

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 6, 2012
7:00 p.m., Trout Creek Senior Friendship Centre

Present: Peter McIsaac, Mayor
Roger Glabb, Councillor
Nancy Barner, Councillor
Gerry Giesler, Councillor

Staff: Maureen Lang, Clerk-Treasurer

Absent: Todd White, Deputy Mayor
Dave Britton, Councillor
Steve Eide, Councillor

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Peter McIsaac Item 13.1 Correspondence from Employer

2012-454 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That the agenda of the Council meeting of November 6, 2012 be approved.
Carried.

2012-455 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That the minutes of the regular Council meeting of October 16th, 2012 be adopted.
Carried.

2012-456 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That the minutes of the MoPED Committee meeting of October 15th, 2012 be adopted. **Carried**

2012-457 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That the resignation letter from MoPED member Debbie Piper be received, with regrets.
Carried.

2012-458 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That the Communications Committee minutes of October 17th, 2012 be adopted. **Carried.**

2012-459 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That the minutes of the Powassan and District Union Library meeting of September 24th, 2012 be received..
Carried.

2012-460 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That the minutes of the North Almaguin Planning Board meeting of September 6th, 2012 be received. **Carried.**

2012-461 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That the draft minutes of the Almaguin Highlands Economic Development Committee meeting of October 18th, 2012 be received. . **Carried.**

2012-462 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Presentation on Electoral Boundaries be received.
Carried.

2012-463 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That the minutes of the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board meeting September 13th, 2012 be received. **Carried.**

2012-464 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That By-law no. 2012-27 being a By-law to authorize an agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan and the Powassan Curling Club, considered read a FIRST and SECOND time October 2nd, 2012, be considered read a third and final time and adopted at this the regular Council meeting of November 6th, 2012. **Carried.**

2012-465 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That correspondence related to Source Water Protection between Mayor McIsaac and Minister Jim Bradley dated October 3rd and October 15th respectively, be received. **Carried.**

2012-466 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner
That the surplus in the Medical Centre rent account 1-60-56500 be transferred at year end to the Medical Centre Reserve for future use. **Carried.**

2012-467 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
That correspondence from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) be received.
Carried.

*Mayor McIsaac left the chair for item 13.1 due to a declared conflict.
Councillor Giesler took the chair.*

2012-468 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb
WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has announced plans to divest itself from Ontario Northland Transportation Commission;

WHEREAS this decision has already resulted in the cancellation of the 102 year old Ontario Northlander train service and plans to sell off Ontario Northland's bus routes which will privatize the only intercity public transit serving many northern communities;

WHEREAS our resource sector relies on freight rail and changes in that service would seriously impact our economy. Our existing highway network does not have the capacity to replace freight rail if cancelled or made economically unviable;

WHEREAS rail networks are much more economical to sustain than such an extensive highway system as well as being more environmentally friendly;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Powassan petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to immediately suspend plans to divest from ONTC and consult with local municipalities, stakeholders and regional economic development organizations regarding the long-term plans for improving the effectiveness of ONTC as a government asset.
Carried.

Mayor McIsaac returned to the chair.

2012-469 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner

WHEREAS the Ministry of Natural Resources has announced the end of overnight camping in ten provincial parks in Northern Ontario;

WHEREAS this decision will cost Northern Ontario 130 direct jobs and negatively impact tourism and Northern Ontario's way of life;

WHEREAS local stakeholders and municipalities have not been consulted on these closures and have been denied the opportunity to make these parks more sustainable;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Powassan petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to immediately suspend plans to cancel overnight camping at the ten provincial parks and;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministry immediately consult with local municipalities, stakeholders and regional economic development organizations regarding the long-term viability of preserving Northern Ontario provincial parks. **Carried.**

2012-470 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner

That the accounts payable listing report dated October 18, 22, 26 12 2012 in the total amount of \$356,236.09 be approved for payment. **Carried.**

2012-471 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb

That Council now adjourns to closed session at 8:00 pm to discuss:

18.1 Adoption of Closed Session minutes of October 16, 2012.

18.2 Personnel issues, Part 1 (6) (b) of the Procedural Bylaw -personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. **Carried.**

2012-472 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb

That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 8:45 pm. **Carried.**

2012-473 Moved by: N. Barner Seconded by: R. Glabb

That Kim Bester-Melanson be appointed as the Secretary for the Maple Syrup Festival Committee. **Carried.**

2012-474 Moved by: G. Giesler Seconded by: N. Barner

That the Clerk be authorized to purchased a gift for the retirement of the Public Works Superintendent. **Carried.**

2012-475 Moved by: R. Glabb Seconded by: N. Barner

That Council now adjourns at 8:46 pm. **Carried.**

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer