

The regular meeting of Ross Municipal Council was held on February 16th, 2000 in the Council Chambers.

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

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led in repeating The Lord's Prayer.

The minutes of the February 2nd meeting were adopted as circulated.

Thomas Foran, Auditor for the Township of Ross, presented the 1999 Financial Report showing a Consolidated Surplus of \$151,553. He also talked extensively about amalgamation and things that should be done earlier in the year 2000 to make a smooth transition into the new Municipality.

Correspondence for Information:

- Cowan News
- AMO - Recommendation for new Infrastructure Program
  - Pre-budget Submission
  - OEB Decision regarding Electricity rates
  - Proposal on Ontario Works call Centres
- OGRA - Invitation to St. Paul/Aon booth (Insurance)
- Rural Municipal Workshop Series March 3rd at Guelph
- Resolutions: Town of North Perth - CRF Funding Issue (Support)
  - Cty of Brant - Grants for Agricultural Societies (Support)
  - City of Woodstock - Health Care Funding (Support)
- Minutes of Recreation & Culture Sub Committee
- Townsite Water samples 0 - 0
- Beachburg Agricultural Society - Request for Annual grant
- Renfrew & Area Seniors' Home Support - Funding request
- Notice of Certificate - File No. B146/99 (J & S Buttle)
- Notice of Expiry - File No. B149/99 (Donald Lairar)
- Emergency Measures Course Schedule 2000 - 2001
- Statement of Council Remuneration for 1999

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Chapeski that Council of the Township of Ross support a resolution from the City of Niagara Falls, to petition the Federal Government to amend the Young Offenders Act to make youths more accountable for their behaviour.

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

Be it Resolved That:

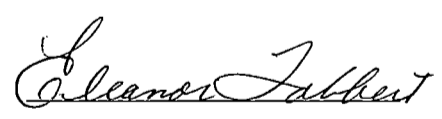
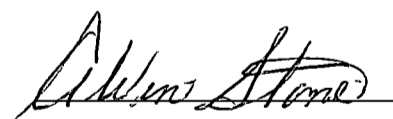
The Township of Ross endorses the Provincial Main Street Program application to erect signage and beautify the municipal grounds. The municipality agrees to commit \$1,000 to the project.

Rathwell reported on a Household Hazardous Waste meeting held in Renfrew to discuss the 1999 expenditures and the projected budget for 2000. The HHW Depot will be open to the public on May 20th, July 8th, August 26th and on October 7th, 2000. The year 2000 budget for Ross is \$2,230.27 but if summer students are utilized it would reduce expenses.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Chapeski that the meeting adjourn at 11:00 p.m. and the next regular meeting will be held March 1st, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alvin Stone, Reeve

Eleanor Tabbert, Clerk



The regular meeting of Ross Municipal Council was held on March 1, 2000 in the Council Chambers.

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

Reeve Stone called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led in repeating The Lord's Prayer. The minutes of the March 1st meeting were adopted as circulated.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Rathwell that Council of the Township of Ross approve General Account Voucher # 2 for \$103,036.27 and Waterworks Voucher # 2 for \$446.67 for the month of February, 2000.

Presentation: The Ross Township Public Library Board led by Chairperson Lynn Campbell with members Debbie Byce, Gwen Bennett, Dona Carriere and Dinsdale Crooy gave their annual report emphasising their goals and objectives for 2000 and after amalgamation of Whitewater Region. It showed their 1999 budget and actual and a proposed budget of \$14,977 for the year 2000. They are requesting that the amount of Municipal support be \$5000. Two new expenditures proposed are EXCEL Courses for the Librarian and a new colour printer.

## Correspondence for Information:

- MMAH - Amendments to restructuring order
- MAFRA - Proposed Workshop on Rural Planning (Two would attend)
  - Review of Drainage Program (Questionnaire available)
  - Vet Unit fee same as last year \$554.60
- Fisheries & Oceans - Drain Maintenance and Fisheries
- AMO - Municipalities holding line on taxes
- Canadian Firearms Bulletin No. 40
- Minutes of Restructuring meeting Feb. 7th
- Minutes of Protection to Persons & Property sub Committee
- OSUM 2000 Conference in Belleville May 3 - 5
- Resolutions: Town of Petawawa - Fuel prices (Support)  
City of Pickering - Child pornography (Support)
- UN International Day March 21st
- Townsite water samples 0 - 0

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Campbell that Council of the Township of Ross support the Town of North Perth in their petition to the Province of Ontario to fund the revenue deficiency created by the LSR Farmland/Managed Forest rebate calculation for affected Municipalities in rural Ontario.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Ferguson that Council of the Township of Ross support a resolution from the County of Brant to petition the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to reinstate grant funding to assist Agricultural Societies and to cease any review of legislation which would lead to the elimination of tax exempt status for Society owned fairgrounds.

Moved by Rathwell, seconded by Campbell that Council of the Township of Ross support a resolution from the City of Woodstock requesting that the Federal and Provincial Governments fund Health Care to sufficiently alleviate the backlog of patient waiting lists.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Rathwell that Council of the Township of Ross accept an application from Kevin and Kimberly Oattes to acquire the road allowance adjacent to their property at Pt Lot 20, Con. 4 on the Olmstead-Jeffrey Lake Road, and that Staff be instructed to commence the road closing procedure.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Campbell that Council of the Township of Ross give three readings and pass By-Law No. 07-2000, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy for the year 2000.

A letter is to be sent to Mary Shushack stating that a meeting was called for the Road Committee and Road Employees to meet with her client Merlin Sparling, to resolve some of his problems with the snowplowing. Since he did not attend this meeting as requested, Council are asking that her client be notified that he must arrange to come to a Council meeting to further discuss the conditions of the roads.

Concerning a letter from the Renfrew County and District Health Unit to continue the Sewage System Inspection Service for another year, it was decided to obtain a quote from Janota Patrick for this service.

A Statement of Claim in the amount of \$786.65 was received from the Underwriters Adjustment Bureau Ltd. for damages to a buried telephone cable on Heather Street. A letter and photographs showing where the cable locate and digging was performed will be sent to them requesting the withdrawal of the claim.

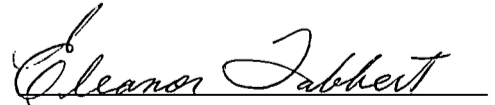
Moved by Campbell, seconded by Ferguson that the meeting adjourn at 10:10 p.m. and the next meeting will be held on March 15th at 7:30 in the Council Chambers.

Alvin Stone, Reeve

Eleanor Tabbert, Clerk



Forester's Falls, Ontario



March 15, 2000

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