



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF POWASSAN

**-MINUTES-**

**Regular Council Meeting  
March 3, 2009  
7:00 p.m., Council Chambers**

Present: Bob Young, Mayor  
Blair Beatty, Councillor  
Gerry Giesler, Councillor  
Roger Glabb, Councillor  
Peter McIsaac, Councillor

Absent: Nancy Barner, Councillor  
George Thompson, Councillor

Staff: Roger Labelle, CAO-Clerk  
Phillip Hummel, Public Works Foreman

Guests: Stantec Consulting regarding Highway 11 Study from Highway 534 to Highway 654.

Media: Laurel Campbell, Almaguin News

**Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof: .**

**Resolutions:**

**2009-71** Moved by: Blair Beatty                      Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the agenda of the regular Council meeting of March 3, 2009 be approved with addendum. **Carried.**

**2009-72** Moved by: Peter McIsaac;                      Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the attached proposal of the MHSa to perform an Occupational Health and Safety Assessment for the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan for \$1,750.00 plus GST be accepted. **Carried.**

**2009-73** Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the minutes of the regular Council meeting of February 17, 2009 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2009-74** Moved by: Roger Glabb                      Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the minutes of the Love Lake Space Science and Conservation Centre Implementation Committee meeting of January 27, 2009 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2009-75** Moved by: Peter McIsaac;                      Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the Powassan Maple Syrup Festival Committee minutes of February 11, 2009 be adopted. **Carried**

**2009-76** Moved by: Blair Beatty;                      Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the minutes of the Trout Creek Community Centre Board meeting of February 13, 2009 be received. **Carried.**

**2009-77** Moved by: Peter McIsaac;                      Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the minutes of the Municipal Action Group meeting of February 18, 2009 be received. **Carried.**

**2009-78** Moved by: Peter McIsaac;                      Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the minutes of the Strategic Plan Implementation Committee meeting of February 17, 2009 be adopted. **Carried**

**2009-79** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the municipal website be upgraded at the time of the new Logo Launch at a cost of \$3,000.00. **Carried**

**2009-80** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the attached forms be the official adopted forms for Kennel Inspections for the Municipality of Powassan. **Carried**

**2009-81** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the North Almaguin Planning Board be notified that the Council of the Municipality of Powassan has no concerns with the severance application of Bill and Arlene Hummel for Lot 7/8 Chiswick Line provided the location of the proposed house will not encroach on the Minimum Distance Separation Formula for the existing/retained property. **Carried**

**2009-82** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the Recreation Committee be appointed to spearhead the requirements of the Olympic Torch Relay that will be passing through the community on December 30, 2009. **Carried**

**2009-83** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the report dated February 26, 2009 from the Treasurer regarding the Statement of Remuneration and Expenses paid to Council in 2008 be adopted. **Carried**

**2009-84** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Blair Beatty

WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation has undertaken a Preliminary Design and Environmental Assessment Study for the Highway 11 Access Review at the South Entrance to Powassan (GWP 323-00-00); and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation has identified a Preferred Plan that includes the following features:

- Closure of the Proudfoot Road intersection at Highway 11
- Closure of the English Line/Loxton Line intersection at Highway 11
- Closure of the Purdon Line/Main Street intersection at Highway 11
- Closure of all private entrances on Highway 11
- New interchange located between English Line/Loxton Line and Purdon Line/Main Street, which provides a south access to Powassan
- New Service Road from English Line northerly to Purdon Line, and the extension of Purdon Line northerly to the existing unnamed road (pit entrance)
- New Service Road from Proudfoot Road northerly to Main Street; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Powassan has identified municipal concerns related to the Preferred Plan in a letter to the Minister of Transportation dated December 10, 2008.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Powassan supports, in principle, the Preferred Plan for the Preliminary Design and Environmental Assessment Study for the Highway 11 Access Review at the South Entrance to Powassan (GWP 323-00-00). **Defeated. Recorded vote requested by Councillor Beatty: Yeas; none Nays; Councillors Beatty, Glabb, McIsaac, Mayor Young.**

**2009-85** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That Council authorize the preparation and the issuance of an IT RFP for the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan. **Carried**

**2009-86** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That Councillors Glabb and Thompson be removed from the Recreation Committee to reduce the number of appointed Council members for the remaining term of Council. **Carried**

**2009-87** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That an Application for Investigation be submitted to the ECO regarding the decommissioning of abandoned Suny's Gas Station in Trout Creek at no cost to the Municipality. **Carried**

**2009-88** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the Municipality of Powassan purchase a back up generator for the Clark Street Pumping Station for a cost of \$23,500.00 plus applicable taxes from Serge Harrison and Associates Ltd; and

Further that the Public Works Superintendent be authorized to make acquisition arrangements. **Carried**

**2009-89** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the attached proposal dated February 20, 2009 from Bry-Co Engineering for the design and tendering works for the Landfill Site Housing Shelter project be accepted; and

Further that the estimated fees of \$2,750.00 plus disbursements and taxes be accepted. **Carried**

**2009-90** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the cost of placing an advertisement in a local paper during Emergency Preparedness Week – May 3 to 10, 2009 be shared with the surrounding municipalities at \$225.00 each. **Carried**

**2009-91** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That FONOM be requested to submit an itemized statement of travel expenses and allowances paid to Councillor Nancy Barner since her appointment with a copy of its policy; and

Further that the Treasurer provide an itemized statement of remuneration and expenses paid to Councillor Barner for 2008 and 2009 for FONOM associated expenditures. **Carried**

**2009-92** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the accounts payable listing reports of February 17, 24, 26, and 27, 2009 in the total amount of \$ 193,369.14 be approved for payment. **Carried**

**2009-93** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That Council now adjourns to closed session at 8:52 p.m to discuss personnel matters for various positions and cost of living adjustment. **Carried**

**NOTE:** Councillor Gielser attended the meeting at 9:30 pm during the Closed Session.

**2009-94** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 9:58 p.m.. **Carried**

**2009-95** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the position of Recreation and Facility Manager be established for the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan; and

Further that the attached position description be adopted. **Carried**

**2009-96** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That the position of Financial Clerk and Cemetery Administrator be established for the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan. **Carried**

**2009-97** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That Kimberly Bester-Melanson be appointed Financial Clerk and Cemetery Administrator for the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan; and

That her appointment be effective upon the replacement of the Administrative Assistant position held by Ms. Melanson; and

That Ms. Melanson be subject to a six (6) month probationary period; and

Further that the pay rate for this new position remain in the pay band of the Administrative Assistant position pending the evaluation being conducted. **Carried**

**2009-98** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That the position of Administrative Assistant be posted internally as per municipal policy until March 9, 2009; and

Further that should no submission(s) be received that the position be posted externally starting March 10, 2009. **Carried**

**2009-99** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That the Council of the Municipality of Callander be advised that the Council of the Municipality of Powassan is still interested in entering into a joint employment contract agreement for the services of a MLEO; and

Further that pending an agreement being executed that the services of Brain Callahan, MLEO for the Municipality of Powassan be retained. **Carried**

**2009-100** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the Receptionist Cashier Sherrill Smith be elevated to Step no. 2 of salary grid effective retroactive to January 1, 2009. **Carried**

**2009-101** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That Council now adjourns at 10:00 p.m. **Carried**

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Mayor

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CAO-Clerk