



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF POWASSAN

-MINUTES-

**Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, April 15, 2008  
7:00 p.m., Council Chambers**

**Present:** Bob Young, Mayor  
Nancy Barner, Councillor  
Blair Beatty, Councillor  
Gerry Giesler, Councillor  
Roger Glabb, Councillor  
Peter McIsaac, Councillor  
George Thompson, Councillor

**Staff:** Roger Labelle, CAO-Clerk

**Medai:** Laurel Campbell, Almaguin News  
Dave Sharadon, CKAT

**Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof:** Councillor McIsaac declared conflict for agenda item no. 13.2 under Closed Session regarding policy on benefits because of a family member. Councillor Glabb declared conflict as his employer is mentioned on the accounts listing for payment approval.

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**Resolutions:**

**2008-122** Moved by: Blair Beatty                      Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the agenda of the regular Council meeting of April 1, 2008 be approved as amended. **Carried.**

**2008-123** Moved by: Gerry Giesler;                      Seconded by: George Thompson

That the minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 1, 2008 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2008-124** Moved by: Gerry Giesler                      Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting of April 2, 2008 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2008-125** Moved by: Nancy Barner                      Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the minutes of the Trout Creek Community Centre Board meeting of March 3, 2008 be received; and

Further that the capital expenditure of \$3,600 for furnace replacement be approved. **Carried.**

**2008-126** Moved by: Gerry Giesler                      Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the 2007 Activities Report and 2008 Budget of the Powassan & District Union Public Library be received. **Deferred.**

**2008-127** Moved by: Nancy Barner;                      Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That the minutes of the Municipal Action Group meeting of March 19, 2008 be received. **Carried.**

**2008-128** Moved by: Roger Glabb;                      Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the minutes of the Powassan Police Services Board meeting of March 17, 2008 be received as amended. **Carried.**

**2008-129** Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That the minutes of the Ad-hoc Municipal Sign Committee minutes of April 8, 2008 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2008-130** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the minutes of the Public Observatory Implementation Committee meeting of April 8, 2008 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2008-131** Moved by: Peter McIsaac Seconded by: George Thompson

That the landfill site compactor loan be paid in full through Public Works Department reserve. **Carried.**

**2008-132** Moved by: Nancy Barner; Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That the minutes of the Strategic Plan Implementation Committee meeting of April 10, 2008 be adopted. **Carried.**

**2008-133** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan hereby supports the Near North Trail Association in their efforts to resolve the routing issues as outlined in the letter dated March 28, 2008 from Discovery Routes. **Carried**

**2008-134** Moved by: George Thompson; Seconded by: Roger Glabb.

Whereas the Province of Ontario has allocated \$170,189 to the Municipality of Powassan for municipal roads and bridge capital investment needs.

Now therefore the Council of the Municipality of Powassan resolves as follows:

1. That the allocated monies will be used for said purposes;
2. That a final summary reporting details of expenditures, use of provincial funding, and outcomes achieved shall be submitted to the ministry and the ministry reserves the right to audit;
3. Any allocated funds not spent will be returned to the Ministry. **Carried.**

**2008-135** Moved by: Gerry Giesler; Seconded by: George Thompson

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan is desirous of becoming more environmentally conscientious through recycling initiatives and energy consumption reduction under a "Greening Powassan Project"; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario is committed to protecting the interests of Ontarians by making positive changes to the province's electricity sector and these changes are aimed at creating a conservation culture and a cleaner Ontario; and

Whereas Ontario's municipally owned buildings spend nearly a billion dollars a year on energy costs alone; and

Whereas Earth Hour saw a significant reduction in energy consumption indicating small changes make a difference; and

Whereas Power Down Fridays sets out to reduce energy consumption and promotes a healthy environment by reducing energy consumption from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm each and every Friday.

Now therefore Council resolves as follows:

1. That Fridays within the Municipality of Powassan are hereby declared Power Day Fridays;
2. That the staff, businesses and residents of the Municipality be encouraged to participate and review guidelines as set out on the municipal website at [www.powassan.net](http://www.powassan.net);

3. That this resolution be forwarded to municipalities in Ontario and area organizations to encourage further participation. **Carried.**

**2008-136** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: George Thompson

That the CAO-Clerk be authorized to execute the attached agreement with Telecom Enterprises for a comprehensive telecommunications review of the Municipality's present telecommunication monthly expenses. **Carried**

**2008-137** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: George Thompson

That By-Law No. 2008-11 to provide for an interim tax levy for 2008 be adopted.. **Carried**

**2008-138** Moved by: Peter McIsaac; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the Councillor Barner be authorized to attend the 2008 AMO conference August 24 to 27, 2008 being held in Ottawa. **Defeated.**

**2008-139** Moved by: George Thompson; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the following reconstruction projects be added to Council's Statement of Priorities and Directions for the remaining term of Council:

1. Maplehill Road Bridge
2. Butterfield Road Bridge
3. Queen Street Bridge – Eastholme/Emergency Access **Carried.**

**2008-140** Moved by: George Thompson; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the resignation letter dated April 2, 2008 from the CEMC, Mike Walker, be regretfully accepted. **Carried**

**2008-141** Moved by: Nancy Barner; Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That the proposal letter dated January 3, 2008 from R.A. Young, HR Consultant to update the Municipality's Pay Equity Plan in the amount of \$3,000.00 plus taxes be accepted. **Carried**

**2008-142** Moved by: Gerry Giesler; Seconded by: George Thompson

That the request of Councillor Barner to be removed from the Ad Hoc Recycling Committee be accepted effective immediately. **Carried**

**2008-143** Moved by: Roger Glabb; Seconded by: George Thompson

That Dan Taylor be granted to May 31, 2008 to remove the chickens; and Further that this be the final extension. **Defeated.**

**2008-144** Moved by: George Thompson; Seconded by: Peter McIsaac

That the accounts payable listing report dated April 11, 2008 in the total amount of \$66,369.42 be approved for payment. **Carried**

**2008-145** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Nancy Barner

That Council now adjourns to closed session at 8:55 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. **Carried**

**2008-146** Moved by: Blair Beatty; Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That Council now reconvenes to regular session at 9:35p.m. **Carried**

**2008-147** Moved by: George Thompson; Seconded by: Roger Glabb

That the minutes from the closed session of the regular Council meeting of April 1, 2008 be adopted.  
**Carried**

**2008-148** Moved by: Nancy Barner; Seconded by: Blair Beatty

That considering that the Sportsplex Arena and Curling Rink will be under the mandate of the Recreation Committee effective May 1, 2008 that the Recreation Committee be requested to provide the following documentation with recommendations;

1. Job Description for employees responsible to manage and operate the municipal recreation services and facilities with the exception of the Trout Creek Community Centre.
2. Operation and service hours and work schedules.
3. Budget estimates
4. Review and comment on Recreation Action Plan.
5. Review and comment on Community Program of Recreation By-law no. 2001-35.
6. Proposed employment date for new staff.
7. Suggestions to gradually remove/reduce the Deputy Clerk's role in recreation.

And that the recommendations submitted be reviewed by the Personnel Committee prior to consideration and approval by Council; and

That the Deputy Clerk remain on the Recreation Committee until further notice by Council; and

That Councillors Glabb and Thompson be appointed on the Recreation Committee for the remaining term of Council; and

Further that effective May 1, 2008 that all accounts payable for the Sportsplex Arena be included in the list of accounts for payment approval by Council at its regular meetings. **Carried**

**2008-149** Moved by: Gerry Giesler ; Seconded by: Nancy Barner

That the health benefits be extended to Calvin Young until the age of 65; and

Further that he be exempted from policy section on health guard benefits – Resolution no. 2006-75. .  
**Carried**

**2008-150** Moved by: Nancy Barner; Seconded by: Gerry Giesler

That Council now adjourns at 9:38 pm. **Carried**

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Mayor

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CAO- Clerk