

The regular meeting of Ross Municipal Council was held on October 8th, 1997 in the Council Chambers.

Present were Reeve Alvin Stone, Deputy-Reeve Jack Ferguson, Councillors Don Rathwell, Victor McLaughlin and Bill Gibson, and Road Superintendent Felix Rathwell.

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and led in repeating the Lord's Prayer. The minutes of the Sept. 17th meeting were adopted as circulated.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Gibson that Council of the Township of Ross approve General Account Voucher # 9 for \$405,857.55 and Waterworks Voucher # 9 for \$229.74 for the month of September, 1997.

Council and Felix Rathwell discussed recent road maintenance.

- A drain has been repaired at the garage.
- A hole was fixed on Sullivan Street.
- A water problem on Jeffrey's Lake road cannot be remedied unless a property owner gives more land for road purposes.
- Crushed gravel will be applied to Jeffrey's Lade road.

Correspondence for Information:

- AMO Alert - Bill 136 and User Fee Regulation
- Letters from Inky Mark, M.P., Deputy Critic Nat. Unity
- Twp. of Westmeath - Minutes of Restructuring Committee
- OFA - Farming & Food Production Protection Act, 1997
- OGRA 1998 Annual Conference - Housing reservations-Reserve 3 rooms
- Response from Hec Clouthier regarding drought
- RVH - Official Unveiling Oct. 18th at 1:30 p.m. (Reeve Stone will go)
- Twp of Bromley - Toll-free calling to Cobden (Send letter of support)
- County of Renfrew - Notice of Decision:
 - File No. B104/97(A) (Roy Church)
- Exp. of Appeal Period:
 - File No. B102/97 (E & H Dobson)
 - File No. B109/97(A), B110/97(B) (K & S McLaren)
 - B111/97(C), B112/97(D) " " "
- Application for Consent:
 - File No. B61/97 (R. Killman)
- Proposed sale of Ontario Hydro lands (Blueberry Island)
 - Clerk to write to Ontario Hydro that we are not interested in the purchase of Blueberry Island
- Lands for Life - Planning process on Crown Lands
- Townsite water samples - All 0 - 0
- MCCR - Changes to charity gaming and break open tickets
- Cty. of Renfrew - 911 intersection and property signs

Moved by McLaughlin, seconded by Rathwell that Council of the Township of Ross accept with regret the letters of resignation from Brenda Tripp and Debbie Valliant as members of the Ross Township Library Board.

Further that letters of appreciation for their contribution be sent to them on behalf of Council and the Township of Ross.

Also that the request from Gwen Bennett to sit on the Library Board be accepted, and further appointments will be considered for the new three year term beginning December 1, 1997.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Gibson that Council of the Township of Ross extend to Road Employee, Raymond Sparling, a Temporary Leave of Absence with pay for a period of one (1) month.

Further that Council authorize staff to draft alternatives for a Severance Package due to ill health of Mr. Sparling and in recognition of his 48 years of dedicated Public Service.

Also that Council of the Township of Ross nominate Mr. Sparling for a Long Service Award Certificate from the Ontario Good Roads Association.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Gibson that Council of the Township of Ross have no objections and therefore support the Application from Haley Industries Limited for a Certificate of Approval for a Waste Disposal Site.

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by McLaughlin that Council of the Township of Ross accept the request for a Temporary Leave of Absence from the Social Services Co-Ordinator, from October 8, 1997 to November 12, 1997.

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by Gibson that the meeting be adjourned and a Special meeting will be held on October 9th to talk with representatives from Timminco Metals and to pass the Road Naming By-Law # 21-97. The next regular meeting will be held on October 22nd, 1997 at 7:30 in the Council Chambers.

Alvin Stone, Reeve

Eleanor Tabbert, Clerk

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