

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-THIRD REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON FOURTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY 2008 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, 420 LESLIE AVENUE, THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO AT THE HOUR OF 5:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT: Reeve Maria Harding
Councillor Alana Bishop
Councillor Donna Blunt
Councillor Ab Covello
Councillor Ron Giardetti

ALSO PRESENT: Wendy Hamlin, Clerk
Craig Baumann, Manager of Operations
Blair Arthur, Fire Chief
In Audience – Jo-Anne Hamelin
Ron Lee Kam

1. CALL TO ORDER

Resolution No.: 398/08	
Moved By:	Ron Giardetti
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT this meeting of Council is hereby called to order at 5:00 pm	
CARRIED	

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no disclosure of pecuniary interest by any member of Council on any item listed on the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No.: 399/08	
Moved By:	Ab Covello
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT the agenda be accepted as presented.	
CARRIED	

4. CLOSED SESSION

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- a) Minutes of the previous Meeting
 - i) Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 10, 2007

Resolution No.: 400/08	
Moved By:	Donna Blunt
Seconded By:	Ron Giardetti
THAT the minutes of the Twenty-second Regular Meeting of Council held December 10, 2007 be adopted as circulated.	
CARRIED	

b) Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Councillor Blunt updated Council on the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority 2008 levy.

6. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

7. REPORTS & MINUTES FROM OTHER BOARDS & COMMITTEES

a) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held December 10, 2007

Resolution No.: 401/08	
Moved By:	Donna Blunt
Seconded By:	Ab Covello
THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held December 10, 2007 be adopted as circulated.	
CARRIED	

b) Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Committee of the Whole held January 7, 2007

Resolution No.: 402/08	
Moved By:	Ron Giardetti
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Committee of the Whole held January 7, 2007 be adopted as circulated.	
CARRIED	

c) Municipality of Shuniah Tender Opening held December 18, 2007

Resolution No.: 403/08	
Moved By:	Ab Covello
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
THAT the Minutes of the Municipality of Shuniah's Tender Opening Committee held December 18, 2007 be received as circulated.	
CARRIED	

d) Minutes of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority meeting held November 21, 2007

e) Minutes of the Thunder Bay District Health Unit Board of Health meeting held November 17, 2007.

- f) Notice and Agenda of joint meeting with NOMA and Northwestern Ontario Forest Council to be held January 18, 2008 at the Victoria Inn

Resolution No.: 404/08

Moved By: Donna Blunt
Seconded By: Ron Giardetti

THAT Council hereby approves that the following persons attend the NOMA and Northwestern Ontario Forest Council session to be held January 18, 2008 in Thunder Bay and that their expenses be paid according to policy:
Maria Harding or Ron Giardetti or Donna Blunt.

CARRIED

8. MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF MOTIONS

- a) By-law Enforcement
- b) Building and Planning
- c) Public Works
 - i) Resolution to accept tender submission to purchase 1983 John Deere Loader

Resolution No.: 405/08

Moved By: Donna Blunt
Seconded By: Ab Covello

THAT the tender submitted by Ivan Hamelin in the amount of \$8,770.51, plus GST, to purchase Unit #41, 1983 John Deere 500C Loader Backhoe on a where is as is basis BE ACCEPTED.

CARRIED

- d) Fire Department
 - i) Resolution to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to fund the Northwestern Campus of the Ontario Fire College

Resolution No.: 406/08

Moved By: Ron Giardetti
Seconded By: Ab Covello

WHEREAS the Northern Campus of the Ontario Fire College is not allocating the necessary resources for mandatory firefighter training in Northern Ontario.

AND WHEREAS funding is required to ensure that the necessary resources to meet the mandatory firefighting training in Northern Ontario are made available to all;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Shuniah hereby petitions the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to fully fund the Northwestern Campus of the Ontario Fire College so as not to compromise the Ontario Standardization Firefighter Training Curriculum and programs that are presently being offered and those that will be offered.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to all municipalities within the Thunder Bay District for support.

CARRIED

e) Administration

- i) Request to Committee of the Whole to change the rotation of the Chair from semi annually to a quarterly rotation

Resolution No.: 407/08

Moved By: Donna Blunt
Seconded By: Ab Covello

WHEREAS By-law No. 2297-07, the Procedural By-law, states under Section 4.6, that at the first Regular Meeting of Council after a regular election the Council shall, by resolution, appoint Acting Reeves for the term of the Council;

AND WHEREAS Section 6.1 of the above noted by-law states that Council may amend the Chair of the Committee of the Whole of Council during its term;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 11/06 is hereby rescinded and that Council hereby appoints the following Council Members as Acting Reeves for this Term of Council for the time periods as listed corresponding their names;

Donna Blunt		January to June 2009
Alana Bishop		July to December 2009
Ab Covello	January to June 2008	January to June 2010
Ron Giardetti	June to December 2008	June to November 2010

AND FURTHER THAT Council hereby appoints the following Council Members as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of Council for this Term of Council for the time periods as listed corresponding their names;

Ab Covello	January to March 2008	October to December 2009	July to September 2010
Ron Giardetti	April to June 2009	January to March 2009	October to November 2010
Donna Blunt	July to September 2008	April to June 2009	January to March 2010
Alana Bishop	October to December 2008	July to September 2009	April to June 2010

CARRIED

- ii) Memo re: Family Day Holiday

The Third Monday in February each year has been proclaimed as a Public Holiday.

f) Finance Department

- i) Resolution to proceed with sale of Lots 21 and 22 Plan M-218 Bass Lake

Resolution No.: 408/08

Moved By: Alana Bishop
Seconded By: Ron Giardetti

WHEREAS Council passed Resolution No. 172/07 on May 11, 2007 directing the Chief Administrative Officer to begin the process of putting each of Lots 21 & 22 of Registered Plan M-218 up for sale through a public tender process;

AND WHEREAS Council passed Resolution No. 316/07 to amend Resolution No. 172/07 with respect to Mr. Ron Lee Kam and Miriam Wall requesting to purchase Lot 21 noted above, which abuts their property being Lot 20;

AND WHEREAS the applicants have since expressed a sincere interest in purchasing both Lots 21 and 22 at the appraised market value;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports this request and hereby rescinds Resolution No. 316/07;

AND FURTHER THAT Resolution No. 172/07 is hereby amended by the deletion of the last paragraph and replacing it with the following two paragraphs;

AND FURTHER THAT the cost of the appraisals obtained by the Chief Administrative Officer be borne by Mr. Ron Lee Kam and Miriam Wall.

AND THAT FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Reeve and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all documents required to complete the sale of Lots 21 and 22 Registered Plan M-218 providing the following conditions have been met:

- (1) that the applicants be responsible for all legal fees to complete the transaction;
- (2) that the applicants enter into an agreement with the Municipality stating that no transfer or sale will take place on Lot 22 for a 10 year period, to be registered on title; and
- (3) that the applicants pay to the Corporation of the Municipality of Shuniah the appraised value of \$125,000.00 for Lots 21 and 22 Plan M-218;

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk prepare the necessary by-law to confirm the foregoing

CARRIED

ii) Request to write off Property Taxes

Resolution No.: 409/08

Moved By: Ron Giardetti
Seconded By: Alana Bishop

THAT the request from Lisa Karkkainen to write off \$268.07 in property taxes be denied.

CARRIED

iii) City of Thunder Bay request participation for Municipal Office as outlet for waterfill station smart card sales.

Resolution No.: 410/08

Moved By: Ron Giardetti
Seconded By: Donna Blunt

WHEREAS the City of Thunder Bay will no longer provide water fill stations free of charge;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, for the convenience of its residents, the Corporation of the Municipality of Shuniah agrees to become an outlet to sell Water Station Smart Cards on behalf of the City of Thunder Bay.

CARRIED

9. REPORTS OF REEVE AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Councillor Blunt spoke to a meeting held in Red Rock for the Thunder Bay District Municipal League. She reviewed the draft agenda for the Spring Session in Long Lac. She informed Council that Nipigon is requesting support for their landfill to take in waste from other communities. After discussion the Clerk was directed to prepare a resolution in support for Council's consideration at its next meeting.

Councillor Blunt informed Council that a taxpayer had approached her with a suggestion that the Municipality purchase the McKenzie Inn to be revitalized as a Long Term Care Facility. After discussion the Clerk was directed to bring this matter to next Committee of the Whole of Council meeting for discussion.

Councillor Bishop informed Council that she has been appointed, for 3 years, as a member of the Board for NOSTA.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of Correspondence were noted.

- a) General
 - i) Letter to Hon. Dwight Duncan from Michael Gravelle regarding our petition for proportionate allotment of funding costs for District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB)
 - ii) Response letter from Municipality of Neebing supporting Council's resolution for proportionate allotment of funding costs for DSSAB.
 - iii) Response letter from Township of Terrace Bay supporting Council's resolution for proportionate allotment of funding costs for DSSAB.
 - iv) Response letter from Township of Conmee supporting Council's resolution for proportionate allotment of funding costs for DSSAB.
 - v) Response letter from MTO regarding our request for intersection delineators/markers along Hwy 11/17.
 - vi) Thank you Letter from George Ozburn Senior of the Year.
 - vii) Thank you letter from Michael Gravelle.
 - viii) Thank you from the Shuniah Volunteer Fire Department
- b) Referred

BY-LAWS

- a) A by-law to provide fire protection services, establish and maintain and operate a fire department

Resolution No.: 411/08

Moved By: Alana Bishop
Seconded By: Ab Covello

THAT a by-law to provide fire protection services, establish and maintain and operate a fire department be read a First and Second time this Fourteenth Day of January 2008 and that same be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

After a lengthy discussion on Ambulance Services being dispatched from Thunder Bay, the Clerk was directed to write a letter to Superior North EMS requesting statistics on the 2007 time lines as to when the ambulance was out of the community.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a) AMO - Charting Your Future for Municipal Officials 4 Module Seminar being held Feb 13 & 14, May 14 & 15, 2008 Valhalla Inn, Thunder Bay

Resolution No.: 412/08	
Moved By:	Donna Blunt
Seconded By:	Ron Giardetti
<p>THAT Council hereby approved the following persons attend the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's Charting Your Future for Municipal Official Modules to be held in Thunder Bay, as listed, and that their expenses be paid according to policy:</p> <p>Module I - February 14, 2008 – Councillors Blunt and Giardetti, Module II – May 14, 2008 – Councillor Bishop Module III - May 15, 2008 – Councillor Bishop Module IV – February 13, 2008 - and as requested.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>	

- b) Resolution to support Ontario Medical Association calling for Provincial ban on smoking in vehicles where children are present.

Resolution No.: 413/08	
Moved By:	Ab Covello
Seconded By:	Donna Blunt
<p>WHEREAS the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) has been advocating for a ban on smoking in cars transporting children to protect them from the negative health impacts of Second-Hand-Smoke (SHS);</p> <p>AND WHEREAS research shows that vehicles can be a potent source of SHS, and that such exposure can be 23 times more toxic than in a house because air circulation is restricted within a small space;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS protecting children from the negative health impacts of SHS is a critical public health initiative;</p> <p>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Shuniah strongly supports the Ontario Medical Association on in its quest in calling for a Provincial ban on smoking in vehicles where children are present.</p> <p>AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Margaret Best, Minister of Health Promotion; George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care; and the Thunder Bay District Health Unit.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED</p>	

13. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution No.: 414/08	
Moved By:	Ron Giardetti
Seconded By:	Ab Covello
<p>THAT a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be read a First, Second, and Third time on this Fourteenth Day of January 2008 and Numbered 2303-08.</p>	

