

MINUTES of a Meeting of Council for the Township of North Frontenac, held Thursday, September 11, 2008 at the Barrie Township Hall, 14225 Hwy. 41, Cloyne, Ontario

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Maguire; Councillor Fred Perry and Councillor Wayne Good – Ward 1; Councillor Lonnie Watkins and Councillor Elaine Gunsinger– Ward 2; Deputy Mayor Jim Beam and Councillor Bob Olmstead – Ward 3

ALSO PRESENT: Brenda Defosse, Clerk and Jenny Duhamel, Deputy Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no declarations.

3. DELEGATIONS

a) Barrie Martin, Project Manager – “Celebration of Trails”

The Mayor introduced Mr. Martin.

Martin advised the Celebration of Trails is primarily a marketing campaign planned for Autumn Events to promote the shoulder season of small communities and businesses. A brochure/tabloid has been created, (see attached) and was circulated.

Maguire thanked Martin for his presentation and advised he will provide Martin’s contact information to Corey Klatt, REDPC.

b) Mazinaw Property Owners Association (MPOA) Representatives Arndt Kruger and Steve Smart re: “Tappin’s Bay Dock - Proposed Expansion”

Kruger thanked Council for the opportunity once again to address them with regards to the Tappin’s Bay Dock, and advised he had sent the Clerk an email to explain the misconception as to the size, apologizing, saying he did not know the proposed size of the docks and what was available to MPOA for docks until after the last meeting with Council.

Smart advised this is an existing dock that was on Mazinaw Lake and it is in three pieces. The configuration to be in an “L” shape is the most logical for optimal safety and the Mississippi Valley Conservation (MVC) has agreed and suggested the “L” shape is more conducive to the least disruption of the shoreline (moving rocks, etc.), than running along the shoreline would be, and would not create a navigational hazard.

Kruger said he was very pleased with the cooperation of the MVC and their quick response. Kruger advised there will be no monetary involvement required from the Township and the MPOA will install the docks in the spring and remove them in the fall.

Good asked about insurance.

The **Clerk** advised the Township’s Insurance Company has advised there is insurance available to be obtained for this type of situation. As the Township does not own these docks, their insurance will not cover same.

Kruger noted the Township’s Insurance Company has not been responding to him very quickly. The Clerk advised he can go to any insurance company he wishes, it does not have to be the same company the Township deals with. **Kruger** asked if Council would reconsider adding these proposed docks to the Township’s Insurance Policy, noting the MPOA feels Council is discriminating against the cottagers who need this dock for access, and treating them like second class citizens, when people on the road are covered by the Township for liability due to road conditions. This dock is like the road to the water access cottages.

Maguire asked if there would be any implications in our insurance if we add three sections to the dock, or is it based on claims. The Clerk responded it is based on claims.

Perry voiced concerns with the changing of the size and configuration of the docks, stating he would like to see MPOA obtain its own insurance and also enter into an agreement with the Township removing the Township from any liability incurred.

Beam said this is beginning to look like a “mini marina”. I support one dock ten feet by twenty six feet, but do not want this tied to the Township’s liability. I also object to you saying Council is treating you like second class citizens.

Olmstead agreed with the original dock size, but felt the MVC should have been brought into discussion at the beginning, before the meeting with Council.

Smart advised this boat launch is used by cottagers, the public and contractors. The “L” shape will give docking space for an additional three to four boats at the most. It is unrealistic to think this is going to be expanded, as a “mini marina”. We have done what we were asked to do at the July 17th Meeting, that being consulting with the MVC and MNR. The only difference is the size and configuration of the proposed docks, which Kruger was unaware of at the first Council meeting.

Maguire noted this problem has been festering for a long time and he would like to see it resolved, suggesting trying it out for a year; to cover the docks under the Township’s insurance and for the MPOA to enter into a Liability Agreement with the Township and to review the situation in one year. We need to move forward with this matter.

Council discussed this option, with the majority not accepting the Township accepting liability for the dock on a Township rider.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#429-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of North Frontenac shall permit the Mazinaw Property Owners Association (MPOA) to add a dock, shown as Option 1 as provided by the MPOA, to the existing dock at Tappin’s Bay for a period of one year, to be reviewed by Council at that time; such extension shall be covered by the MPOA’s insurance, with proof of insurance being provided to the municipality; the MPOA shall install and remove the dock Spring and Fall.

Carried

c) Edward Kennedy, President of the Frontenac Lennox and Addington Landowners’ Association and a Director for the Ontario Landowners’ Association and Jack McLaren, President of the Ontario Landowners’ Association re: Non-compliance issue in the Hamlet Zone
Kennedy introduced himself, advising he had visited the property in question on September 7, 2008 and finds it very troublesome to discover a resident had been given a letter stating there would be a twenty five thousand dollar fine for non-compliance. There is a Provincial Statue stipulating how many chickens are allowed, that being three hundred for meat and ninety nine for eggs. The neighbors of the property owners have not complained, in fact have signed a petition to allow the animals on this property, and I can advise many landowners from across the province are concerned over this case.

Kennedy advised MPP Hillier’s office is thoroughly disgusted with this situation. The complainants’ lawyer has advised the property is of legal non-conforming use, as it has been farmed since 1931. Council commits an injustice if it willfully prevents residents from proper enjoyment of their property. This property consists of ten acres. There is a 50 to 100 foot separation from abutting neighbors and the animals kept on this property are “pets” of the owners. I would like action tonight, to have Council to set aside this Order to Comply and quash the penalty right now, and return freedom to the two defendants.

Maguire thanked Kennedy and asked if there were any comments from Council.

Olmstead asked when the property was purchased (July 22, 2004 per Kennedy) and if there was any indication at that time the property was going to be used for farming, and if so this should have been investigated by the Buyers.

McLaren said I feel the detail on the zoning designation does not hold a lot of weight, as this is a rural community and the community members support the animals being kept here; there are only 48 chickens; this is not a large scale farm; they are an asset to the community. "There is no need to apply the by-law in this case."

Beam noted he was sympathetic, however; the Township By-law Enforcement Officer responded to a complaint, the same as he would to any other complaint of a violation of a Township By-law. By-laws are to protect the public.

Maguire advised North Frontenac has nine to thirteen Hamlets designated in the Official Plan. The purpose of the Official Plan is to standardize development over the next twenty years and to create conformity, not chaos. This started as a simple enforcement issue which was investigated and the By-law Enforcement Officer acted accordingly. The repercussions of allowing animals in this situation would mean in all other Hamlets animals would have to be allowed. The property owners will have to work with the Township, either by observing the By-law or by applying for a Zoning By-law Exception. I can advise you Council is not making any decision tonight. North Frontenac is in the midst of meetings to review the Official Plan, and as land owners you are welcome to attend and voice your opinion.

Good stated he felt people should be allowed to raise chickens, etc., for food, but Council has to look at the repercussions allowing this tonight would cause.

Kennedy began to reiterate his opinion once again.

Maguire advised to set a precedent would have significant ramifications. You can keep working with the Township.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good **#430-08**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council shall set aside the penalty and deadline ordered on Mr. Cooper et al pending completion of discussions between the landowner, Scott Cooper et al and the Municipality, to consider options including an application for an exception to the Municipality's Zoning By-law; within a two month period, and a report to Council.

Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE)

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger **#431-08**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council dated August 21, 2008 be adopted as circulated;

AND THAT the Minutes of a Closed Meeting of Council dated August 21, 2008 be adopted as circulated;

AND THAT the Minutes of a Committee of Adjustment/Planning Advisory Committee Meeting dated July 15, 2008 be received for information;

AND THAT the Minutes of an Essential Level Emergency Management Program Committee dated July 8, 2008 be adopted as circulated;

AND THAT the Notes of an Official Plan Open House dated August 23, 2008 be received for information.

Carried

At this point, Maguire advised there were additions to the Agenda, if all were agreeable, those being:

- a) #7 Communications "B" – Request for support from Greater Madawaska
- b) #11 – i) Letter from Steve Smart
j) Portable classroom as possible Library in Plevna (Beam)
k) Letter from Beam to the Frontenac News (Perry)
- c) By-law #69-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a MOU with MNR re: Schooner Lake Road and Fortune Lake Hill

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

- a) Review of Council Portfolios

Maguire advised if Council is going to entertain the idea of being a single-tier municipality, it will have to start taking the initiative to take matters into our own hands (i.e. social services). These new positions will broaden each Councillor's knowledge. If there is anyone who feels anything on the list is too heavy a workload, you don't have to take the position, but please say so now. At this point, Maguire asked each Councillor individually of their opinion of the proposed portfolios.

Beam specifically stated he wanted to remain on the MVC Committee and would do this along with his other delegations, as he welcomed new tasks as part of the learning process. Beam noted with all these extra responsibilities, Council is going to be a full time load for part time pay and asked the changes be tabled until a feasibility study on becoming a single tier municipality moves ahead and a review of Council compensation for mileage within the municipality can be looked at. (Council is presently paid for mileage outside of the municipality)

Maguire agreed extra compensation including mileage rate can be revisited by Council at any time. The Feasibility Study has been put on the back burner pending gathering of other data. We must be successful in maturing as a municipality. I appreciate your concerns and your wanting to remain part of the MVC, and the motion can be changed. Maguire stated "I realize these are basically full time positions with part time pay. All I ask of you is to do your best. At any time you can ask me to accompany you to any meeting and you can ask me for advice."

Watkins noted he is also the Cemeteries Task Force Chair and the Clar/Mill Community Archives contact person. These were added to Watkins's responsibilities on the resolution.

Good asked if he was required to attend the Committee of Adjustment monthly meetings and Maguire advised some very important decisions are made by the Committee of Adjustment and from a policy perspective, I would like to see a Council presence at these meetings. Try to make as many as possible.

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger

#432-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Frontenac does hereby approve the following Council Portfolio Positions; effective September 11, 2008:

COMMUNICATIONS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (2 – Jim Beam, Fred Perry)

- o Liaison with industry and stakeholders for acquisition of Broadband/Cell-phones
- o Represent Council on Board of **Addington Frontenac Area Radio (AFAR)**
- o Research, consult and promote Festivals and Special Events unique to NF
- o Council Liaison with Cloyne & District Historical Society
- o Facilitate establishment of a North Frontenac Chamber of Commerce
- o Establish and chair Business Breakfasts in North Frontenac
- o Liaise with all Stakeholders on potential use of K & P Trail as a tourism tool
- o Initiate/recommend joint economic ventures with neighbouring municipalities

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (3 – Wayne Good, Chair; Elaine Gunsinger, Bob Olmstead)

- Joint Fire Board (Kaladar-Barrie)
- Emergency Management Committee
- Community volunteerism

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (MVCA) Board Member – Jim Beam

ENVIRONMENT (1 – Bob Olmstead)

- Lanark & Mazinaw Forest Management Committee member
- Council Liaison with Ompah Conservation Authority
- Council Liaison with **Frontenac Environmental Partnership (FEP)**
- Monitor local uranium issues, safety concerns and political developments
- Liaison with Cottage Associations on lake management planning and issues
- Mazinaw Area Fish & Wildlife Committee

HEALTH (1 – Fred Perry)

- Represent Council on Health Committee with Addington Highlands Township to resolve doctor shortages
- Consult with Ministry on acquisition of “Nurse-Only Clinic” for NF through announced provincial pilot program
- Council Liaison with Ontario Medical Association
- Monitor and make recommendations on Septic Re-inspection Programs
- Coordinate and consult with neighbouring municipalities re Ambulance Service

PERSONNEL & AUDIT COMMITTEE (3 – Fred Perry, Wayne Good, Jim Beam)

- Organizational review
- CAO appraisal
- Review quarterly and annual audit reports
- Disciplinary matters

SOCIAL SERVICES (1 – Elaine Gunsinger)

- Represent Council on Joint Management Committee of **Pine Meadow Nursing Home**
- Act as Council Liaison with Seniors’ Clubs (e.g. **Golden Friendship**) to determine special skills, interests, needs and to form working partnerships
- Represent Council on all matters pertaining to Rural Transportation (county meetings, other municipalities, other governments, private industry)
- Represent Council at annual and other general meetings of **Children’s Aid Society** and **United Way** to ensure adequate data collection and attention to northern rural needs and issues (e.g. homelessness)
- Keep abreast of public health programs (**KFL&A Public Health**) and recommend ways to inform local citizenry

SPECIAL PROJECTS (1 – Wayne Good)

- Inspector for Shore Road Allowance Applications
- Council Liaison on Committee of Adjustment
- Other assignments as required

YOUTH & RECREATION (1 – Lonnie Watkins)

- As required, act as Council Liaison with **Clarendon Central School** and **North Addington Education Centre (NAEC)** and **Sharbot Lake High School**
- Inform students about the experiences and responsibilities of municipal council
- Encourage youth to become involved and participate in civic decision-making
- Establish a Youth Committee of Council (with Terms of Reference)
- Youth to design recreation programs for recommendation to Council, to oversee construction of recreation facilities, to operate programs and take “virtual ownership” of facilities in order to instill pride and reduce vandalism (peer pressure)
- Along with the Mayor, represent Council in any formal talks pertaining to possible school closures
- Cemeteries Task Force Chair
- Clar/Mill Community Archives Contact Person

*By virtue of office (**ex-officio**), the Mayor is entitled to participate and vote (but not necessarily) at all Committees of Council.

Carried

6. OLD BUSINESS

None

7. COMMUNICATIONS – Administrative Report

Section A

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger

#433-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Section A Items of the Clerk’s Administrative Report entitled Communications of Interest to Council dated September 4, 2008, as set out below, be received for information.

AMO/Ministry Bulletins, Etc.

Alert #08/036 - Ontario Small Waterworks Assistance Program – Part 2

Alert #08/037 - Infrastructure Funding Announcement at 2008 AMO Conference

FYI #08-012 - Climate Change and Engineering Symposium

OGRA Release – McGuinty Government Invests an Additional \$1.1 Billion in Municipal Infrastructure

FCM - Call for Applications – Water Projects

1. *LAS Cashing in on Energy Savings* – Two Upcoming Workshops
2. Counties, Region and Single Tier Municipalities (CRST) – 2008 Annual Conference – “Partnership and Innovation” Registration Form
3. Algonquins of Ontario Treaty Negotiations – Contact List from Robert J. Potts of Blaney McMurtry, Barrister & Solicitor, Principle Negotiator and Senior Legal Counsel for the Algonquins of Ontario
4. Quinte Source Water Protection Draft Terms of Reference (in Clerk’s office)
5. Quinte Source Water Protection Invitation to Comment Regarding Proposed Terms of Reference
6. Thank you card from the Hillier Family
7. Thank you card from Chelsea Dacuk
8. Thank you letter from the Cloyne and District Historical Society
9. Letter from KBM Forestry Consultants Inc., re: Independent Forest Audit of the Ottawa Valley Forest
10. Letter from Ontario Power Generation re: Changes in Leadership
11. Play Works “Do It Yourself” final report and invitation to join

12. The Council of Canadians re: The Ontario-Quebec Economic Partnership Agreement and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Resolution
13. Request for support from the Town of Innisfil requesting the AMO act as an intervener at the Ontario Energy Board requesting the distribution charge be reviewed/reduced
- ~~14. Request from CUPE to endorse a day of recognition for the many people providing daycare in our community, and proclaim October 22, 2008 as "Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day"~~
15. Request for support from the Township of North Stormont in requesting the Board of Directors of MPAC improve their operations
16. Request for support from the Town of Halton Hills in petitioning the Provincial Government conduct a provincial public inquiry into the challenges facing municipalities
17. Request for support from the Town of Milton in requesting the Minister of the Environment consider placing a deposit/return on aluminum and plastic drink containers
18. Request from the City of Owen Sound in requesting the Provincial Government provide a full exemption of PST on goods and services to all Ontario municipalities
19. Alzheimer Society of Kingston invitation to participate in the Alzheimer Society's Annual Coffee Break fundraiser
20. Thank you letter from Cloyne Pioneer Cemetery Volunteers

Carried

#9. Letter from KBM Forestry Consultants Inc., re: Independent Forest Audit of the Ottawa Valley Forest

Beam advised this letter was addressed to Councillor Ron Lemke, who has not sat on Council for a number of years, and that North Frontenac is not even in the Ottawa Valley. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter to KPM Forestry to take North Frontenac off their mailing list.

Maguire noted re: AMO Alert #08/037, once again funding was distributed to all municipalities on a per capita basis. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter to AMO reminding them of the resolutions North Frontenac passed in respect to this and reiterate we are not getting funding that relates to seasonal residents.

Maguire noted the Frontenac County Warden has been elected to the Board of Directors of AMO. This is encouraging, as it may improve funding for smaller municipalities.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Perry #434-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item(s) A 14 of the Communications of Interest to Council Administrative Report dated September 4, 2008, be brought forward to Section B to be acted upon.

Carried

B. 1 – Request for support from the Township of Greater Madawaska

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Perry #435-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac supports the Township of Greater Madawaska's application for funding under the OMAFRA Program more commonly known as Rural Connections;

AND THAT the Township of North Frontenac's support is given with the understanding the Township of Greater Madawaska is proceeding independent of North Frontenac's ongoing efforts to provide broadband to its residents;

AND THAT the Township of North Frontenac may work with the Township of Greater Madawaska in preparation of a future joint submission with them and other municipalities in the area;

AND THAT the Township of North Frontenac has been assured by Greater Madawaska that North Frontenac will have no relationship liability regarding their current proposal contained within their September 18th application;

AND THAT the Township of North Frontenac's support of Greater Madawaska's application for increased broadband services recognizes Greater Madawaska may provide services to North Frontenac residents in the North East corner, as a result of Greater Madawaska's attempts to improve services to the residents of Greater Madawaska.

Carried

B. 2 - Request from CUPE to endorse a day of recognition for the many people providing daycare in our community, and proclaim October 22, 2008 as "Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day"

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #436-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the request from the Canadian Union of Public Employees et al in endorsing a day of recognition for the many people providing daycare in our community;

AND THAT Council hereby proclaims October 22, 2008 as "Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day" in the Township of North Frontenac.

Carried

Maguire would like a copy of this resolution forwarded to the Early Childhood Education Centre in Sharbot Lake, as in other years.

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD / COUNCIL MEMBER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None

9. TASK FORCE NOTES AND REPORTS

None

10. BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Perry noted the Tender was for 6,000 yards of sand for the salt sheds, and only \$12,000 has been spent so far. Isn't this a little late? Are we behind? Is there an issue?

Olmstead noted these sheds are not usually filled until hunting season.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, seconded by Councillor Gunsinger #437-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the following Vouchers in the amount of \$ 190,597.90 be approved for payment:

- August 15, 2008 @ \$ 12,602.00
- August 27, 2008 @ \$ 86,553.19
- September 3, 2008 @ \$ 40,615.28
- September 4, 2008 @ \$ 50,827.43

Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS

a) N/A

b) Email from Lisa Harvey, EMO Field Officer, Loyalist Sector regarding the status of North Frontenac's 2008 Emergency Management Program, for information.

c) Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services JEPP Application deadline Maguire reminded these projects have to be initiated by the municipality first and then the municipality is reimbursed for 45% of the approved cost later in the New Year. The Clerk advised the CEMC/Fire Chief will have an Administrative Report for the next Council Meeting with the suggested list for the JEPP Application as discussed by the Essential Level Emergency Management Program Committee. Beam asked if the Municipality had budgeted for 55% of the cost of the chair lift in 2008. The Clerk confirmed it was in the budget.

d) Shore Road Closing Approval in Principle (3)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger #438-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Applications to close the shoreline road allowances as described below:

- ALL THAT PART of the original 66' shore road allowance lying in front of Part of Lot 29, Concession 13, described as Subdivision Lot BE 65, geographic Township of Barrie (King - Mazinaw Lake)
- ALL THAT PART of the original 66' shore road allowance lying in front of Part of Lot 25, Concession 9, described as Part 2 on Plan 13R-7128, geographic Township of Barrie (Ingalls - Marble Lake)

be approved in principle by Council.

Carried

Due to the configuration of the following Road Closing Applications on Canonto Lake (Day), the Clerk explained to Council no-one will be blocked access to the water with the wording of the draft resolution for approval in principle.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger #439-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Applications to close:

- a) the Road Allowance Diversion, being Part of Lots 26 and 27, Concession 2, geographic Township of South Canonto;
- b) the most Westerly (western side of the bay of Canonto Lake) portion of the Concession Road Allowance between Concessions 2 and 3, abutting part of Lots 26 and 27, geographic Township of South Canonto;
- c) the Reserve Road Allowance lying in front of parts of Lot 26 and Lot 27, Concession 3, geographic Township of South Canonto; and
- d) the most Southerly portion of the Road Allowance lying between Lots 25 and 26, on the northerly side of Canonto Lake; **not** including the most Northerly Road Allowance lying between Lots 25 and 26, Concessions 3, 4, 5 and 6, geographic Township of South Canonto;

all in the Township of North Frontenac, County of Frontenac, be approved in principle by Council.

Carried

e) Applications to the North Frontenac Volunteer Fire Department (2)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger #440-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the appointments of Jon Stencell and Steven Duford to the North Frontenac Volunteer Fire Department, Clarendon-Miller Station, as recommended by the Fire Chief.

Carried

f) Addington Highlands Community Health Minutes dated August 27, 2008
Perry has attended the second meeting and will bring the following suggestion to the Joint Council Meeting on October 9th at 4 p.m.:

“Council of the Township of North Frontenac agrees to cooperate with the Township of Addington Highlands in preparing a Request for Proposal for a Needs Assessment of Community Health Care or a Family Health Team or both.”

g) Minutes of the Joint Recycling Management Committee Meeting held Thursday, August 7, 2008

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Gunsinger #441-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the Minutes of a Joint Recycling Management Committee Meeting dated August 7, 2008 at the Renfrew County Recycle Centre.

Carried

h) Receiving of Quotes and Award of Cemeteries Maintenance Work

The Clerk confirmed only one submission was received and only for the work in the Barrie Ward. Further, he has been asked to make a submission for the balance of the work and if it comes in within budget, it will be let. Also, the deadline for completing the work has been extended to December 31, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead #442-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges receipt of one Tender Submission in response to the ‘Request for Quotation for Cemeteries Maintenance Work’;

AND THAT Council accepts the Tender from Eric Freeburn for the Cemeteries Maintenance Work in Ward 1 (Barrie).

Carried

i) Letter from Steve Smart of Smart’s Marina dated August 19, 2008 Re: Economic Development
Maguire thanked Smart for the excellent article included with his letter to Council (see attached). “This certainly paints a very grim picture. How have you found business this year Steve, and is this indicative of most businesses in North Frontenac?”

Smart noted small businesses in the community are an important part of the community and they are struggling. I do not know the answer myself. This community is seeing a lot of marina closures. Economically, marine businesses are in poor shape. The small business of a marina is not valued for its water frontage, as a cottage property is. A lot of these small businesses (marinas) are being sold and bought as residential properties. This creates a loss of access for some water access properties. There are many lakes in this municipality and Council has to look at the small businesses as an important part of the Township’s infrastructure. From an Economic Development point of view, there are not a lot of incentives to bring businesses into this community. Local businesses are looking to Council to give them some consideration, and all move forward together. Council needs to meet with and take all Property Associations seriously. Also, keep the Business Ratepayers Associations meetings in mind. They are a huge resource.

The discussion continued with respect to enhancing Economic Development opportunities within North Frontenac.

Perry advised North Frontenac is presently reviewing the Official Plan, and maybe this is something that should be looked at.

Maguire noted Smart has articulated some good points. Certainly strengthening the economy and servicing our residents is necessary. North Frontenac needs help from the Province and this gives us some good information.

Maguire noted as long as there is a return to the municipality, Council should explore the options.

j) Portable for use as Plevna Library

Beam has contacted School Board representatives, and has asked the CAO if he could take the REDPC to Glenburnie this week to look at the portable at the Board Office, to determine if it would be feasible for our needs, to take pictures, and bring the information back to Council.

Maguire advised Heather White, the Librarian from Plevna would be a good judge of what is required.

k) Beam's letter to the editor of the Frontenac News

Perry expressed concerns about Beam's letter to the newspaper.

12. OTHER BUSINESS – Verbal Reports

a) i) County Business

Mayor Maguire

Nothing to report

ii) Frontenac Development Fund

Nothing to report

b) Ardoch Algonquin First Nations & Allies (AAFNA)

Mayor Maguire

The Mayor gave an update and asked the Clerk to circulate the letter from Brian Crane, Co-Chair of Ontario's Municipal Advisory Committee. (attached)

c) Draft Request for Proposal (RFP) to investigate the feasibility of separation from the County – update

This has been put on the back burner pending more information. At the AMO Conference, Maguire was speaking with the individual who chaired the bull-pit session re: secession and separation, who asked if we have all of your partnerships lined up. Maguire advised Council members have talked with the neighboring communities.

The next six months will be critical as to how we do things.

d) Clar/Mill Community Archives

Councillor Watkins

The Cemeteries Work Bee attracted little cooperation, and only two people showed up at the Plevna Cemetery. The Task Force would like to hold another Work Bee in September or October.

e) i) Economic Development Envelope

Councillor Olmstead

Nothing to report

ii) County of Frontenac Trails Committee

The survey is going out to landowners along the K&P Trail this week.

There is a Landowners meeting scheduled for September 25th in Sharbot Lake and September 30th in Verona.

Olmstead thinks the north end is going to go well.

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

Deputy Mayor Beam

Nothing to report

g) Environmental Envelope -

Deputy Mayor Beam

i) Madawaska Highlands/Timber Management/Fish & Wildlife

At a meeting on Tuesday, it was discussed to increase the tags for deer in the Havelock/Madoc area.

A report from the Enforcement Officer advises the MNR Tipline is working well.

Fish assessments have been completed on Buckshot, Kashwakamak and Mazinaw, but in draft only.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2009.

ii) Mississippi Valley Conservation

There is a meeting scheduled for next week.

Beam is to sell road permits for the 4x4 rally on Saturday at the corner of Canonto and Cruise Roads. Beam advised he would appreciate anyone who could volunteer to help.

h) Social Services Envelope -

i) Pine Meadow Nursing Home

Maguire advised a letter is to be sent to the Pine Meadow Board advising of Elaine Gunsinger’s appointment to same.

ii) Frontenac Transportation Collaborative

No report

iii) Community Living North Frontenac

Gunsinger advised she had attended the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday night. Scott Gillam gave an excellent speech on children with Special Needs and the increasing costs this creates in schools. Gillam said the North will not be forgotten for funding. Gunsinger advised this was a very interesting and informative meeting.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#443-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to extend the meeting past 10:00 p.m.

Carried

13. BY-LAWS

a) By-law #64-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Restrictive Covenant with Colin and Evelyn Wiltshire

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead

#444-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #64-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Restrictive Covenant Agreement with Colin and Evelyn Wiltshire, be read a first and second time.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #445-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #64-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

b) By-law #65-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Development Agreement with Dave and Diana Bacon

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #446-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #65-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Development Agreement with David and Diana Bacon, be read a first and second time.
Carried

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead #447-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #65-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

c) By-law # 66-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Natural Resources for Crotch Lake

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #448-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #66-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Natural Resources for Crotch Lake, be read a first and second time.
Carried

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #449-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #66-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

d) By-law # 67-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Development Agreement with Steve McCullagh

Moved by Councillor Watkins, Seconded by Councillor Good #450-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #67-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Development Agreement with Steve McCullagh, be read a first and second time.
Carried

Moved by Councillor Watkins, Seconded by Councillor Good #451-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #67-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

e) By-law # 68-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Development Agreement with Michael Kessel

Moved by Councillor Watkins, Seconded by Councillor Good #452-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #68-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Development Agreement with Michael Kessel, be read a first and second time.
Carried

Moved by Councillor Watkins, Seconded by Councillor Good #453-08
BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #68-08 be read a third time and finally passed.
Carried

f) By-law #69-08 to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Natural Resources for Schooner Lake Road and Fortune Lake Hill

Moved by Councillor Watkins, Seconded by Councillor Good #454-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #69-08, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Natural Resources for Schooner Lake Road and Fortune Lake Hill, be read a first and second time.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Watkins, Seconded by Councillor Good #455-08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #69-08 be read a third time and finally passed.

Carried

PUBLIC FORUM – (re: items included on today’s Agenda only)

Re: Crotch Lake Access Road

It was noted there have been complaints that the south end of this road needs brushing, gravel and grading. The Clerk will ask the REDPC to look into this.

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Watkins, seconded by Councillor Good #456-08

THAT the meeting adjourns at 10:44 p.m., until September 25, 2008 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk