

Foresters Falls Feb 3rd 1906

The Municipal Council of the Township of Ross assembled in their Hall this day at 10 o'clock A. M. for the transaction of general Township business. Councillors Haley, Elliott, McBlurg and Geo. McCaskill and Wm. McLellan, Reeve and Councillor elect, respectively were present.

Messrs McCaskill and McLellan made and filed the necessary declarations of qualification and office.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of Council were read and confirmed. On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. McLellan P. R. Pounder was appointed Clerk at a salary of \$75⁰⁰ per annum. On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. McBlurg Mary Pounder was appointed Treasurer at a salary of \$45⁰⁰ per annum.

It was moved by Mr. Elliott and seconded by Mr. McBlurg that John Jardine be re-appointed Assessor at a salary of \$45⁰⁰ per annum. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. McLellan that R. C. Peever be appointed Assessor at a salary of \$40⁰⁰ per annum. The amendment, being supported by the Reeve was carried. On motion of Wm. McLellan seconded by Robt. Elliott R. Z. Anderson was re-appointed Collector at a salary of \$45⁰⁰ per annum.

On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. McBlurg the Council adjourned for one hour.

After re-assembling, on motion of ~~Mr. McLellan~~ Robt. Elliott seconded by Wm. McLellan L. D. Edmonds was appointed Road Commissioner at a salary of \$35⁰⁰ per annum.

On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. McLellan, Thos. Eady and R. C. Peever were appointed Sanitary Inspectors for current year.

On motion of Mr. McBlurg, seconded by Mr. McLellan the Statute Labor Divisions of which Robt. McGeese and John Herron were Pathmaster in 1905, were united.

The following officers for current year were then appointed:-

Board of Health

Dr. J. Brown, Medical Health Officer
John Jeffrey, John D. McLarey, George Haley (members)
Geo. W. Caskill and P. R. Ponder (ex-officio members)
Frank Crozier, Thos. Eady and John Joffy were appointed to look after quarantined patients.

Pathmasters

Wm. McWade, Jas. Logan, Edwin Ross, ~~Jas. Freeland~~, Edward Neil
Thos. Roach, August Brien, Wm. McMillan, Charles Peever
Wesley Smith, R. G. Peever, Chas. Foss, Edward Pettigrew,
W. H. Collins, Jos. Jeffrey, Alex. McLarey, Denis Gorman
Geo. Bringham, John Ferguson, John Fraser, Sam. McMillan,
Norman Byse, Wm. Gould Sr. J. J. Elliott, John Oates,
John Campbell, Wm. Cunnings, Wm. Rankin, S. Murdoch
Andrew Rathwell Jr. John McCulloch, Jas. E. Broome
W. J. Loner, Robt. Reilly Sr. W. J. Peever Thos. McKay
John Jeffrey, Jas. Jack Jr. John Thompson Wm. Burns,
Walter Bruce, John Rose, Henry J. Hill, Jas. Headrick
Jas. Rankin, Thos. Smith, W. J. Guest, Robt. Howard
A. W. Ross, Thos. Mathieson, John Robinson
~~Henry Hill~~, Thos. Bates, John Blackwell.

Pound Keepers

David Johnston, Wm. Campbell, Robt. Reilly Jr.
Wm. Collins Sr. Thos. Crozier, Andrew Kirk
James Freeland, John Jack, Jas. E. Broome
John C. Shrasler, Jas. Meeseese, John Rankin,
Wesley Smith, James Dunbar, Robt. Little.

Fence Viewers

James Headrick, Wm. Gould, Robt. Little
Josiah Lipp, W. H. Collins, W. J. Ormstead
Archibald McEllan, Robt. Bulmer, Arthur Humphries
Wm. Grant, Jas. Guest, John Fraser.

On motion of H. McLaughlin, seconded by Robt. Elliott Mr. Haley was authorized to arrange for loan of stone to Alex^r McLaren of Cobden on condition that the latter return the same quantity of similar quality not later than June 1st next.

On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Elliott, the Collector was granted until next regular meeting of Council to complete collection of Taxes.

On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. McLellan the Clerk was instructed to order six Copies of the Municipal World for use of Council.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. McLellan Mr. Haley was authorized to interview Mr. Alex McLaren of Cobden with reference to expense of building and maintaining bridge at Mill Creek and to report at next meeting of Council.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Haley Mrs. Charles Wilson was exempted from half of her taxes for the year 1905. On motion of Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Elliott the Auditor's Report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. McLellan, seconded by Mr. Haley the Clerk was instructed to notify the Road Commissioner to examine the bridge lately built at Suncan McLaren's and also the bridge on the Government Road, between J^m McLaughlin's and J^m Rankin's and report to Council at its next regular meeting.

The following bills and accounts were accepted and orders drawn on the Treasurer for payment of the same

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| Robt. J. Peever, on Bridge Construction | \$ 200 | $\frac{7}{10}$ |
| Robt. J. Peever, repairing bridge at Mill Creek | 10 | $\frac{5}{10}$ |
| J. G. Moxam Treas. Salary | \$ 50 | $\frac{7}{10}$ |
| Postage and Stationery | | $\frac{7}{10}$ |
| John Jardine Holding Poll at Municipal Election | \$ 6 | $\frac{7}{10}$ |
| J. R. Kirk Election Expenses | \$ 20 | $\frac{7}{10}$ |
| Services as Clerk in 1906 | \$ 2 | $\frac{7}{10}$ |
| Postage and stationery | \$ 1.23 | |
| Registration of Births, Deaths, & Marriages | \$ 7.66 | |
| H. B. Elliott Printing Ballots &c | \$ 3.25 | |

A petition from a number of ratepayers, praying for the formation of a new School Section out of parts of Sections No 5 and 6 was received. After a number of petitioners had been heard in support of the petition Mr. David Cook kindly and generously gave the Council the benefit of his views on the question, these, and his remarks on general township topics, at a previous stage of the proceedings were much appreciated by the Council, as well as by the audience present. It was then moved by Mr. McSellar and seconded by Mr. McBlurg that the Reeve be instructed to obtain all the information possible on the question and to call a special meeting meeting of Council to further consider the matter, should he consider it necessary or expedient to do so. Carried.

On motion of Mr. McBlurg, seconded by Mr. McSellar the Council adjourned to meet on the 2nd Saturday in March next at 10 o'clock A.M.

Geo. Mitchell
Reeve

P. R. Ponder
Clerk