

The minutes of the inaugural meeting of Twp of Lake of the Woods Council held on Tuesday December 5th 2006 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

The Clerk-Treasurer administered the oaths of office and the Mayor welcomed everyone to Council especially Nancy Gate as new members of council. Council then proceeded with the regular meeting for the month.

- PRESENT Mayor: V Pizey Councilors: C Fadden, N Gate, J Moen & T Sepers Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Rd Supt: E Pearson. Visitors: Larry Nordin, gave an update on the Aulneau Committee, only a couple of meetings have been held, MNR does not have funding to maintain the Turtle Portage facilities and there is talk of looking at privatization of the facility, Council has concern with extra traffic & speed through Bergland of pulpwood trucks. Timber harvest plan includes winter roads across the Lake to Morson & down #621. Council wants the OPP aware of the possible traffic issues through the Village of Bergland and passed the local school.
- MINUTES #06-121 MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on November 9th, 2006 be adopted as circulated.
- ACCOUNTS #06-122 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount \$119,232.58 and representing disbursements for the month November, less the accounts for R A Gill & Miller Contracting be approved for payment.
- ACCOUNTS #06-123 COUNCILLOR FADDEN declared an interest as an employee & spouse of an employee. GATE & MOEN & CARRIED that the accounts for R A Gill & Miller Contracting for the month of November & in the amount of \$13504.36 be approved for payment.
- BY-LAW 185 #06-124 COUNCILLOR SEPERS declared an interest as his spouse is a volunteer firefighter. GATE & FADDEN & CARRIED that By-law No 185, being the Municipal Education & Training Policy By-law, be enacted.
- BY-LAW 186 #06-125 COUNCILLOR SEPERS declared an interest as his spouse is a volunteer firefighter. FADDEN & MOEN & CARRIED that By-law No 186, being the Volunteer Fire Department Point System Policy By-law, be enacted.
- GOV'T DOCK #06-126 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that Council authorize an application to HRDC for an 8 week four employee EI program to rebuild the Gov't Dock and improvements to the parking lot area. And further that an ad be authorized for those interested in being the supervisor for the program. The ad to be in the Rainy River Record for one week and applications to be received by January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- WRITE OFFS #06-127 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED that pursuant to Minutes of Settlement & Section 442 & attached listing, the following tax write offs be approved: General \$1068.93 and Education \$543.24.
- APPNMENTS #06-128 GATE & SEPERS & CARRIED that Pursuant to Section 242 of the Municipal Act JoAnn Moen be appointed to act in the place of the head of council when the head of council is absent. Further than Valerie Pizey be appointed as our representative on the RRSSAB & RRDMA Tony Sepers be appointed as our representative for AMBIS (building code matters) & the Clerk be authorized to advertise for Recreation and Cemetery Committee members.
- MAGAZINE #06-129 MOEN & GATE & CARRIED that Council approve the subscription to Municipal World magazine for 4 years for the following: Valerie Pizey & Patrick Giles.
- CEMETERY #06-130 COUNCILLOR GATE declared an interest as her spouse is the caretaker. MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that Council accept the resignation of Fred Gate as caretaker of the cemetery, park and dock grounds, effective November 30, 2006.

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MATTERS

The Rd Supt submitted his report on the roads; Council members expressed their concern that sufficient sand is applied to the roads in the event of severe icy storms as occurred this year. New plow truck is working well but some modifications to the plow are necessary. The Clerk-Treasurer filed his written report on various items as well as a budget update, the amended policy for education & training as well as a point system for the volunteer fire fighters were submitted for council approval, draft of application for an EI program at the Gov't Dock was reviewed, election results has a vote return of 70% with only a few rejected ballots, draft cemetery by-laws reviewed and changes made by council, notices of potential tax sale & tax outstanding were sent to property owners. A proposal for Drainage Supt services, from K Smart Associates, was received & reviewed. Training for the Community Control Group took place in Emo Nov 29 & staff & council attended. Councillor orientation seminar to be held in Fort Frances Nov 30 conducted by Confederation College Councillors Fadden, Gate & Sepers & the Clerk attended. NWHU levy remains @ \$54.33 per capita for 2007. The Rainycrest transfer to Riverside has been completed. The Grow Operation Protocol with the OPP executed & our copy was received. S McNally Fire Chief was unable to attend this meeting. Councillor Sepers updated on the Recreation Committee both the Lutefisk supper & Craft were great successes & work on the ice rink is planned for this weekend. Training for the Community Control Group will take place in Emo Nov 29 & staff & council to attend. Councillor orientation seminar to be held in Fort Frances Nov 30 conducted by Confederation College. The Mayor updated Council on the RRDSAB. The Mayor & Council members attended official activation ceremony of the Morson broadband & cell tower. We will need to put together information to support application for cell service from the Bergland tower. Juniper Shores Phase III subdivision is now registered & available for sale.

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GATE & SEPERS & CARRIED that the meeting is adjourned at 11:00 p.m. and the next meeting be held on January 9, 2007.

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