

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leo Jobin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Councillors David Hodgins, Teresa Miller, and Cec Reid present. Councillor Micheline Mamone was absent on authorized leave. Victor Fedeli, MPP for Nipissing, and his wife Patty, were in attendance at the meeting. Staff member present was Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler.

NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2012-37

Cec Reid – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented. ‘Carried’

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2012-38

David Hodgins – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the January 24th regular Council meeting, and the January 30th special Council meeting to resolve outstanding issues with respect to the Draft Official Plan, be adopted as printed and circulated. ‘Carried’

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES - None

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Resolution 2012-39

Cec Reid – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Administration, Council, Landfill, and Public Works payroll accounts in the amount of \$23,718.57 for the month of January, 2012, be accepted as presented. ‘Carried’

CITIZEN'S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Victor Fedeli, MPP for Nipissing, was in attendance to update Council on his activities with respect to agricultural and other matters of mutual interest since taking office, and to urge Council to use his office for assistance when required. Mayor Jobin extended thanks on behalf of Council to MPP Fedeli for attending the meeting.

OPEN FORUM – None

MAYOR, STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolution 2012-40

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Mayor, Staff and Committee Reports be accepted as presented, and a summary of these reports be attached as Addendum “A” to the minutes. ‘Carried’

BUDGET REPORT

Resolution 2012-41

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Budget Report for the month of January, 2012, be accepted as presented. ‘Carried’

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2012-42

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: **WHEREAS** the provincial government is moving forward with respect to the implementation of the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario (“Plan”) without engaging in full consultation with all concerned parties;

AND WHEREAS based on the structure of the Plan, there may be additional challenges for smaller Northern Ontario communities with respect to accessing government funding for local, municipal economic development;

AND WHEREAS the current focus appears to be centered on a few larger communities (Sudbury and Thunder Bay), which could lead to the marginalization of the needs of smaller communities;

AND WHEREAS the proposed pilot with respect to developing Regional Economic Development Areas for Northeastern Ontario does not address the needs and concerns of rural communities;

AND WHEREAS the Province is in receipt of position papers from many northern communities objecting to the direction of the Plan and the Province has not responded to these concerns, or more definitively outlined the benefits of all affected parties;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm do whatever is necessary in order to try to persuade the Province to seek the approval of a majority of affected Municipalities and First Nation

communities in Northern Ontario in creating a Plan that represents the economic goals of all communities, whether they be rural or urban. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-43

Teresa Miller – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm accepts an invitation from the Northeastern Fire Education Conference to have Mayor Leo Jobin participate in the opening ceremonies of the Conference on March 30, 2012 at 08:00 hours. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-44

David Hodgins – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes the attendance of Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler at the C.A.O. Review Committee Meeting of Municipal Partners to be held on February 15th at North Bay City Hall. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-45

David Hodgins – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes the renewal of memberships/subscription in the following associations/newspaper for the year 2012:

- Nipissing South East Municipal Action Group - \$100.00. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-46

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that Council takes a ten-minute recess. **‘Carried’**

Time: 8:05 p.m.

Resolution 2012-47

Teresa Miller – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that Council does now return to regular session. **‘Carried’**

Time: 8:15 p.m.

Resolution 2012-48

David Hodgins – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes a donation of \$50.00 to the Powassan Agricultural Society for the 2012 Fall Fair to be held on the Labour Day weekend. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-49

Teresa Miller – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes a donation of \$50.00 to the Almaguin Track Club. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-50

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm designates the week of April 23-30th, 2012 as Pitch-In Canada Week. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-51

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that meetings be rescheduled as follows:

- (1) Community Economic Development Workshop – Feb. 23 – 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.
- (2) Strategic Planning Committee meeting with Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Representative – March 22 – 9:30 a.m.

Resolution 2012-52

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Overtime Report for the period September 29, 2011 to January 4th, 2012 be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Councillor Cec Reid raised safety concerns regarding the snowmobile trail running on Maple Road; advised Council that it is impossible for the Ontario Provincial Police to do any more surveillance; and suggested that Council think about the possibility of re-routing the trail.

Resolution 2012-53

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that By-law 2012-07, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the February 14th, 2012 meeting, be read a first, second and third time and be passed this 14th day of February, 2012. **‘Carried’**

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2012-54

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that we do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, February 28th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. **‘Carried’**

Mayor, Leo Jobin

Clerk-Treasurer, Linda Ringler

ADDENDUM "A"

MAYOR STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Reports

Mayor Leo Jobin provided reports on the following meetings:

- (1) December 31, 2011 New Year's Levy, Royal Canadian Legion.
- (2) January 3rd Golden Sunshine Club regular meeting.
- (3) January 11th Regional Mayors Meeting, North Bay.
- (4) January 16th Meeting at the Pines.
- (5) January 19th Algonquin Land Claim meeting.
- (6) January 20th Planning Meeting, The Pines, Powassan.
- (7) January 25th Municipal Action Group meeting.
- (8) January 30th Algonquin Land Claim Meeting, East Ferris.
- (9) February 7th Golden Sunshine Club meeting.

Members of Council were provided with a copy of the Minutes of the January 25th Municipal Action Group meeting.

Staff Reports

Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler provided copies of the following correspondence to Council:

- (1) Letter from Ministry of Finance re: Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) 2012 allocation.
- (2) Letter from Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat, acknowledging receipt of township's nomination for a June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism.
- (3) Update from Spectrum Group re: high speed internet towers.
- (4) E-mail from Brian Tayler, CAO, Secretary Treasurer, North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority, advising that grant application for an Integrated Subwatershed Management Plan for Callander Bay and its Contributing Area was not successful.
- (5) Notice of Public Open House for the Township of Bonfield Draft Official Plan and Draft Zoning By-law.
- (6) Correspondence from District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board re: Nipissing Investment in Affordable Housing – Program Delivery and Fiscal Plan.
- (7) Summary of January revenue.
- (8) Tax arrears as of January 31st, 2012 in the amount of \$136,150, which is a decrease of \$8,804.00 from the month of December, 2011, and an increase of \$53,679 from the month of January, 2011.
- (9) Minutes of January 11th, 2012 Centennial Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

- (10) Minutes of January 26th, 2012 Community Service Committee meeting.
- (11) Minutes of January 31st, 2012 General Government Committee meeting.
- (12) Minutes of February 7th, 2012 Committee of Adjustment meeting.

Committee Reports

- 1. Councillor Cec Reid provided a written report on the following meeting:
 - (1) January 25th Annual General meeting of North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority Board of Directors and Source Water Protection.

Councillor Cec Reid mentioned that written reports should be handed in when members of Council attend meetings, and minutes of the meetings are not provided.

Councillor Teresa Miller recommended that Council give consideration as to who should be invited to attend the ceremony to honour the volunteer firefighters on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Department.