



- Had fire practices consisting of lift assist with EMS and propane fire. Requested permission to do more practices with the fire department.
- Questioned if Steve Knott/Fire Chief, Town of Petawawa would be attending a future meeting to discuss fire dispatch.
- Questioned if alarm issue had been solved in the zone between the fire department and the library.
- Have had three false alarms from the Madawaska Public School during their fire drills.
- Employee #29 is on a leave of absence; honourarium will continue to be paid.
- Employee #114 will receive a letter from the township indicating that he will be on leave of absence until a letter is received from a doctor stating that he is able to handle the physical duties of a firefighter.

### **Administration Report:**

CAO/ Clerk-Treasurer S. Klatt provided a written report:

- Spoke to our cleaning supplies vendor and requested updated MSDS sheets to create a binder for each municipal building.
- Called some Fire Departments for copies of SOP and procedural documentation for review.
- Deputy Clerk working with Craig Davidson regarding Election preparations.
- Received a call from our municipal advisor Jeremy Cormier recommending staff attend the free elections training being offered in Sudbury on Thursday July 24. He will also review our ODRAP file to determine the status of payment at that time if I attend.
- I will attend a Whitney Recreation Committee on Tuesday July 22 at 6:00p.m.
- Steve Knott (Fire Chief Town of Petawawa) will attend the September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Council meeting and send documentation pertaining to 911 for Council review prior to the meeting. The Administrative Assistant has extended the invitation for Steve to also invite a representative(s) of the Ministry of Health Central Ambulance Communications Centre and possibly a representative of the Emergency Services Department of the County of Renfrew as they currently administer the communications contract with the MOH on behalf of the County Fire Chiefs.
- The computer for the roads department was sent in to be repaired to give all roads employees access to use for reporting.
- I contacted Josephine Lentz to start drafting a list of who should be recognized on a plaque to be erected at the Madawaska Complex.
- Copy of picture of Aylen Lake bins sent to Bob Ogilvie to forward to cottage association.
- Elections Ontario viewed the Madawaska Complex for accessibility for October 2015 election; no report received to date.
- Ongoing issue in Madawaska with barking dogs. We spoke to all ministries involved with previous dog incident and have been told we dealt with things appropriately.
- I have been in discussions with Hastings Highlands regarding shared agreements (4 municipalities) to have access to an Animal Control officer. Township has to provide them with expression of interest if we wish to proceed (invoiced by the Township rate of \$22.19(includes deductions) and .54/km and a monthly administrative charge of \$62.00 for administration fees.
- By-Law Enforcement officer -a by-law is needed to delegate authority to management to enforce by laws. In the interim, I spoke today to Hastings Highlands about meeting to discuss a joint venture/cost sharing proposal for Council to hire a by-law enforcement officer for both municipalities.
- Three resumes received to date for the Deputy Treasurer position. Selection Committee needs to be formed.

### **Roads Report**

Works Superintendent, D. Gatley provided a written report including:

- A special request for wage consideration has been made by a staff member. The request will be addressed at the next Roads meeting.
- The application of Calcium Chloride was completed July 10 and was applied to 72.75 kilometres of roads.
- A combination of severely deteriorated culverts and beaver activity is causing continual

problems at several locations in the township.

- Reshaping and crowning of all maintained gravel roads throughout the township has been completed with excellent results. Some ditching has also been done as weather permits.
- Rain continues to cause washouts on shoulders in numerous places. Efforts will be made to correct the problem areas through erosion control and grading changes.
- Steve Jedinak of the Pastwa Lake Road Property Owners has made contact with me regarding Pastwa Lake Road. Delegates from this group will be asked to attend our next Roads meeting.
- Brushing around the ball diamond fence in Madawaska has been completed. Brushing for fire access on Reids Road will be completed as soon as time allows.
- Informed council on the on-going maintenance and repairs of various township equipment.
- We have received a quote of \$254.98 to repair the faulty domestic water system at the Medical Centre/Library. The repair is scheduled for July 21.
- The floating dock at the Whitney Beach was moved to its proper location July 7. The dock will also be stored in a safe place on shore at the beach to avoid transport damage and reduce costs.
- Discussions with the Fire Department are being had to coordinate training programs for Health and Safety compliance.
- Notes from training sessions will be used to continue completion for all Standard Operating Procedures.
- The Bear problem has decreased recently. An experiment with chains on waste bin lids has had some success however damage to waste bin lids continues. A shredding pile is now in use. A bin for aluminum cans is now in use.
- Staff have been spending about two hours a day for two men to clean up around bins from bears and misuse. Two Bear Kits have been ordered for Hay Lake.
- Jp2g are looking into what other municipalities are doing with bear and bin issues.
- The Expansion Proposal for the Lyell landfill site was not included in the 2014 Budget. Adjustments to the Work Plan and Expansion are being looked at so cost will fit within Budget constraints.
- A request has been made to receive approximately 1100 tonnes of contaminated fill; material would generate revenue in excess of \$30,000.00. The material is mildly contaminated and can be used as cover material. A secure financial arrangement is required prior to agreement.

*There was a ten minute break at 8:38 p.m.  
Councillor Thom did not return to the meeting.*

#### **10. CORRESPONDENCE**-Action Items

- Cheryl Gallant-Enabling Accessibility Fund-Staff to check for availability
- Town of Penetanguishene-Call for a formation of small and rural school alliance
- Bancroft Area Stewardship Council-Biomass Energy Plant-filed

#### **11. CORRESPONDENCE** Information Items

#### **12. NEW BUSINESS:** None

#### **13. MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: D. Harper**

**Seconded by: J. Florent**

**Res. # 14-196**

“WHEREAS Education is one of the largest assets that a municipality can provide to its residents in terms of offering quality of life and quality of community;

AND WHEREAS one of the challenges that small town and rural communities face are closures of both elementary and high schools in their communities;

AND WHEREAS the levels of Educational service and costs associated with said services are funded by the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Government has not directly consulted nor communicated with small town rural Ontario municipalities being serviced by the School Boards in regards to school closures;

AND WHEREAS these potential closures are subject to an administrative School Board process called an Accommodation Review Committee (ARC);

AND WHEREAS there is lack of public trust in the Accommodation Review process as School Boards are not being held accountable for the recommendations of the ARC;

AND WHEREAS there is support from other small and rural municipalities to jointly lobby for a

