

**MINUTES OF McMURRICH/MONTEITH TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL MEETING –MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 2009**

The Council of the Township of McMurrich/Monteith met on Monday, November 2nd, 2009 at 7:30p.m. inside the municipal office/fire hall in Sprucedale.

Present were Reeve, Glynn Robinson, Councillors: Mervin Mulligan, John Murphy, David Evans and Tina Scott.

The members in the audience were: Roads Foreman, Jim Jenkins.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Reeve Glynn Robinson.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest with the agenda.

Murphy/Scott That Council accept the Minutes of the Council meetings held October 5th, 21st, and 26th, 2009. Carried

The scheduled delegations were not present at the time they were called.

Jim Jenkins, Roads Foreman presented his monthly report. Some items of discussion were: delivery of the new grader, Walking Trail Boardwalk sections completed but need to be installed, winter sand, cell phones for workers, Automatic gates (BearWise Funding Program), response from Twp. of Ryerson regarding ratepayer concern with turnaround, and Gas Tax project – gravel and ditching work.

Council thanked Jim Jenkins for his report.

Carolyn Dyk came to the meeting for her delegation. Council welcomed her to the table. Mrs. Dyk is concerned over the trailer that has been placed on a neighbouring property in May of this year. Council discussed the issue and directed staff to send a letter to the property owner with a copy of the Trailer By-law.

Gail Davis wished to speak to Council regarding a road issue. Mrs. Davis was not scheduled for this meeting but Council agreed to allow her delegation. Mrs. Davis requested that Pine Drive be repaired to create a greater width for the roadway. Council directed that the issue be investigated by the Roads Foreman and reported back to Council.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Evans/Scott That Council acknowledge the amended minutes of the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board Meeting held September 10th, 2009. Carried

Mulligan/Scott That Council acknowledge the minutes of the South East Parry Sound District Steering Committee Meeting held September 24th, 2009. Carried

Mulligan/Evans That Council acknowledge the minutes of the Burk's Falls Armour Ryerson Union Public Library Board Meeting held September 30th, 2009. Carried

Mulligan/Evans That Council support the resolution from the Township of Wainfleet objecting to the wetland mapping proposed by the Ministry of Natural Resources which represents a significant erosion of property owner's private property rights. Carried

Murphy/Scott That Council acknowledge the minutes of the Belvedere Heights Board Meeting held September 23rd, 2009. Carried

Murphy/Evans That Council acknowledge the minutes of the Almaguin Highland Economic Development Committee Meeting held October 15th, 2009. Carried

Murphy/Scott That Council support the Resolution #335 from the Township of Machar petitioning the Ministry of Education to update building infrastructure and to properly fund and recognize the value of rural public schools. Carried

Business Carried Forward:

Staff will contact the company hired to complete the Asset Management Plan to find out the deliver date of the plan.

Glynn Robinson updated Council on the Building Canada Fund project. The Engineered plans have not been delivered to the office. Glynn Robinson has had contact with the Engineer, Dan Duke of Duke Engineering requesting the plans. The tender will be prepared for the Community Centre requesting pre-engineered wall sections.

The Affordable Housing Project for Seniors was discussed. The deadline for the application is January 4th, 2010.

Murphy/Scott That Council accept the Proposal from Air, Earth and Water

Environmental Consultants in the amount of \$1700.00 plus G.S.T. for an Environmental Site Assessment – Phase 1 to be included with the application for funding under the Affordable Housing Program administered by the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board. Carried

Mulligan/Evans That Council accept the Proposal from Smith Architect in the amount of \$9800.00 plus G.S.T. to assist with the Planning Proposal for the Senior's Housing Project through the Affordable Housing Program administered by the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board. Carried

There were nine applications received for the Youth Internship Program. The office also received some applications but the applicants did not meet the FedNor requirements of being under 30 years of age and graduating from a post secondary institution. Council will review the applications and meet in the next couple of weeks to set up interviews.

The regulations for every Municipality to prepare a policy on Accessible Customer Service was discussed. More discussion will occur at the December Meeting.

Reeve Glynn Robinson called a 10 minute break

New Business:

The office received a sealed quote from a ratepayer requesting the firewood logs located at the Landfill Site. Council directed staff to advertise at the Landfill Site with a form being created to include a waiver statement indemnifying the Township. Council also discussed the Fire Department's chainsaw course which took place at the Township's Gravel Pit on Stisted Road South.

By-laws:

Murphy/Scott Council accept first and second reading of Bylaw 12-2009 with regards to entering into an agreement through the Ontario Tire Stewardship Program. Carried

Evans/Mulligan With special permission, Council accept third and final reading and pass Bylaw 12-2009 with regards to entering into an agreement through the Ontario Tire Stewardship Program. Carried

Scott/Murphy Council accept first and second reading of Bylaw 11-2009 with regards to entering into an agreement through the Infrastructure Ontario Loan Program. Carried

Mulligan/Evans With special permission, Council accept third and final reading and pass Bylaw 11-2009 with regards to entering into an agreement through the Infrastructure Ontario Loan Program. Carried

Scott/Murphy That Council enter into a closed session at 9:37pm to discuss employee relations. Carried

Evans/Murphy That we come out of a closed session at 9:55pm. Carried

Reports were given.

John Murphy reported on the MMCAP meeting. There will be Sustainability Funding from Industry Canada.

Merv Mulligan reported on the Almaguin Recycling Initiative Meeting, Almaguin Highlands Economic Development meeting and that the Township of Strong will be selling their compactor since they have purchased a baler. Council directed staff to purchase a vinyl sign to be erected at the Landfill Site noting that most hazardous waste can now be accepted at stores or at the Electronic Waste Depot in Huntsville.

Glynn Robinson reported on the Steering Committee meeting keynote speaker being from the Almaguin Highlands Arts Council.

Staff reported that the Wreath purchased for the Legion service will be also presented at the Remembrance Service at Evergreen Heights Education Centre. As well, a certificate will be created for the birthday celebration for Bill McAughey who turns 100 years young this month.

Evans/Scott That Council accepts the Accounts for Approval Report for the month of October, 2009 in the amount of \$555,074.80. Carried

Murphy/Mulligan That Council adjourn this meeting at 10:37pm until the call of the Reeve. CARRIED

Reeve, Glynn Robinson

Clerk, Cheryl Marshall

Minutes not approved until accepted by Council.