

## Council Chambers.

Monday May 30 1903.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Ross assembled this forenoon at 10. O'Clock as a Court of Revision. All the members were present and took the oath of office. The warden in the Chair.

A notice was read from the Bell Telephone Coy declaring their intention of appealing against the assessment of their property in this Municipality. Claiming that the same is not in accordance with an agreement existing at present between that Co. and the said Municipality. As such an agreement was not known to the Clerk or members of the Council it was moved by Mr Black and seconded by Mr Bulmer that the Clerk Phone to the General Superintendent, asking for a copy of said agreement. Carried. The General Supt was called up, but no satisfactory reply could be obtained. The question was then passed over to Mr Dalry's proposal Messrs Worley and Henry Smith's names were added to the Assessment Roll.

No complaints as to the Assessments were made.

Moved by Mr Dalry seconded by Mr Bennett that the Roll be accepted as it now stands

Carried  
On motion of Mr Black seconded by Mr Bulmer the Court now adjourned.

The Council opened their meeting for the general business of the Township at 1 O'Clock P.M. All the members present the Warden in the Chair.



to allow him his labor this year in  
line of same.

Moved by Mr Bulmer seconded by Mr Haley  
that D. Cook be allowed to perform his  
statute labor on a new piece of road round a  
certain hill in road division No 21. the path-  
master to return his work performed when road  
is made passable for public travel. Carried.

Moved by Mr Black seconded by Mr  
Bennett that this Council give a grant of  
\$20<sup>00</sup> to be expended in repairing road between  
lot 5 & 6. from Agricultural Grounds to Town line  
Ross & Bromley provided the Village of Cobden  
give an equal amount. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Black seconded by  
Mr Haley that this Council purchase  
culvert pipe at 65<sup>cts</sup> (sixty five cents) per  
foot delivered any place in the Township  
Carried.

Moved by John Black seconded by John Haley  
that Mr B Shennon's request re. E. Smith's  
fence across 4th Con. be left over till  
next meeting of Council. Carried.

Wesley Smith was appointed pound-keeper in  
place of the late Adoniram Smith.

The following changes were made in pathmaster's  
viz. Wm W. Wade and Joseph St. Plummis in  
place of John Gould and John Black respectively.

Moved by Mr Bulmer seconded by Mr Haley  
that the Road Commissioner be instructed  
as follows: 1st To examine 4 con line  
opposite Smith's and estimate cost of opening  
the same. 2nd To inspect 6th con. line  
opposite Jas Ferguson's and Mrs. McVulcan's  
also fully at Robt Johnstone's on 7th con.

3. To give out job on bridge on Government Road near Jno C Mc Laren's. Cedar left from Elliotts bridge to be used in raising this bridge. Carried

Moved by Mr Bulmer seconded by Mr Haly that Messrs Robt & Jno Howard be notified to remove brush off the road leading to Frank Browns. Carried

Moved by Mr Haly seconded by Mr Black that Mr Wm Gould be granted \$6.00 to blast rock on side line near McLaughlin's School house Carried

Moved by Mr Bennett seconded by Mr Haly that the following bills and accounts be paid and orders granted on the treasure for same viz.

Chas Hines. Funeral expenses for Jno Pigeon	\$ 21.60
D. Holt. Funeral expenses for Mrs Pigeon's child	4.00
Jno. Thibault Refund of School tax	1.61
P. B. Minore Repairs for Hall	2.60
Robt Pully Sr. Work on Roads	7.00
Jno Jardine Salary for Assessor	45.00
Chas Kappely Opening roads in winter	2.00
	Carried

Moved by Mr Black seconded by Mr Haly that the decision on the Kirk & Moran Road be left over till next meeting of council. Carried

On motion of Mr Bennett seconded by Mr Black Bylaw No 215 was now filed in as per resolution of Council and then put up and read a second and third time short and passed.

The school question was next considered. Mr Payne thought it would be an injustice to the people on the Dunn's line not to give them a school on that line if two were moved to the Government Road

Mr. Ross would was of the same opinion  
Mr. Ogier from No 4 thought it would be an  
injustice to the people on the 4 & 5 concessions  
to move No 4 to the Lucens Road.

Mr. Cook was of the opinion that there were 10 ratepayers  
on the leading lines for that was on the back lines.  
If they were going to make a change make it general.

Mr. Bates stated that the ratepayers of No 8 would  
be only so glad to have the lots spoken of in the  
notice sent to him, annexed to their section.  
Mr. Jardine intimated that No 7 was unwilling  
to let any of their ratepayers out of their section.

Mr. Wm. McLean stated that the persons proposed  
to be struck off were unwilling to go.

Messrs Robt & Saml Johnston that it was very unfair  
that they should be taken out of No 6 and placed  
in No 11 - and Messrs Samuel Johnston Sr and  
James Johnston put in their places. They protested  
strongly against such a change.

Mr. Bowler on behalf of the Trustees of No 6 stated  
through a communication that they made  
no serious objection to the proposed change, they  
would have been pleased to have more assessable  
property annexed but that the restriction  
could be compensated for as far as the farmers of the  
section are concerned by a more careful and  
equitable assessment of the village property.

Mr. Jos. McLean that his part of No 5 was  
willing to leave that section as it is as they  
were not getting as much <sup>on the Lucens Road</sup> land annexed to their  
section as they had asked for in their petition.

After considering the question Mr. Bennett  
gave notice that he would at this present meeting  
of Council introduce a by law for the purpose  
of altering the boundaries of Sections No 4, 5, 6, 7,  
8 & 9 respectively in proposed at least touching  
with the exception of Messrs Robt and Saml Johnston who  
would be left where they were present.

Moved by Mr Bulmer seconded by Mr Black that By Law No 216 for the purpose aforesaid be now introduced and read a first time  
Carried

The bylaw was introduced and read a first time moved by Mr Black seconded by Mr Bulmer that the same be instructed to consult a solicitor re. the sitting of the Town Hall and that Mr Perry and Mr Bennett be appointed to look up a site at Foustons Wells on which to build another.

Moved in amendment by Mr Daly seconded by Mr Bennett that the Hall be left as it is.

Mr Daly thought it very unfair to move the Hall without a vote of the people. he thought it would be an injustice to them.

Mr Bulmer thought the majority of the rate-payers in the township would wish to have the change. He felt satisfied they would. Therefore the Council were they to put the township to the expense of taking the vote.

The Ratee supported the motion.

Moved by Mr Daly seconded by Mr Bennett that By Law No 216 be now filed in as per resolution of Council and then took up and had a second and third time shot and passed.  
Carried

The bylaw was filed accordingly and then took up and had a second and third time shot and passed. An Motion of Mr Bennett seconded by Mr Bulmer Council now adjourned. to meet on the 20th of June at 10 O. Clock am.

W. R. Kirk  
Clerk

Laughlin Curry  
Reeve.