

Foresters Falls Jan 12th 1920

The first meeting of Ross Council for the present year was held here this day at 11 o'clock A.M. The members of last year's Council, having been re-elected, made their declarations of qualification and of office, after which on motion of Mr. Rathwell seconded by Mr. Barr, P. R. Pounder was re-appointed Clerk.

The minutes of last meeting of Council were read and approved and a number of bills and accounts were presented and taken into consideration.

The council expressed approval of the draft of a letter prepared by the clerk according to instructions, praying the local member, R. M. Warren Esq. to use his influence to have some modifications made in The Public Health Act and also in the system of tenure under which public school inspectors hold office.

Mr. Millar gave notice that he would at this meeting of Council introduce a by-law to provide for the appointment of Township officers for the present year.

Mr. Rathwell gave notice that he would at this meeting of Council introduce a by-law to authorize and provide for the payment of salaries, bills and accounts and all other necessary expenditures for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Jamieson seconded by Mr. Barr Mr. Millar was appointed to interview the officials of the Orange Lodge here regarding the leasing of the Orange Hall for the meetings of the ^{Council}.

Mr. Millar then introduced by-law No 374 to provide for the appointment of Township officers for the current year, and on his motion seconded by Mr. Barr, the by-law was read a first time.

Mr. Rathwell then introduced by-law No 375 to authorize and provide for the payment of salaries, bills and accounts and all other necessary expenditures for the present year, and on his motion seconded by Mr. Millar, the by-law was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Barr seconded by Mr. Jamieson the blanks in by-law No 374 were filled in as follows:

P. R. Pounder Clerk \$20⁰⁰ P. R. Pounder Treasurer \$50
 Wm. J. Oates Auditor \$6⁰⁰ J. C. McLaren Auditor \$6⁰⁰
 Assessor \$85⁰⁰ Ellen Leaky Caretaker of Hall \$15⁰⁰ Wm. H. Murdoch

Wm Payne, Member of Board of Health, F. J. Moscam, Francis Crozier and John McGinn Committee to look after quarantined patients; John H. Reynolds Francis Crozier and John McGinn Sheep Valuator; Pound-Keepers John H. Barr, Wm Campbell George Collins, Jas R. Johnston, Adam Crozier, Robt A. Ireland, Andrew Jack, John R. Byce, James McLeese, Jas A. Bennett, Carl Hodgins, Robert Little, Thos Buckabone, John C. Waite and Wm Foss, and the by-law was then a second and third time short and finally passed.

The appointment of Fence Viewers and Pathmasters was postponed until a future meeting of Council.

On motion of Mr Jamieson seconded, seconded by Mr Barr by-law W 375 was then read a second and third time short and finally passed.

On motion of Mr Barr seconded by Mr Rathwell Messrs and Millar and Jamieson were instructed to make enquiries about a suitable site for a community hall and also the cost of same.

On motion of Mr Barr seconded by Mr Rathwell the members of Council were authorized to act as Road Commissioners in their respective localities.

On motion of Mr Millar seconded by Mr Rathwell the Township printing for the present year was tendered to the Renfrew Mercury on the same terms and conditions as last year. On motion of Mr Jamieson seconded by Mr Millar, the clerk was instructed to get plans and estimate for a community hall say 35ft x 65ft.

On motion of Mr Millar seconded by Mr Jamieson, it was ordered that all loans that may be effected or debentures that may be issued during the present year be made payable at the Merchants Bank, that all cheques that may be issued against such loans or debentures be drawn on the Merchants Bank and that the takes for the year 1920 shall be payable at the Merchants Bank as well as at the Bank of Nova Scotia, or to the Collector or the Treasurer.

On motion of Mr Rathwell seconded by Mr Barr, the following bills and accounts were accepted and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the payment of the same:—

James A. McLaughlin, Gravel	11.00	John S. Chd in error	6.20
Robt Harthorn, Dog Tax	10.50	Charged in error	4.00
John Rathwell, S.L. Refund	5.00	John Logan Gravel	2.00
W.R. Kirk D.R.O.	5.00	John Herron Poll. Clerk	3.00
John McGinn Holding Election	13.00	L. Conroy Def. B. Bales	2.00
H. Millar Gravel	11.10	Richard Gould Holding Election	3.80
		John H. Reynolds, Shop Valuing	1.00
Arthur Collins Dog Tax		Chd in error	4.00
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			\$ 76.30

The Council then adjourned, subject to the call of the Reeve

D. M. Ewen
Reeve

P.R. Powder, Clerk

Foresters Falls Jan 24th 1920

On the call of the Reeve a special meeting of Council was held in the Orange Hall here this day at 10 o'clock P.M. to receive the Report of Messrs Millar and Jamieson with reference to the sight for a Community Hall.

The Council after due consideration concluded that the only available sight was entirely too high as it would amount to almost the sum to be granted by the Government towards the cost of the building. In lieu thereof the Council propose building a hall on the old side which will serve for all Municipal purposes as well as for other public gatherings, provided the people of Foresters Falls and its vicinity contribute a substantial amount towards paying the increased ^{necessitated} cost by the larger sized building required for such public occasions.

Messrs Millar and Jamieson were appointed to get plans and estimates of a building suitable for such purposes

D. M. Ewen
Reeve

P.R. Powder
Clerk