

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 24TH, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leo Jobin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with Councillors David Hodgins, Chris Jull, Walter Ross, and Nunzio Scarfone present. Guests in attendance were OPP Staff Sgt. Irving Sloss; Bill Riley, President, Municipal Insurance Services; Richard Burton, David Durocher, Tim Grimster, Diane Labrecque, Les Milton and Catherine O'Banion. Staff member present was and Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler.

NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None noted

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councillor Chris Jull requested that the Minutes of the March 10th regular meeting be revised to reflect that he had requested that it be recorded in the Minutes that he had invited the other members of Council to put something in his Newsletter. Minutes to be revised as requested.

Resolution 2015-89

Nunzio Scarfone – Chris Jull: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the March 10th regular Council Meeting be adopted as printed, and circulated, and revised as above-noted. **'Carried'**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Councillor Nunzio Scarfone requested that an item be added to the Agenda, i.e. perhaps *Unfinished Business*, in an effort to keep track of what has been worked on and what has yet to be done.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS - None

CITIZEN'S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Staff Sgt. Irving Sloss was in attendance to present the Ontario Provincial Police Report for the year 2014 to Council. Staff Sgt. Sloss reported on the top five calls for service, and the policing

hours dedicated to the Township for the years 2012 to 2014. Staff Sgt. Sloss also presented to Council the *2014-2016 Action Plan* for the North Bay Detachment.

Mayor Leo Jobin, on behalf of Council and staff, presented Staff Sgt. Sloss with a *Certificate of Appreciation*, and thanked Staff Sgt. Sloss for his many years of service, and extended congratulations and best wishes to him on his upcoming retirement.

Resolution 2015-90

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that Council takes a ten-minute recess. **‘Carried’**
Time: 7:45 p.m.

Resolution 2015-91

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that Council does now return to regular session. **‘Carried’**
Time: 7:55 p.m.

Bill Riley, President, Municipal Insurance Services, was in attendance to present the highlights of the *Insurance Renewal Proposal* to Council. Council requested a price quotation from Mr. Riley to provide a replacement vehicle should there be an incident involving one of the heavy trucks, taking it out of commission.

Resolution 2015-92

Nunzio Scarfone – Chris Jull: Be it resolved that the Ontario Provincial Police Report for the year 2014, presented by OPP Staff Sgt. Irving Sloss, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

MAYOR STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolution 2015-93

Nunzio Scarfone – Chris Jull: Be it resolved that the *Staff and Committee Reports* be accepted as presented, and a summary of these reports is attached as Addendum “A” to these minutes. **‘Carried’**

REVIEW OF BUDGET REPORT - None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2015-94

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm accepts the Insurance Renewal Proposal from Municipal Insurance Services in the amount of \$35,864 plus RST for the period April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 for the Township’s insurance requirements. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-95

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that By-law 2015-10, being a by-law to decrease the rate of speed of motor vehicles on parts of Alderdale Road and Kells Road, be read a first, second, and third time and be passed this 24th day of March, 2015. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-96

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the letter from David and Anne Dockendorff regarding the possibility of Chisholm Township withdrawing financial support for the Powassan and District Public Library be referred to the Finance Committee Meeting for consideration. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-97

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that the *Overtime Reports* for the following periods be accepted as presented:

- November 20th – December 31st, 2014; and
- January 1st – February 25th, 2015. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-98

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm accepts a recommendation brought forward from the March 18th Recreation Committee Meeting as follows:

- That the Fire Dept. be allowed to use the building at the beach for a training exercise, as long as there is no harm to the building. **‘Carried’**

OPEN FORUM

During the *Open Forum* session, the following items were raised:

- Request to address health care issues – write letter to Ministry of Health re: increased surgical wait times, loss of beds and service;
- Request that in light of letter from Dockendorffs, people be reminded that it was never the Township’s intention to remove library services from its ratepayers;
- Suggestion that Council members go to the library and talk to them about their concerns;
- Overwhelming number of calls regarding a property in the township, and an alleged breach of confidentiality.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Councillor Walter Ross noted that it had been a mistake to try and combine the Public Works Committee and Council meetings, and remarked that there should have been two separate *Agendas* and *Meetings*.

Resolution 2015-99

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that Council does now move into ‘In Camera’ session to consider advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. **‘Carried’** Time: 8:50 p.m.

Resolution 2015-100

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: That Council does now return to regular session. **‘Carried’**
Time: 8:58 p.m.

Resolution 2015-101

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that By-law 2015-11, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the March 24th Council Meeting, be read a first, second and third time and be passed this 24th day of March, 2015. **‘Carried’**

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2015-102

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that Council does now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, April 14th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. **‘Carried’**

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer

ADDENDUM "A"

MAYOR STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Staff Reports

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

1. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing:
 - 2015 Annual Repayment Limit.
 - Bill 73 – the proposed Smart Growth for Our Communities Act, 2015 (proposed changes to the Development Charges Act, 1997 and the Planning Act), and AMO Communications re: same.
2. Memo and *Building Permit Annual Fee Report* for the year 2014.
3. Remuneration Reports for the year 2014:
 - *Council Remuneration and Expenses*; and
 - *Remuneration to Persons – Other Bodies (Including Committees)*.
4. North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority – Letter re: 2015 budget and levy.
5. Memo re: filling of *Fenceviewer* positions. It was decided that the Township would await a response from the Township of Bonfield prior to taking any action in this regard.
6. Memo re: *Committee of Adjustment Guidelines Training*.
7. Ministry of Natural Resources and Nipissing Forest Management Inc. – *Inspection Notice re: Approved 2015 -2016 Annual Work Schedule Nipissing Forest*.

Committee Reports

1. Councillor Nunzio Scarfone provided a Link to the Minutes of the January 28th North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority Annual General Meeting.