

**THE CORPORATION OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers/Municipal Building

PRESENT

MAYOR ZIG MINTHA
COUNCILLOR Charlotte Neitzel
COUNCILLOR Bob Peltzer
DEPUTY MAYOR Mervin Buckwald
COUNCILLOR Cairine Cybulski
CAO Bryan Martin

Absent:

Gallery: 15

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Zig Mintha called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
PRAYER – Recited

ADDITIONS/CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA –

- 1) Request for support from Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
- 1) October financial report
- 2) Office hours
- 3) Broadband
- 4) Library

08.246 MOVED BY Charlotte Neitzel
SECONDED BY Bob Peltzer

That: The agenda as amended be hereby accepted. Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST – none

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes from November 4, 2008 meeting for approval

08.247 MOVED BY Charlotte Neitzel
SECONDED BY Cairine Cybulski

THAT: The minutes of regular council meeting held on November 4, 2008 as presented be hereby adopted.

Pecuniary Interest – None declared

DELEGATES -

Bonnechere Youth Group – Lucy Lamontange attended to speak to council on the Bonnechere Youth Group. She introduced the members of the current board to council and updated council on the goals of the center.

08.248 MOVED BY Bob Peltzer
SECONDED BY Cairine Cybulski

THAT: We recognize and support the Bonnechere Valley Youth Activity Centre in their efforts to create a year round home. Further. That we support the concept of winterizing the current building at the Legion Field. We agree to consider allowing winterization plans to proceed after receiving and reviewing a work plan detailing work to be undertaken and the means of providing funds, labour and a time table to complete the work as well as a management plan for the operation of the facility.
Carried

REPORTS Charlotte Neitzel provided an oral report from this afternoons Administrative Committee meeting.

08.249 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald

THAT: Council proceed with issuing a Statement of Concurrence to Rogers in order that Rogers provide the same to Industry Canada.
COMMITTEE recognizes that the proposed tower site is being situated and designed so as to have minimal impact on surrounding land uses.
FURTHER, this resolution of Council is pursuant to the recommendation of our Official Planner and staff.

IT IS TO BE noted that Rogers is identifying that the proposed site is well located to provide an improved wireless and data services in our targeted area.
Carried

08.250 MOVED BY Bob Peltzer
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald

THAT: should funds become available before the end of 2008, the Recreation Manager shall be authorized to proceed with plans for air conditioning the Eagle's Nest facility at the Eganville and Area Arena.
Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed.

08.251 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario introduced Bill 187 on March 22, 2007 that changed the assessment cycle from an annual update to a four-year-cycle for the 2009 tax year (based on a January 1, 2008 valuation date);
AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario determined that, any assessment increases would be phased-in-over four years;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has historically adjusted the residential education tax rate in an assessment year;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew has received the 2009 tax year assessment information indicating that our residential property owners can expect to see a 9.1 percent average assessment increase for each year of the four year phase-in-program;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario is solely responsible to set the residential education tax rates;

NOW therefore be it resolved that the County of Renfrew requests that the Province of Ontario decrease the residential education tax rate for the 2009 tax year and remaining years of the phase-in program, by committing that the education tax rates will be reduced proportionately to the increase in assessment values to ensure that County of Renfrew taxpayers are not adversely affected by the substantial increase in assessment.

AND further that this resolution be forwarded to MPP John Yakubski. Carried

08.252 MOVED BY Bob Peltzer
SECONDED BY Charlotte Neitzel

THAT: THAT the Township of Bonnechere Valley support the Knights of Columbus to sell their Annual Charity Raffle Tickets, under Provincial License No: KCG 2377.
Carried

08.253 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Merv Buckwald

THAT: Correspondence be filed.
Carried

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1) Support Algonquins

08.254 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Charlotte Neitzel
THAT: Bonnechere Valley Township Council support The Algonquins of
Pikwakanagan's application to the Build Canada Fund Carried

- 2) Oct financial report – reviewed
- 3) Office Hours

08.255 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Charlotte Neitzel
THAT: Council directed the CAO be directed to close the municipal office on
Friday, January 2, 2009. The office staff will be utilizing a float holiday for the
day's holiday. Carried

- 4) Broadband – Cairine provided an update

08.256 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald
THAT: Council has appointed Councillor Cairine Cybulski as municipal
representative on the Broadband Steering Committee Partnership including:
Bonnechere Valley Township
North Algona Wilberforce Township
Township of Killaloe, Haggarty and Richards
The Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
Township Brudenell Lyndoch
Township of Madawaska Valley Carried

- 5) Library – Bob Peltzer provided an update

BY-LAWS

08.257 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald
THAT: By-Law 2008-94 being a By-Law to confirm the Proceedings of Council
be read a first time, be deemed read a second time, be deemed read a third time
and passed. Carried

08.258 MOVED BY Charlotte Neitzel
SECONDED BY Bob Peltzer
THAT: (1) By-Law 2008-95 being a by-law to authorize a private roads
agreement with Margaret Hamilton, Bradley Lane Carried

ACCOUNTS RESOLUTION – (November)

08.259 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Charlotte Neitzel
THAT: The Accounts for the month of November in the amount of \$149,221.32
be paid from the Bank of Montreal Eganville Branch. Carried

MEDIA SESSION none

CLOSED SESSION – (1)

08.260 MOVED BY Charlotte Neitzel
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald

THAT: Council proceed in Closed Session to deal with a matter as indicated below: labour relations or employee negotiations. Carried

08.261 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Bob Peltzer

THAT: Council come out of Closed Session Carried

ADJOURNMENT

08. 262 MOVED BY Cairine Cybulski
SECONDED BY Mervin Buckwald

THAT: This Council meeting be hereby concluded at 10:10 p.m. Carried



Mayor Zig Mintha



Bryan Martin, C.A.O.