

The minutes of the regular meeting of Twp of Lake of the Woods Council held on Tuesday January 11, 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: J Fisher from Morson Bass International, Fire Chief W Detwieler & J Eastman, Sheila Gate & Jodi Gouliquer.

Mr. Fisher outlined plans for 2005 bass tournament to become a community event. The need for assistance, both financial & personnel was outlined, any profits are to be used to reinvest in the community including long term plan for development of park area at government dock. Other groups are to be involved as well, with booths etc. MBI suggests that fees be put in place for the dock & parking during the balance of the tourist season as a revenue to the municipality but no fees during the tournament. There are some concerns from some members of Council and Council wants an overall plan in place before they consent to major changes to any facilities. Any financial aid will be considered within the overall budget process. Fire Chief Detwieler presented a draft 2005 budget to council as well as answered questions regarding the fire department. Including advising that most fire fighters want to be able to make the choice as to whether or not to respond to house fires in the unincorporated areas & first nations. The Clerk had discussed this matter with the District Fire Chief Richardson and it is council's decision whether or not fire fighters can respond outside municipality, see#05-04.

MINUTES  
#05-01

SEPERS & FADDEN & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on December 7th, 2004, be adopted as circulated.

ACCOUNTS  
#05-02

LUNDGREN & MOEN & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount \$63,796.82 and representing disbursements for the month December be approved for payment.

FIRE CHIEF  
#05-03

LUNDGREN & SEPERS & CARRIED that the Fire Chief compensation be \$300.00 per month and split between honorarium and meterage.

FIRE DEPT  
#05-04

SEPERS & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorize the Fire Department to respond to fires at First Nations or unincorporated areas when dispatched.

MAYOR PIZEY AS FIRST NATION MANAGER DECLARED A CONFLICT, Councillor Lundgren took the Chair.

GARBAGE  
#05-05

SEPERS & MOEN & CARRIED that Councillor T Sepers be authorized to approach Big Island & Big Grassy First Nations to discuss the issue of garbage disposal.

BASS TOURNMNT  
#05-06

LUNDGREN & SEPERS & CARRIED that MBI be advised that Council authorizes the use of the government dock and parking area for their Bass Tournament. Also they can use gravel from Vauthey Pit and remove trees from parking area, both under the supervisions of the Rd Supt. Insurance coverage is to be in place for the Bass Tournament.

RESERVE  
#05-07

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that Council authorizes an allocation of \$25,000.00 to Working Capital Reserve. And the reserve for doubtful taxes \$1320.00 be taken into general revenues.

CURFEW  
#05-08

SEPERS & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that the curfew be extended beyond 11p.m.

REC CMTT  
#05-09

SEPERS & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that Council authorize an ad for people interested in forming a recreation committee and a cemetery committee. The ad to be placed in the Westend Weekly with names to be submitted by Feb 1, 2005.

BY-LAW 139  
#05-10

SEPERS & FADDEN & CARRIED that By-law No 139, being the Emergency Mutual Assistance By-law, be enacted.

BY-LAW 140  
#05-11

SEPERS & LUNDGREN & CARRIED that By-law No 140, being the 9-1-1 CERB Services Agreement By-law, be enacted.

RRDMA  
#05-12

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that the following be authorized to attend the annual RRDMA meeting in Barwick Jan 29, 2005: V Pizey, J Moen, C Fadden & P Giles.

IN CAMERA  
#05-13

MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that Council go in camera to discuss personnel matters at 11:40 p.m. The meeting was declared open at 12:05 a.m.

OTHER MATTERS

The Rd Supt reported on roads, and the furnace at the Bergland hall, the issue of proper use of the propane heater & air exchange system to be investigated and reported back to council. The issue of payment for G Haddock to daily check the heliport will be addressed next meeting. The Rd Supt to deal with the issues identified by MOE in dump reports. Amendments to the use of roadside permits to be brought forward by the Rd Supt to deal with forfeiture of deposit if unauthorized use or non-repair of the roadside occur. The Clerk wrote C Gaudry requesting he remove his houseboats from Otilie Rd allowance, he stated that Rd Supt had given permission (Rd Supt denied this), for next year he will be told that it is not possible to use the road allowance for storage and we will remove the houseboats at his costs. The Clerk updated council on the budget and recommended an allocation to working capital reserve, see #05-07, there will be a small surplus for the year (\$1200). The issue as to whether L Nordin retired or resigned was questioned by Councillor Moen, for the record "retired" will be the term used. Councillor Moen concerned about the community safety issue due to the number of break and entries in the Morson area lately, The Clerk to write to Stge Dennis requesting action by OPP. MPAC levy increase to \$22896 from \$22432 for 2005. Councillor Sepers reported back on issue of establishment of a recreation committee and wants to ensure the whole community has a chance to be on a proposed committee, see # 05-09. Councillor Moen brought up the issue of use of the Vauthey Rd garbage cage by individuals from outside the municipality. The First Nations have been advised that they can not use our landfill sites (due to limited life span) and therefore the cages as well. Councillor Sepers will approach the First Nations on the issue, see #05-05. The Clerk to arrange for printing of business card size dump permits and then issuance by dump attendant. The Clerk advised Council to consider projects for submission to 2<sup>nd</sup> round of application for COMRIFunding. Another proposed policy to be considered next meeting as well as adoption of the amended Bid protest & bid irregularities policies. The Mayor received a letter from Archie Jarvis suggesting that he received information from T Sepers in his municipal by-election material from the Twp. The Clerk again denied this, as he had no access to information for either candidate. The Mayor will respond to the letter.

ADJOURN  
#05-14

FADDEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that the meeting is adjourned at 12:08 a.m.

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Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk