

The regular meeting of Ross Municipal Council was held on March 4th, 1998 in the Council Chambers.

Present were Reeve Alvin Stone, Deputy Reeve Jack Ferguson, and Councillors Don Rathwell and Donna Campbell, and Road Superintendent Felix Rathwell.

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 7:40 and the minutes of the February 18th meeting were adopted as circulated.

Tom Foran, auditor for the Township of Ross, presented the 1997 Financial Report to Council giving recommendations for the 1998 budget and the impact amalgamation would have on audit fees.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Rathwell that Council of the Township of Ross approve General Account Voucher # 2 for \$61,764.01 and Waterworks Voucher # for \$354.97 for the month of February, 1998.

Correspondence for Information:

- AMO - Response to Farming and Food Production Protection Act
  - 1998 Ontario Pre-Budget Submission
  - Province confirms timing for revised WDW data
  - Clearing the air about recent resolutions
  - Information Kit from Special meeting Feb. 6/98
- MMAH - Fees charged for telecommunication companies
  - Nominations for Local Housing Authority Board
  - Septic Systems and the Ontario Building Code
- MNR - Filed notice to appeal Court ruling
- MET - School Boards encouraged to co-operate for savings
- OGRA - Municipal Routes and Conference reports
- MOT - Minimum Maintenance Standards for roads
- County Clerks & Treas. meeting March 17th in Eganville
- County of Renfrew - 9-1-1 Report
  - Land Severance File No. B188/97 (C. McLaughlin)
- Janota Patrick proposal for Septic System approvals
- Twp of Westmeath - Minutes of Restructuring meeting
- Townsite water samples all 0 - 0
- Renfrew Lumber Baron Festival request for floats
- Renfrew Cty Business Self-help new consultant Diane McKinnon
- Ont. East Tourism Kick Off '98 at Upper Canada Village May 8
- Lands for Life - Land use planning for Crown lands
- Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition pamphlets
- Community Heritage Conference May 29-31

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Campbell that Council of the Township of Ross accept an application from Nancy Berkhout for a Minor Variance on Part Lot 17, Con. 2, to permit construction of a dwelling up to 10 metres from existing shoreline.

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by Ferguson that Council of the Township of Ross support a resolution from the Township of Admaston, requesting Ontario Hydro to establish an active local telephone link to Eastern Ontario residents for reporting power shortages, outages, accidents and dangerous situations.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Ferguson that the meeting be adjourned at 11:10 p.m. and the next regular meeting will be held on March 18, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alvin Stone, Reeve

Eleanor Tabbert, Clerk

