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Regular Council Meeting Tuesday August 17, 2010 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers

Present:

Blair Beatty, Councillor Gerry Giesler, Councillor Peter McIsaac, Councillor Roger Glabb, Councillor George Thompson, Councillor

Absent: Bob Young, Mayor Nancy Barner, Councillor

Media: Laurel Campbell, Almaguin News

Staff: Roger Labelle, CAO-Clerk

Guests: Emily Zavitz regarding the creation of the Rural Homeowners Association of Powassan

Disclosure of Monetary Interest and General Nature Thereof: None Declared **Resolutions:** 2010-271 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded by: Blair Beatty That Councillor McIsaac be appointed Deputy Mayor for tonight's regular Council Meeting Carried 2010-272 Moved by: Roger Glabb Seconded by: George Thompson That the agenda of the regular Council meeting of August 17, 2010 be approved, with addendum. Carried 2010-273 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded by: Roger Glabb That the minutes of the regular Council meeting of August 3rd, 2010 be adopted. Carried 2010-274 Moved by: Roger Glabb Seconded: Blair Beatty That municipal reserves be used to offset any budget overruns for the completion of the Sportsplex Facility project under the RINC funding program. Carried. 2010-275 Moved by: Roger Glabb Seconded: Blair Beatty That the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting of August 4th, 2010 be adopted. **Carried.** 2010-276 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded: Roger Glabb That the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of August 9th, 2010 be adopted. Carried 2010-277 Moved by: Gerry Giesler Seconded: Roger Glabb

That recommendation number 2010-61 of the Public Works Committee meeting of July 12^{th} , 2010 be rescinded; and

Further that the request of Timber Mart on Clark Street to have the sidewalk lowered at an approximate cost of \$7,000.00 be accepted. **Defeated.**

2010-278 Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded: Gerry Giesler That the sidewalk portion fronting Timber Mart property on Clark Street be removed to the corner of Joseph Street to Edward Street; and Further that the removed portion be reinstated with grass seed. Defeated.

2010-279 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded: Roger Glabb

That the request of Timber Mart to lower the sidewalk on Clark Street fronting the business be referred to the next Council meeting.

Carried.

2010-280 Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded: George Thompson

That the CAO-Clerk be authorized to close the municipal office from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm for staff BBQ scheduled for Thursday September 2nd, 2010 at the Public Works Garage. **Carried**

2010-281 Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded: George Thompson

"Whereas the Province of Ontario introduced the new Current Market Value Assessment System (CVA) in 1998; and

Whereas the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is the sole assessment evaluation provider; and

Whereas the new CVA System, has created inconsistent changes to property assessment within the same property class; and

Whereas the new CVA System has created pockets of higher assessment within the same municipality which thereby increase the inconsistent assessment of property and creates unfair assessment.

Now Therefore the Nipissing South East Municipal Action Group, consisting of the Municipalities of Callander and Powassan, and the Townships of Chisholm, Bonfield, Nipissing and East Ferris respectfully requests the Minister of Finance to review the Assessment Act and CVA System to ensure:

- 1. That Assessment Evaluations are open to competition, following the Assessment Act protocols, to ensure the most accurate assessment is calculated for respective communities.
- 2. That a fair approach in assessment with all of one community treated the same.
- 3. That all properties within the same property class receive the same base percentage of CVA adjustments.

Further that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, Premier of Ontario, MPP, FONOM, and AMO."

Carried

2010-282 Moved by: Blair Beatty

Seconded: George Thompson

That change order no. 1, to contract with Bernard Rochefort Ltd. (regarding upgrades to the Medical Centre heating and cooling system) for the replacement of one (1) furnace in the amount of \$6,770.00 plus HST, be accepted. **Carried**

2010-283 Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded: Roger Glabb

WHEREAS, it has been decided to relocated 31 specialized mental health care beds to Sudbury AND WHEREAS there is a lot of public concern over the accountability and transparency in the decision-making process to relocate these beds

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Municipality of Powassan support the Concerned Citizen's Committee of North Bay and Area in their efforts in investigating the decision-making

process of the NELHIN and the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in regards to the relocation of the 31 specialized mental health care beds. FURTHER THAT this motion be sent to Mr Andre Marin, Ontario Ombudsman, MPP Monique Smith, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Premier Dalton McGuinty and Minister Deborah Matthews, Ministry of Health and Long-term Care. **Carried**

2010-284 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded: Roger Glabb

That the Municipality of Powassan sponsor one (1) hole for \$100.00 for the Warriors of Hope Breast Cancer Survivors Dragon Boat Racing Team 6th Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 11th, 2010 at Clear Springs Golf Club. **Carried**

2010-285 Moved by: Roger Glabb Seconded: George Thompson That the letter dated August 12th, 2010 from Natalie Lingley regarding proposed "Prancing in Pink" event scheduled for October 16th, 2010 to raise funds for Breast Cancer, be accepted. **Deferred.**

2010-286 Moved by: Roger Glabb Seconded: George Thompson

That By-law no. 2010-31 to close roads for the Maple Syrup Festival be adopted. Carried

2010-287 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded: Roger Glabb

That By-law no. 2010-35 to amend 2008-33 User Fee By-law be adopted. Carried

2010-288 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded: Roger Glabb

That By-law no. 2010-36 to establish a Compliance Audit Committee under the Municipal Elections Act and to appoint its membership be adopted. **Carried**

- 2010-289 Moved by: George Thompson Seconded: Roger Glabb That By-law no. 2010-37 to appoint Anna Gibson-Olajos Economic Development Officer for the Municipality of Powassan be adopted. **Carried**
- 2010-290 Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded: George Thompson That the accounts payable listing reports dated August 5th-12th, 2010 in the total amount of \$417,019.87 be approved for payment. **Carried**

2010-291 Moved by: Blair Beatty Seconded: George Thompson That Council now adjourns at 8:37 pm. **Carried**

Mayor

CAO-Clerk