

The minutes of the regular meeting of Twp of Lake of the Woods Council held on Tuesday April 5th, 2005 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Mayor: V Pizey Councilors: C Fadden, W Lundgren, J Moen & T Sepers Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Rd Supt: E Pearson, Visitors: Report R Brett, Jill Wilhite, E Rencher, S Gate & others. J Wilhite gave an update on the Aulneau Peninsula Enhanced Wildlife Management Plan advisory committee that she was appointed to. She gave information on forestry use and other issues related to the peninsula. Council advised her that they would like to see a public meeting in Morson area regarding this matter. She asked about compensation for lost time at work, but appointment resolution indicated all cost were to be covered by MNR. Her presentation ended at 7:35. Erica Rencher presented a written report to council on the proposed recreation committee followed by a question & answer period, council now supports the new committee being formed various aspects of a new recreation by-law were also discussed and her presentation ended at 7:45. Next Sheila Gate and Elizabeth Mitchell from BFR requested clarification on their bingo license and whether it would be suspended because there was no lease in place, they also objected to the wording of draft lease. The Clerk-Treasurer will check again with AGCO and on the necessary content of the proposed lease. The Mayor reviewed the letters from AGCO and alternate wording for a lease. This session ending at 8:45 p.m.

**BFR
#05-36**

SEPERS & FADDEN & CARRIED that the Clerk-Treasurer submit, Draft #2 of a proposed lease with BFR, to Alcohol & Gaming Commission of Ontario, for their review. If deemed acceptable, then a formal lease is to be signed by all parties. An addition to the draft is to include a cross liability insurance clause by BFR for outdoor facility use.

**MINUTES
#05-37**

LUNDGREN & SEPERS & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 8th, 2005, be adopted as printed.

**ACCOUNTS
#05-38**

SEPERS & FADDEN & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount \$43,619.29 and representing disbursements for the month March be approved for payment.

**DUMP HOURS
#05-39**

SEPERS & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the dump hours be adjusted effective May 3, 2005, as follows: Bergland Wednesday, Friday & Sunday 10am to 3pm, Morson Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 10am to 3pm.

**CURFEW
#05-40**

LUNDGREN & SEPERS & CARRIED that Council suspend the curfew of 11 p.m.

**BY-LAW 147
#05-41**

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that By-law No 147, being the CBO Agreement Addendum By-law, be enacted.

**BY-LAW 148
#05-42**

MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that By-law No 148, being the Workplace Harassment & Discrimination Prevention Policy Adoption By-law, be enacted.

**BY-LAW 149
#05-43**

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that By-law No 149, being the Miscellaneous User Fee By-law, be enacted.

**BY-LAW 150
#05-44**

LUNDGREN & SEPERS & CARRIED that By-law No 150, being the Cemetery & Parks Keeper Contract By-law, be enacted.

**NOMA
#05-45**

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that the following be authorized to attend the annual NOMA convention in Kenora, April 27-30 2005: V Pizey.

BROADBAND
#05-32

SEPERS & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that a letter be sent to Rainy River Future Development Corporation supporting their broadband service proposal, for funding through NOHFC.

OTHER MATTERS

Council held a public meeting to review its user fees, see by-law above. Road Supt submitted his written report, with annual road patrol set for April 23, @ 8 am. MTO letter on oiling was received after last meeting, we will have a request for Otilie Rd in 2006 with none this year. Councillor Moen was seeking clarification on the Rainycrest issue and the appointment of Riverside as interim manager and the why the RRDSSAB proposal recommended by Rainycrest. Councillor Sepers requested again that council consider passage of a “no smoking” policy for our community halls, however council will not proceed at this time rather they will allow the Province to enact legislation on the matter. As well as various by-laws being brought forward the Clerk-Treasurer presented a draft agreement for the hall custodian contract and a lease for BFR. BFR has been issued a bingo license and are seeking support for a toonie pot license application to AGCO. Mayor Pizey DECLARED A CONFLICT AND LEFT THE ROOM FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEM. The Clerk-Treasurer gave a report on a meeting that he and Councillor Fadden attended with Anishinaabeg of Naongashiing (Big Island) for fire protection, a draft agreement was considered by Council and will be submitted to Big Island for consideration. Draft drainage program guidelines were received for review there are substantial changes in that only farm class lands will be eligible for grants and reduced amount for allowances and no fencing will be paid for. The Clerk-Treasurer will attend a training session in Thunder Bay April 13 on the new Provincial Policy Statement for planning act applications. The new OMP Funding notice has been received it replaces CRF. 2003 & 2004 CRF reconciliation is a one time funding of \$69,000 and our base increases from \$344,000 to \$398,652 and we are the only municipality in the District that will receive increases in the base in the future (\$147,784 over the next 3 years). Notice of an application to take water by K & L Pentney for a golf course was received, and an application for rezoning of the property for a golf course was also received for consideration at the next meeting. Council not purchasing any grow bonds. RRDSSAB budget increase is 10.47% overall, levy may be more or less and depends on the assessments and ratios of the other municipalities. RDDSSAB has also served notice on the province that unless adequate funding is provided for ambulance & social housing etc then cuts in service may occur in 2006. The township received a grant of \$50,000 for fire services, council will consider the use of these funds which is to be an addition to regular budget, training & capital equipment are eligible. Fire Chief W Detweiler has tendered his resignation, which is to be effective as soon as a replacement can be found. We have no deputy chief. A cost proposal was received from K Smart Associates for culvert replacement on Pioneer Rd and under the COMRIF program, council will inspect the culvert on the road patrol. No action is being taken on request for funding for Household Hazardous Waste Day 2005.

ADJOURN
#05-47

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that the meeting is adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk