

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DESERONTO

COUNCIL MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deseronto held on February 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m at the Deseronto Lions Hall, 300 Main Street in Deseronto, Ontario.

ATTENDANCE:

**Mayor
Deputy Mayor**

**N. Clark
C. Zieman**

Councillors

**D. Johnston
D. McMeeken
E. Tumak**

**Clerk
Treasurer**

**B. Brooks
T. Lloyd**

Public

**Kenneth Holmes
Irene Usher
Christine Burden- MPAC
Lynden Johnson, Customer Service - MPAC**

Press

- 1. OPENING PRAYER** – The Mayor lead those in attendance in the Lord's Prayer
- 2. MAYOR'S ADDRESS** – The Mayor asked that 2009 Budgets be limited to the forecasts as presented in the 2008 budget deliberations. His objective with this initiative is that the economic downturn needs to have time to recover and maintaining a limited budget will decrease the effects on residents of the Town.

Council is working on items regarding the Deseronto Development Corporation and those items will come to the forefront when they are complete.

- 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - None**
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Resolution 04-09-01

**Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: E Tumak**

THAT Council accept the agenda as presented with the following additions:

- MPAC as deputation 7.1 with customer survey;**
- Show and Shine request 11.3b;**
- Drawings of Town Hall – Item 13d);**
- Addition to Transit committee motion and an update on 11.4 regarding the symposium.**

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- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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a) Minutes of January 27, 2009 Regular Council meeting

b) Minutes of January 29, 2009 Special Council meeting and attached Appendix "A"

Resolution 04-09-02

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded: D Johnston

THAT the January 27 and 29, 2009 Council minutes be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

c) Deseronto Transit Minutes of January 19, 2009 and November 19, 2008

Resolution 04-09-03

Moved by: E Tumak

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council accept the January 19, 2009 and the November 19, 2008 Deseronto Transit Minutes as presented.

CARRIED

6. BY-LAWS

7. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS -

Christine Burden, MPAC reported to Council on the changes and enhancements to the assessment system. Mrs. Burden reviewed their statistics and data with Council and highlighted changes to the system that are meant to improve the system. Numerous inquiries by Council were made to better understand the approach taken for the assessment in the Town of Deseronto.

8. QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

-Irene Usher asked Council to consider children's activities/events in the next newsletter.

-Irene also asked Council to consider her assistance with the Development Corporation and advised Council that she is updating her property "to the tune of \$18,000" to increase the clientele for the Town's Edge Bed and Breakfast.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Correspondence requiring No Action

a) Letter from Julian Fantino, Commissioner, O.P.P

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- b) Letter from Emergency Management for full compliance of the Emergency Management and Civil protections Act for 2008.**

Resolution 04-09-04

**Moved by: D Johnston
Seconded by: E Tumak**

THAT items 9.1a) and 9.1b) be received and filed.

CARRIED

9.2 Correspondence Requiring Action

- a) Request from Thomson Rogers for consultation regarding wireless communications facilities.**

Resolution 04-09-05

**Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: D Johnston**

THAT the Clerk contact the County and request clarification to ensure there is not duplication in this consultation request from Thomson Rogers.

FURTHER THAT the Clerk be the Municipal representative for this communication consultation process if deemed appropriate after County consultation.

CARRIED

10. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

- * Schedule of Accounts 03-09**

Resolution 04-09-06

**Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: D Johnston**

THAT Council accept Schedule of Accounts 03-09 in the amount of \$105,559.70 for payment as presented.

CARRIED

11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/Committee of the Whole

11.1 Finance & Administration

- a) The Clerk will update Council members of the details of the February 4, 2009 round table discussion at AMO regarding the Treaty Commission of Ontario proposal.**

The Clerk advised Council of the details and discussion topics of the AMO roundtable discussion regarding the Ipperwash Inquiry Report and Treaty Commission Ontario initiatives and the members that were present. Highlights included a large focus on

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the “Duty to consult Process” and the “ways in which other Municipalities are coping with Native issues”. The Clerk advised Council that there would be further discussion/meetings pertaining to this initiative and stated reports would come to Council as discussion progresses.

b) O’Flynn Weese proposal/quote for services

Resolution 04-09-07

**Moved C Zieman
Seconded by: E Tumak**

THAT Council accept the quote for services for \$175.00/hr from Ken Sykes, O’Flynn, Weese LLP, for 2009 legal requirements and FURTHER THAT the Clerk and Mayor execute the proposal/agreement.

CARRIED

c) Debit Machine- Recommendation from Treasurer (distributed Monday)

Resolution 04-09-08

**Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: D Johnston**

THAT Council waive the .15 transaction fee for each use and incorporates the estimated costs into the Municipal levy.

CARRIED

d) Photocopier Machine- Recommendation from Treasurer (distributed Monday)

This item will be brought back for Feb 24, 2009 for Council consideration.

e) The Deputy Mayor discussed his concerns regarding the future of the Deseronto Transit System. He then proceeded to ask the Council to consider receiving and filing the Treasurer’s report of the Deseronto Transit to allow further elaboration and future reference. There was some discussion as to the full intent of receiving this report.

Resolution 04-09-09

**Moved by: D Johnston
Seconded by: C Zieman**

THAT the Treasurer’s report for the Deseronto Transit System be received and filed as presented.

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11.2 Public Works and Fire Department Committee

11.3 Parks and Recreation Committee

a) Community Centre operations report

*** Councillor Johnston apologized for the delay and advised Council that a February 24 completion date is the goal.**

b) Show and Shine

*** Councillor Johnston asked that any correspondence be forwarded to Recreation committee.**

11.4 Economic Development & Planning Committee

a) Deseronto Archives 2008 review

Resolution 04-09-10

**Moved by: D Johnston
Seconded by C Zieman**

THAT Council receive and file the “Deseronto Archives 2008 review” report as presented.

CARRIED

b) Update from Wandering Journalist Productions regarding Economic Development DVD.

Resolution 04-09-11

**Moved by: D Johnston
Seconded by: D McMeeken**

THAT Council receive and file this letter/update from Wandering Journalist Productions.

CARRIED

c) Homelessness Initiative Grant – Deseronto Transit

***Councillor Tumak updated Council regarding the Transit Grant and the small changes to the timelines highlighted. He informed Council members that the Transit department is pursuing some leads on potential buses and will approach Council for approval for purchase once a bus is deemed suitable.**

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.1 Capital Asset Policy

Resolution 19-08-17

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Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: E Tumak

THAT this item be left on the agenda.

CARRIED

13. NEW BUSINESS

a) George A Grant Insurance(Cowan Insurance) renewal certificate and package for 2009

Resolution 04-09-12

Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council accept the 2009 Insurance policy from Cowan Insurance in the amount of \$ 91,799.00 plus PST as presented and FURTHER THAT Council receive and file this renewal certificate and package.

CARRIED

b) Encroachment Agreement

Resolution 04-09-13

Moved by: E Tumak
Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute this agreement and FURTHER THAT confirmation be given to the applicants lawyer that the Town of Deseronto authorize repairs and upkeep to maintain its original condition but not to alter the design or layout of the aforementioned structure.

CARRIED

c) Homelessness Partnership Agreement – Meal Program

Resolution 04-09-14

Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Treasurer to execute this agreement for an April 1st commencement date.

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d) Deseronto Marina gas tank condition

Council members discussed the status and environmental concerns regarding the condition of existing gas tanks at the Deseronto Marina property.

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Resolution 04-09-15

**Moved by: D Johnston
Seconded by: C Zieman**

THAT the Clerk inquire with the Ministry of Environment as to the status of the gas tanks and owner requirements for the owners of the Deseronto Marina.

CARRIED

14. MOTIONS & NOTICES OF MOTION - None

*Councillor Tumak submitted a future motion pertaining to the Water and Sewer rates/consumption the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

15. MOTION TO MOVE IN-CAMERA

- 2 Personnel
- 1 Property
- 1 Financial

Resolution 04-09-16

**Moved by: D Johnston
Seconded by: C Zieman**

THAT as required under Section 239(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Council rise and move In-Camera for the purposes of discussion personnel, property and financial matters.

CARRIED

16. MOTION TO CONFIRM ACTIONS TAKEN “IN-CAMERA”

Resolution 04-09-24

**Moved by: C Zieman
Seconded by: D Johnston**

THAT Council confirm all actions/decisions taken In-Camera.
CARRIED

17. BY-LAWS

17.1 A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council Meeting of February 10, 2009.

Resolution 04-09-25

**Moved by: C Zieman
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THAT By-law 09-09 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council is read a first, second and finally passed and number assigned this 10th day of February, 2009.

CARRIED

18. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Resolution 04-09-26

Moved by: D McMeeken

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT the February 10, 2009 Council meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

(Signed)

**MAYOR
(Norman J. Clark)**

**CLERK
(Bryan Brooks)**