

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday February 5th, 2008 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

- Present Mayor: V Pizey, Councillors: C Fadden, N Gate, J Moen & T Sepers. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt E Pearson Visitors: Insp. D Lucas OPP, Reporter R Brett.
- Inspector Lucas updated Council on the district stats for 2007 and noted that many of the break and entries from 1996 were solved in 2007. Also new teams are in place for traffic/marine and trails unit etc. Council asked various questions about the service in the community.
- MINUTES **#08-10 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Jan 8th, 2008 be approved as circulated.
- ACCOUNTS **#08-11 SEPERS & GATE & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amounts of \$119,637.86 and representing disbursements for the month of January, less the accounts for Bergland General Store & Miller Contracting, be approved for payment.
- ACCOUNTS **#08-12 GATE & MOEN & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amounts of \$2,027.84 and representing disbursements for the month of January, for Bergland General Store & Miller Contracting be approved for payment. **C FADDEN DECLARED** an interest as spouse is an employee of Miller Contracting. **COUNCILLOR SEPERS** Declared an interest in the accounts of Bergland General Store.
- CPI WAGES **#08-13 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED** that pursuant to Council HR Policy 24.0 Compensation & Benefits an increase of 2.1% for wages & salaries, being the CPI increase for 2007, be confirmed effective January 1st, 2008. The fire chief position has been exempted from this policy any adjustments in wages etc will be dealt with by council resolution.
- PETERSON'S **#08-14 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED** the Clerk-Treasurer be requested to respond to the January 21, 2008 letter from Mary Lou Peterson and advise the taxpayer that Council has reviewed the file on Peterson's Food Town building. Council can not change the fact that a building permit was not applied for or issued for the construction/renovations on the building in the summer of 1992. **COUNCILLOR SEPERS** Declared an interest as the spouse of the lessee of Peterson's Food Town.
- BYLAW 208 **#08-15 GATE & SEPERS & CARRIED** that By-law No 208, being a By-law to authorize the submission of an application to the Ontario Infrastructure Projects Corporation for funding from the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative, be enacted.
- BYLAW 209 **#08-16 MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED** that By-law No 209, being the Stintzi Drain 2006 Cost Amending & Levying By-law, be enacted.
- WEBSITE **#08-17 GATE & FADDEN & CARRIED** that pursuant to requests from Trinity Lutheran Church and Spruce Creek Golf Course our website be updated to indicate the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the church, with related information etc and the establishment of the new golf course.
- OTHER The Road Supt reported to council, and asked if we were doing any surface treatment this year, and he is to do a report up for next meeting on his priorities for work in 2008. The Mayor reported on RRDSSAB items. A budget update report, with year end figures, from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. OMPF of \$103,311 was received. Council reviewed a part of Sections 4 & 5 of the Official Plan to complete their informal review; a formal review process will now be undertaken. Council reviewed the proposal for service and cost for recycling from Asselin Transport and Council is not proceeding with the service at this time. Council also took no action on the request for funding from the Rainy River Valley Safety Coalition and they are not making an application for drainage maintenance grants. The new cemetery rules and fee schedule have been filed/approved effective January 2, 2008. Our notice of Annual Repayment Limit (\$151,482) was received. Councillors Fadden & Gate will attend a meeting in RR March 3rd to discuss access to Bus Service in the west end. Council was copied on a letter from G Fisher of Grassy Narrows Lodge to Councillor T Sepers regarding his recent comments about the rules for entry to Canada at the border. The Clerk-Treasurer is to seek suppliers for point of service water treatment systems in the two halls and that may be a possible use of the gas tax revenues for 2009. The Clerk-Treasurer has applied to the Gas Tax program for an exemption from a formal audit for 2007. Council reviewed the file information and discussed the letter from M L Peterson regarding their 1992 construction/ renovation project on their store which was completed without a building permit, see #08-14 above.
- ADJOURN **#08-18 MOEN & FADDEN CARRIED** that the meeting is adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk