

Council Chambers, Forster's Falls

March 4th. 1908.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Ross assembled this forenoon, at ten o'clock with all the members present, the Reeve in the Chair. Mr Hoffman took and subscribed the necessary declaration of qualification, and office and filed the same with the Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting of Council were accepted as read and confirmed.

Mr Gourlay's Report re. Forster's Falls bridge was laid on the table.

The following communications were read,
1st. From the Good Roads Machinery Co. setting forth the merits of their machinery.

2nd. From the National Sanatorium Association soliciting aid.

3. From the Department of Public Works.
Toronto. re. Road making.

The Auditor's Report was presented and read, after scanning the different items, Mr Halcy moved seconded by Mr Black that the said report be accepted. Carried.

Mr R. C. Bever presented a Bill of \$ 74⁵⁰ for work done on the Colden Road.

Considerable discussion took place over this Bill which ended in Mr Ross moving, seconded by Mr Black, that Mr Bever be offered \$ 50.⁰⁰ in settlement of same.

an amendment was moved by Mr Halcy and seconded by Mr Hoffman that Mr Bever be paid \$ 65.⁰⁰. The amendment carried, the Reeve supporting it.

On Motion of Mr Halcy seconded by Mr Black Council adjourned till one o'clock.

Pursuant to adjournment Council again assembled Present as before.

An application from Mr Thos Elliott, for the collecting of taxes for 1905 was read.

Mr Gourley's Report regarding the Foresters Falls Bridge was next discussed.

In his opinion the bridge could be re-covered for about \$600⁰⁰ which would last for perhaps 5 or 6 years, or it could be shortened up so within 50 or 55 feet by building two piers out of the old material then making a fill at each end with stone and earth about 160 feet in all, and recovering the span. The bridge could be built in this way for about \$1200⁰⁰ leaving them only 50 or 55 feet to recover in future.

Mr Gourley also described a Truss suspension Bridge which could be put there for \$2200⁰⁰. The prevailing opinion of the Council was that the \$600⁰⁰ job was out of the question as it ^{would} require to be gone over again in 5 or 6 years, and it would not entitle them to the Co. Council grant of \$400, which ^{grant} was given towards the rebuilding of the bridge. The \$1200⁰⁰ job while making a permanent structure of 160 feet of the bridge would also entitle them to the \$400⁰⁰ granted by the Co. Council.

The condition of the Cobden Road was also discussed.

It was moved by Mr Ross seconded by Mr Hoffman that a Bylaw be introduced and submitted to the ratepayers, to raise by subscription the sum of \$2000.00: - \$1100.00 of the said sum to be expended on the Foresters Falls Bridge and the remainder on the crosslane on the Cobden Road at the head of Muskrat Lake. said subscription to extend over a term of ten years. Carried.

On Motion of Mr Ross seconded by Mr Black, the clerk was instructed to prepare the said By Law and to have the same published according to law.

Mr R. E. Anderson was reappointed collector of taxes, at a salary of \$45.⁰⁰.

Moved by Mr Hoffman seconded by Mr Haley that Charles Pever be refunded \$5.⁴⁰ for overcharge in taxes. Carried.

Mr Ross gives notice that he will at the next meeting of Council introduce a by-law for the purpose of transferring the allowance for road between the $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot No 9 in the 8th Con. from the Government Road eastward to the 9th Con. Line - and transferring the same by deed to the owner of the $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 9 in the 8th Con. in lieu of another road already opened.

Moved by Mr Black seconded by Mr Ross that the Collectors Roll be accepted, all the taxes having been collected. Carried.

The following officers were appointed for the current year viz: - Pathmasters -

Wm McWade	James Logan	Edwin Ross
Jas Fairland	Thos Roach	August Brien
Wm McMillan	Chas Pever	Wesley Smith
R. E. Pever	Chas Foss	Edw. Redignew
W. H. Collins	Joseph Jeffery	Alex McLaren
Hennis Gorman	George Bingham	John Ferguson
John Fraser	Saml McMullin	Norman Byce
Wm Gould Sr.	John Heron	John Clatis
John Campbell	Jas Cummings	Wm Rankin
Samuel Murdock	Robt McLeese	Andw Rathwell
John McCullough	Jas C. Broome	W. J. Foner
Robt Pully Sr.	H. J. Pever	Thos Mc Kay
John Dunningan	Jas Jack Jr.	John Thompson
David Johnston	Walter Bruce	John Rose

Henry J Hill ✓	Jas Headrick ✓	Jas Rankin ✓
Thos Smith ✓	W. J. Guest ✓	J. H. Reynolds ✓
A. W. Ross ✓	Thos Mathison ✓	John Robinson ✓
Abraham Collins ✓	Thos Baites Sr ✓	John Blackwell Sr ✓

Fence Viewers.

Jas Headrick	David Cook	Robt Lytle
Josiah Tripp	W. H. Collins	W. J. Abustiad.
Wm McLellan	Robert Bulmer	Richard Humphries
Wm Grant	Jas Guest	John Fraser

Pound Keepers.

E. W. Maybee	Wm Campbell	Robt Reilly Sr
Wm Collins Sr	Thos Crozier	Andrew Kirk
Samuel Scott	John Jack	Jno C Thrasher
James Mc Luse	John Rankin	Wesley Smith
Jas Dunbar	James Lytle	

Moved by Mr Hoffman seconded by Mr Ross that the following Bills - and accounts be paid and orders drawn on the Treasurer for same:-

Thos Gady, Scrubbing Hall and improving Cupboard	4.25
John Campbell, Delivering Plank at F. F. Bridge	2.00
E. Crozier, For use of School House as polling Booth Jan. 25	2.00
W. R. Kirk, Registrations	6.20
Municipal World, - For Supplies	11.74
Pembroke Standard, Correction to Voters Lists	2.87
R. C. Cueva, Work on Lobden Road	65.00
Herman Kobluschmidt, Drawing Stones	40.00
W. S. Coleman, Salary and postage	54.00
Chas Brewer, Overcharge of taxes	5.40
Frank Smith, Work on Snow Road	3.00
R. E. Anderson, Salary,	45.00
P. R. Pounder Auditor	4.00
W. H. Collins Auditor	4.00

Carried,

On motion of Mr Gady seconded by Mr Hoffman, Council adjourned to meet on Saturday April first, at 10 o'clock AM

W. R. Kirk.
Clerk.

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