro One, KFLA Health Unit and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) if applicable, and this letter be copied to Randy Hillier and Scott Reid.

Cole feels Council needs clarification from the MNR regarding the email from Bob Walroth of MNR to the CAO which discussed underground hydro installation, and Cole noted that at a meeting with MNR last year, MNR had said they were exempt from obtaining permits.

Beam advised to submit a request for Access to Information through the Freedom of Information Act can be very time consuming, taking up to 6 months and therefore suggested a letter or e-mail be sent to the MNR with these questions.

Cole agreed, as long as it was done immediately and expeditiously. This letter should ask what took place at the meeting between Hydro One and MNR, and how Hydro One will handle it if AAFNA says they will not obtain a Hydro permit.

Good advised to contact Jim Gordon with Hydro One.

Cole asked how has MMAH and MNR resolved the issue of permits. All residents of North Frontenac are required to obtain a building permit for any construction and North Frontenac Township is responsible to enforce the Building Code through the CBO.

Council instructed the Clerk to send a letter or e-mail to MNR requesting information on any discussions and the outcome regarding Pine Lake, held between MNR, MMAH, KFLA Health Unit and Hydro One. Also, the Clerk is to send letters to MMAH, KFLA Health Unit and Hydro One asking them for their information from their discussions with MNR.

h) The Clerk advised she had received a call from Glenn Tunnock, Township Planner asking for a Meeting date between Council, the Committee of Adjustment and Colin Scott, the applicant of a proposed Plan of Subdivision on Ardoch (Green) Lake, between July 7 – 11, 2008. It was tentatively agreed by Council to hold this Special Council Meeting either July 8th or 9th at 9:30 a.m. The Clerk shall confirm the date, time and place.

i) The Clerk advised the 2008 Septic Re-inspection Program is going ahead, and 150 letters are being mailed today to property owners. This year will include Grindstone Lake as well as some water access properties. Council may receive calls from their constituents and if so, should refer their questions/concerns to Jamie Saunders of the Mississippi Valley/Rideau Septic Office, which contact information is included in their package from Jamie Saunders.

12. OTHER BUSINESS – Verbal Reports

a) County Business

Mayor Maguire Absent

No report

b) Ardoch Algonquin First Nations & Allies (AAFNA)

Mayor Maguire Absent

No report

c) Clar/Mill Community Archives

Councillor Watkins

Nothing to report

d) i) Economic Development Envelope

Councillor Olmstead

Nothing to report

ii) County of Frontenac Trails Committee

The next Meeting is June 2, 2008.

e) Community Facilitation Team Re: “Engaging People in Building Inclusive Communities”

Deputy Mayor Beam

A meeting was held this week with four of the Clar/Mill Hall Committee Volunteers and Council Representative/REDPC to arrange the Solstice Day activities on June 21, 2008 in conjunction with the Clar/Mill Hall Volunteers Pancake Breakfast. Breakfast will be from 8-10:30 a.m., followed by activities such as face painting, balloon twisting, story telling and skate board park activities. A hot dog barbeque will be held at noon and the activities will run until 1:30 p.m.

f) Environmental Envelope -

Deputy Mayor Beam

i) Madawaska Highlands/Timber Management/Fish & Wildlife

Nothing to report

ii) Mississippi Valley Conservation

The Source Water Protection Committee's Draft Terms of Reference are available and comments would be appreciated by June 21, 2008. The Clerk will provide a copy to any Council Member wishing a copy. Please advise the Clerk. There are several Source Water Protection open houses coming up, as provided in Council's Communications Package.

Purdon Conservation Area has reported the effect on the Lady Slipper due to the white tailed deer, and has noted the number of these wild orchids has decreased.

The Mississippi Lake Cottage Association has prepared a magazine with some very interesting articles regarding private lanes; nuclear power and more. This magazine is available for perusal through the Clerk. An additional 80 wells have been tested by the MVC. The last report noted 2 wells contained small amounts of radioactivity. This latest report notes 2 out of the 80 wells tested had an extremely high level of contaminants.

g) Social Services Envelope -

Councillor Cole

i) Pine Meadow Nursing Home

Nothing to report

ii) Frontenac Transportation Collaborative

Councillor Cole

Nothing to report

h) Pine Lake Outstanding Issues

Councillor Cole

Cole advised it would be advantageous for Council to read the Ontario Building Code Act prior to meeting with the MMAH Representative. Beam advised this is available in the Township Office for Council perusal, as this is a large text and would be too costly to copy for all Council Members. Cole explained he is speaking about the Act only, not the entire Building Code. The Clerk advised she will make one copy for borrowing.

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Cole

#259-08

THAT the Council instructs the Clerk to invite a representative from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) to attend the June 12, 2008 Meeting of Council to discuss the ongoing issues at Pine Lake with respect to permits, taxes and other related items.

Carried

13. BY-LAWS

a) #37-08 – To Authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into an Agreement with Bon Echo Provincial Park re: Waste and Recyclables

The PWM noted last year this was not consistent and Bon Echo took their recycling outside of the Township, however wanted credit from North Frontenac for same. Including the Park's recycling in the Township's Waste Diversion Ontario Datacall figures will assist in increasing the Township's funding. The Clerk advised the Park is happy to do an education seminar in the Park as to what is acceptable recyclables, such as items must be clean, no plastic bags are to be put in with the plastics, etc.

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Cole

#260-08

THAT By-law #37-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute an Agreement on behalf of the Township of North Frontenac with Bon Echo Provincial Park re: Waste and Recyclables be read a first and second time.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Cole
THAT By-law #37-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

#261-08

b) #36-08 – To appoint an Assistant Field Supervisor to the Crown Land Stewardship Program.
Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good
THAT By-law #36-08, being a By-law to appoint an Assistant Field Supervisor to the Crown Land Stewardship Program be read a first and second time.
Carried

#262-08

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good
THAT By-law #36-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

#263-08

OLD BUSINESS continued

6 b) Good advised there is a large clean-up being arranged for the Harlowe Road to Hwy. 41, the Kashwakamak Lake Road and from Harlowe east to the Township line. This will take place on June 14, 2008, and Good has asked that the Kashwakamak Waste Site be kept open. It was the consensus of Council to keep this Site open for the clean-up crew and any tires can be piled for Public Works delivery to the 506 Waste Site. Good will ensure the required documentation is provided to the Clerk in advance of the clean-up. (i.e. for insurance purposes, etc.)

Olmstead advised the annual Ardoch Road clean-up is taking place this weekend.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins

#264-08

THAT Council retires to closed session at 11:15 a.m. to discuss:

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

Carried

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins

#265-08

THAT Council returns to open session at 11:27 a.m.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Good, seconded by Councillor Watkins

#266-08

THAT the meeting adjourns at 11:28 a.m. until June 12, 2008 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk