

November 18, 1998 (Cont'd)

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by Campbell that Council of the Township of Ross give three readings and pass By-Law #39-98 being a by-law to write off taxes in the amount of \$2,845.20.

Moved by Chapeski, seconded by Ferguson that Council of the Township of Ross give three readings and pass By-Law # 40-98 being a by-law to enter into an agreement for sharing costs of Drainage Superintendent.

Discussion:

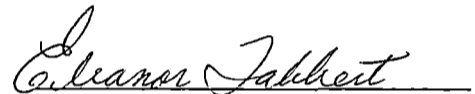

- Council accepted with regret the resignation of Caretaker Violet Broome, effective December 31st, 1998, and she will be sent a letter of thanks.
- Reeve Stone will attend a meeting at Bromley Community Centre on December 1st at 8:00 p.m. at which a plaque will be presented to retiring Drainage Superintendent Sam Leech for his 14 years of service. Mr. and Mrs. Leech will be invited to our dinner at Finnigans on December 13th.
- Reeve Stone will be in attendance at the Renfrew Inn on December 3rd to meet O.P.P. Commissioner Gwen Boniface.
- A letter was received from Alice and Chuck Clark of Cobden, requesting that one lane of snow be removed from Behm's Road east to Astrolabe Road for a winter walkway. Council agreed that the Township should not get involved in plowing this road as it is not an open winter road.
- Council will not become involved in the purchase of a Fire Tanker with the Village of Cobden, as it was not included in our budget.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Chapeski that the regular meetings of Council will be held on December 2nd and 16th.

Moved by Chapeski, seconded by Campbell that the meeting will be adjourned and the next regular meeting will be held on December 2nd, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alvin Stone, Reeve

Eleanor Tabbert, Clerk



Forester's Falls, Ontario

December 2, 1998

The regular meeting of Ross Municipal Council was held on December 2nd, 1998 in the Council Chambers.

Present were Reeve Alvin Stone, Deputy Reeve Jack Ferguson and Councillors Don Rathwell and Donna Campbell. Councillor Teresa Chapeski arrived later.

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and the minutes were adopted as circulated. It was moved by Campbell, seconded by Ferguson that the agenda be accepted as amended.

O.P.P. Officer Shikatani introduced himself to Council and asked if they had any questions or concerns and how many Council meetings they should attend. It was agreed that when all Officers have met with Council, attendance once a year would be enough unless there was a specific problem.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Rathwell that Council of the Township of Ross approve General Account Voucher # 11 for \$217,789.26 and Waterworks Voucher # 11 for \$291.88 for the month of November, 1998.

Correspondence for Information:

- OGRA - Municipal Routes
- MOE - Funding for Groundwater Management Studies
- Cty of Renfrew - OVED - Participate in Lands for Life
 - Business Directory available
- Warden's Banquet Dec. 10 at Cobden Legion Hall (\$15)
- Land Severance File No. B172/98 (Marion Smith Est)
- Twp of Westmeath - Restructuring Agenda, Minutes and report on meeting at Assessment Office
- Renfrew Victoria Hospital "Tree of Lights"
- Card of Thanks from Jim and Beth Huckabone
- Sean Conway - Response to our letter concerning Jail closure
- Insurance claim of \$2546.30 for Haley Firehall break-in
- Townsite water samples 0 - 0
- AMCTO - Response to Bill 79
- Canadian Firearms Centre - Bulletin No. 26
- MOE - Funding for recycling

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Rathwell that Council of the Township of Ross support a resolution from the Township of South-West Oxford, requesting the Provincial Government to re-instate compensation for Volunteer Firefighters on the same basis as it was under the former Workers' Compensation Act.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Chapeski that Council of the Township of Ross support a resolution from the Township of McNab/Braeside supporting the Victorian Order of Nurses in their request for a base wage scale for all agencies delivering community nursing services which provide for fair and just compensation for the use of the personal vehicles of the staff.

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by Campbell that Council of the Township of Ross support resolutions from the Township of McNab/Braeside and the Township of West Nissouri petitioning the Provincial Government to ensure through proper levels of funding, that School Boards are not forced to close rural schools and specifically petition the Minister of Education to introduce legislation to provide proper funding to School Boards to further ensure that rural schools are not forced to be closed as most rural municipalities have schools within their Municipal boundaries which serve as the focal point for many community functions and activities all year round.

Moved by Chapeski, seconded by Ferguson that Council of the Township of Ross pass the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Ross, due to necessary amendments to the proposed representation issue, rescind Resolution # 02-11-98 dated November 18, 1998.

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by Campbell that Council pass the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ross adopt the Restructuring Proposal with the Villages of Beachburg and Cobden and the Townships of Westmeath and Ross, and that this proposal be forwarded to the County of Renfrew for their approval, and then forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval and implementation.

Moved by Chapeski, seconded by Ferguson that Council of the Township of Ross give three readings and pass By-Law #41-98 being a by-law to set prices for dog tags for 1999.

The Clerk is to register and book rooms for Rathwell, Campbell and Chapeski for the ROMA Conference at the Royal York on February 7th to 10th, 1999.

The Job Description for a part-time Caretaker of the Municipal Building was reviewed and applications will be called for December 16th to become effective on Jan. 1st, 1999.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Rathwell that Council go into an in-camara session to discuss the sale of Township property and Personnel issues.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Chapeski that Council move back into an open meeting.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Chapeski that Council for the Township of Ross pass the following resolution:

That Council feel it is necessary to update the job descriptions of the Clerk-Treasurer and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer due to the impending contract discussions with the union.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Township of Ross adopt the new job descriptions for the Clerk-Treasurer and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer.

In a letter from Donna Simmonds of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, up to \$600.00 will be reimbursed to Municipalities in Eastern Ontario for expenses to attend a Y2K Seminar in Toronto on December 7th and 8th. Council agreed the Charlene Jackson should attend this seminar.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Chapeski that the meeting adjourn at 10:30 p.m. and the next meeting will be held on December 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alvin Stone, Reeve

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