

The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday February 3rd 2009 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

Present Mayor: V Pizey, Councillors: N Gate, J Moen & T Sepers. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt E Pearson, Richard McKenzie, Deputy Fire Chief R McKenzie reported on the department, the water pump at Morson is being modified as the motor is under capacity & therefore needs modifications, Councillor Moen expressed concern with removal of old tanker, the rapid attack will be primary vehicle with backfill from trucks at Bergland Hall. The water tank is to be in by mid February. Weather permitting a family skate day will be held Feb 15 with fire prevention material and education being part of the day's activities. The Fire Chief has requested a computer and internet access, as fire reports are now to be done on line, Council advised that this is to be part of his budget proposal.

- MINUTES #09-10 GATE & MOEN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held January 6th 2009, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #09-11 GATE & MOEN & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$132,606.83 and representing disbursements for the month of January, less the accounts for Bergland General Store, R A Gill & Miller Contracting, be approved for payment.
- ACCOUNTS #09-12 MOEN & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$1,132.87 and representing disbursements for the month of January, for Bergland General Store, R A Gill & Miller Contracting be approved for payment. COUNCILLOR SEPERS Declared an interest in the accounts of Bergland General Store.
- EI WEB #09-13 SEPERS & GATE & CARRIED that the Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to enroll the Township with Service Canada for Records of Employment to be WEB filed.
- WAGES #09-14 MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that the CPI adjustment for Dec 07 to Dec 08 being 1.5% and therefore pursuant to our Human Resources Policies wages and salaries be adjusted January 1, 2009 by 1.5%.
- WEB NAME #09-15 MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED our website domain name hosting fee with webnames.ca be renewed for a term of 5years and a fee of \$205.00 plus GST.
- BY-LAW 220 #09-16 SEPERS & GATE & CARRIED that By-law No 220 being the OGDE Agreement By-law be enacted.
- BY-LAW 221 #09-17 MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that By-law No 221 being the SKRR Stewardship Council Agreement By-law be enacted.
- BY-LAW 222 #09-18 SEPERS & GATE & CARRIED that By-law No 222 being the Deputy Fire Chief Appointment By-law be enacted.
- RRDMA #09-19 SEPERS & MOEN & CARRIED that Council support the attached resolution of January 26, 2009 to request the Ministry of Tourism to take a lead role in the investigation and identification of all issues regarding the ease of access to the OTIC in Fort Frances.

OTHER The Road Supt submitted his written monthly report for council. The Rd Supt will be scrapping down roads and sanding as necessary with warm up and to check on cost for back up generator for halls. The Clerk-Treasurer reviewed his report including year end surplus of \$44311 in revenue fund, proposed Stewardship agreement with SKRR Stewardship Council, MTO quarry permit expansion at the corner of Hwy 619 & Windmill Rd, request for OGDE agreement for access to MNR digital mapping, see above, will be seeking a quote from Debra Smith for 911 numbering on the lake, OPP cost at \$49725, the T2 Corporation tax return has been submitted. The Annual Repayment Limit is \$134800 as per information from MMAH. The issue of high water levels in the Morson Cemetery was discussed, we could either excavate or trench to place tile drains below grade to lower the water levels, if tile drain contractor is in the area we could have this done. (H Romyn has a trencher that may work). Mayor Pizey appointed Councillor Moen to the Cemetery Committee to assist the committee with various issues, including the high water levels in Morson Cemetery that need to be resolved. Web name domain needs to be renewed, see above. A Sepers gave some background information on his minor variance proposal (to allow an accessory use in the exterior side yard) as he will not be here next meeting. The Mayor reported on the recent RRDMA meeting in Atikokan. N Gate reported on the medical van between Rainy River & Fort Frances, this will likely not be much benefit to our residents. Council took no action on the following: to join other municipalities in issues around the RRFN land purchases, as we are not in the settlement area, on the request from the RRD Diversity Committee, on RRVSC per capita levy, nor on the Clover Valley Food Box program, the Mayor declared at conflict as a share hold in the Clover Valley Farmers Market.

ADJOURN #09-20 SEPERS & MOEN & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

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