The minutes of the regular meeting of Lake of the Woods Twp Council held on Tuesday Jan 8th, 2008 at 7pm in the Bergland Council Chambers.

Present

Mayor: V Pizey, Councillors: C Fadden, N Gate, J Moen & T Sepers, And Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles, Rd Supt absent, Fire Chief S McNally, Visitors: G Armstrong & F Sheppard FF Fire, Reporter R Brett.

G Armstrong & F Sheppard reviewed for Council their proposal for training and record keeping for the fire services. Their proposal was to ensure compliance with all applicable legislation and requirements for the fire department. They answered question of the Council members. This discussion ended at 7:40. The Fire Chief then updated Council on the Fire Department and related issues.

MINUTES #08-01FADDEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held Dec 4th, 2007 be approved as circulated.

ACCOUNTS #08 -02 MOEN & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$46,158.60 and representing disbursements for the month of December, less the accounts for Bergland General Store, R A Gill, Miller Contracting, be approved for payment.

ACCOUNTS #08 -03 MOEN & GATE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amounts of \$986.34 and representing disbursements for the month of December, for Bergland General Store, R A Gill & Miller Contracting be approved for payment. C FADDEN DECLARED an interest as spouse is an employee of Miller Contracting & she is an employee of R A Gill. COUNCILLOR SEPERS Declared an interest in the accounts of Bergland General Store.

#08-04 SEPERS & GATE & CARRIED that Fort Frances Fires & Rescue Service be advised that the Township of Lake of the Woods is interested in proceeding with their proposal to offer services to ensure compliance with the legislation requirements for training etc for the fire department. An agreement for services is to be developed and presented to Council for adoption. This agreement to be for a one year period.

RECIPROCAL #08-05 MOEN & FADDEN & CARRIED the Corporation of the Township of Lake of the Woods enter into Minutes of Settlement, a draft of which is attached hereto, to settle the court proceedings in the Superior Court of Ontario being action number 04-CV-274892CM2 between Roma Insurance Program Inc. and Ontario Municipal Insurance Exchange and the Corporation, and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to execute all required documentation to carry out the terms of the said Minutes of Settlement and disburse the required funds payable to Guy A. Wainwright, Barrister & Solicitor in trust.

INSURANCE #08-06 MOEN & SEPERS & CARRIED that Council authorize the renewal of our insurances coverage through AON Reed Stenhouse Inc, with no optional insurance coverage and a premium of \$20,327.00 plus taxes.

RRDMA #08-07 GATE & FADDEN & CARRIED that Council authorize the following to attend the annual Rainy River District Municipal Assoc meeting in Rainy River January 26, 2008: V Pizey, J Moen, N Gate, & T Sepers, & P W Giles. And a donation of \$100.00 be authorized for support of the convention.

IN CAMERA #08-08 SEPERS & GATE & CARRIED that Council go in camera @9:55 to discuss land sales. The session was declared open by the Mayor @ 10:15p.m.

The Road Supt was absent however his written report was submitted to council, The Mayor requested the Clerk to advise the Rd Supt to ensure that vehicles with lugs, i.e. the snowmobile groomer stay off our surface treated roads and that the "No Lugs" sign on Pioneer Rd be reinstalled. A budget update report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. OPP levy for 2008 down to \$45,401 from \$57,170 and WSIB up to \$1.65 from \$1.61, MPAC up to \$25,056 from \$23,196, OMPF funding the same @ \$413,242. Council reviewed a part of Section 3.1 to 3.3 of the Official Plan and will continue next meeting. Councillor Moen requested Council to review its options for recycling since the Town of Rainy River is now offering the service to its ratepayers. The Council members will discuss the service with Rainy River Council members. Council will consider an application to the \$300 million infrastructure Ontario program. The beach front park and point of service water treatment for the halls are possible projects. The Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer signed the annual engagement letter for the audit.

ADJOURN #08-09 SEPERS & FADDEN CARRIED that the meeting is adjourned at 10:20 p.m.