

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DESERONTO

COUNCIL MINUTES

JANUARY 27, 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 January 27, 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

**Terry Kimmett
Sargeant G. McLellan, OPP
Inspector Pat Finnegan, OPP
Irene Usher, resident
Warden Ron Emond, County of Hastings**

Press

1. OPENING PRAYER – The Mayor lead those in attendance at Council in the Lord's prayer.

2. MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Commented on the support that was shown at the Mayor's Levee. Reiterated his comments from the Deseronto Mayor's Levee. Spoke to the status of the Protests and the formation of a Development Corporation. Informed the members in the public that the residents shall see the start of a development this year. If the proposed development goes through the community will endure a strong morale boost. The Mayor gave a copy of a letter from Jim Watson, Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding local challenges and our local infrastructure concerns. Informed members of the audience that the Provincial and Federal members of parliament were open to the concept of the Development Corporation and the plans to proceed.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – None Noted

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Resolution 02-09-01

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

THAT Council approve the agenda with the two following agenda items:

- Clarification of use of Lions hall under section 11.1;**
- Invitation for the Clerk to a round table discussion regarding the lpperwash inquiry under section 9.2.**

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5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

a) Minutes of January 13, 2009 regular council meeting.

Resolution 02-09-02

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council approve the minutes of January 13th, 2009 as presented.

CARRIED

b) Deseronto Revitalization minutes of January 8, 2009

Resolution 02-09-03

Moved by: D Johnston

Seconded by: E Tumak

THAT Council accept the minutes of January 8, 2009 Deseronto Revitalization committee and;

THAT Council approval is given for parking signs that indicate the maximum parking time of 2 hours to be purchased and installed in the downtown core. About ten to fifteen signs will be purchased for various locations in the downtown, and will either be mounted to new metal poles that will be installed on the street or to existing hydro poles depending on consultations with the Streets Department Supervisor Joe Carter. The RED program funding will cover 50% of the costs of this item which are estimated to be about \$400.00. FURTHER THAT once the parking signs are in place, a process is adopted to ensure the parking by-law is enforced.

FURTHER THAT Council approval is given for one additional parking space located near the I.D.A. Drug Store to be designated as a handicap parking space when the spring line-painting occurs.

FURTHER THAT Council approval is given for additional directional parking signs to be installed in the downtown to better indicate available parking areas such as Water St.

FURTHER THAT the enforcement for the parking by-law be forwarded to the Finance and Administration committee.

CARRIED

c) Finance and Administration Minutes January 21, 2009

Resolution 02-09-04

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council accept the Finance and Administration minutes of January 21, 2009 as presented and that Council pursue the possibility of the Transit committee be operated as a board similar to the Library.

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6. BY-LAWS – none presented

7. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS -

a) County Warden, Ron Emond

Warden Emond informed Council of his election as the chair of the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus and a director on the AMCTO Board.

The warden apologized for his absence of the Mayor's Levee. Updated Council that the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus is looking into getting broadband, and there are an outstanding 20 responses to the request. In early March the initiative will step into the financial funding initiatives.

Other areas of concern are social housing, and he expressed the concern that 18,000 are on the list for social housing.

Roads and bridges is another area of concern for the caucus and are pushing for a seat on the fiscal review. They are trying to address, crown lands, seasonal residences, and 911 initiatives.

b) Inspector Pat Finnegan, O.P.P

Inspector Finnegan submitted and reviewed the November-December 2008 Police Services Report. Informed Council members that it is the OPP's intent to report to Council every two months to present this report.

c) Terry Kimmett

Informed Council of his concerns that there is more activity at the Quarry over the past week. Has informed the OPP that he would like every individual on the property charged with trespassing.

Addressed some concerns about tax issues on his property and his inability to use his land. Expressed concerns of discrimination. Approximately \$6600.00 in damage in Deseronto and the Tyendinaga losses are in the millions of dollars ranges. Has given the Town of Deseronto an invoice of \$6,600 for losses as claimed by the property owner from 2007 and 2008.

Councillor Tumak has suggested that we arrange a meeting with Terry Kimmett with the MP and MPP

The Mayor believes that we must demand a meeting with the Indian and Northern Affairs Minister.

Warden Emond requested that Mr. Kimmett gather the information and submit this to the Mayor. The County will request a meeting with ministers at higher levels to help garner support for the initiative.

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The Mayor asked the Warden to arrange a meeting for next week to discuss with higher level of governments.

8. QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE - NONE

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Correspondence requiring No Action

9.2 Correspondence Requiring Action

- a) Request for Support from Tyendinaga Township regarding the closure of Richmond Landfill

Resolution 02-09-05

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

THAT Council receive and file this request.

CARRIED

- b) OGRA/ROMA delegation request deadline notification

Resolution 02-09-06

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

THAT Council receive and file this notification.

CARRIED

- c) Letter to Council regarding support for action against Bakelite Property in Belleville

Resolution 02-09-07

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

THAT Council receive and file request for support.

CARRIED

- d) Ipperwash Inquiry February 4th, 2009

Resolution 02-09-08

**Moved C Zieman
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THAT the Clerk attend this meeting and report back to Council.

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10. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

Schedule of Accounts 02-09

Resolution 02-09-09

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Schedule of Accounts 02-09 in the amount of \$ 253,783.28 be accepted for payment as presented.

CARRIED

11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/Committee of the Whole

11.1 Finance & Administration

a) O.P.P cost recovery formula update

Resolution 02-09-10

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council receive and file and that the Treasurer obtain the Township of Tyendinaga police estimated costs to compare to ours.

CARRIED

b) Manulife reports (last Council meeting)

Resolution 02-09-11

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

That Council receive and file the Manulife reports as presented and accept Manulife as our 2009 benefit provider.

CARRIED

c) The Crayon Crew drawings- comments from Council(last council meeting)

Resolution 02-09-12

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THAT this item be placed in unfinished business and that Council arrange a meeting in the next week with The Crayon Crew to discuss the renovation drawings.

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- d) Lions Hall- Potential of completing a renovation to have a police office located in the building.

Resolution 02-09-13

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT this item be placed in unfinished business.

CARRIED

- e) Collins Barrow Chartered Accountants- Confirmation of procedures for Year-End audit and letter of representation

Resolution 02-09-14

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council receive and file and that the Clerk and the Mayor are authorized to sign the documents.

CARRIED

11.2 Public Works and Fire Department Committee

- a) Allocation of Kubota Sale funds- permission to allocate these funds to reserves in the Streets Dept.

Resolution 02-09-15

Moved by: D McMeeken

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council authorize the sale of the 1985 Kubota and attachments for \$7500.00 and that the funds be allocated to a reserve fund(\$7500) for future purchases for the streets department.

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11.3 Parks and Recreation Committee

- a) Status of Arena Operations report

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This report is going well and the report shall be edited and submitted pretty close to schedule. This report may be a week late or so but will be completed.

- b) Request to hire an additional part time staff member to the arena with no additional hours from the 2009 budget.

Resolution 02-09-16

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D Johnston

THAT Council authorize the Arena Supervisor to prepare an advertisement and proceed with the recommendation to hire an additional casual employee for hours not currently being fulfilled. This recommendation shall come back to Council for final approval.

CARRIED

11.4 Economic Development & Planning Committee

- a) Motion regarding support for promoting anniversaries in upcoming years (notice of motion from last Council meeting)

Resolution 02-09-17

Moved by: E Tumak

Seconded by: C Zieman

THAT Councillor Tumak is authorized to present and promote the special anniversaries to Prince Edward Community Tourism Development Alliance

CARRIED

- b) Symposium update-

Councillor Tumak submitted a draft agenda and a list of attendees of the Symposium for Arctic Gardens. Councillors discussed some potential attendees and the Mayor asked that any comments be brought back to Council. Any problems with speakers and location be submitted by the end of week.(Unfinished Business)

- c) Homelessness Partnership Strategy – Transit

Councillor Tumak advised Council members of any concern of repayment schedule for disposed assets. Council was updated that the grant agreement has been submitted. Council reiterated the request for approval prior to purchase.

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d) Grocery store update

Councillor Tumak submitted a request to Council for a public meeting about a Co-operative Grocery store. Councillor Tumak requested the use of the Deseronto Lions Hall.

Resolution 02-09-18

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: E Tumak

THAT Council authorize the free use of the facility for a meeting on February 7, 2009 at 2:00 p.m subject to availability.

CARRIED

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.1 Capital Asset Policy

Resolution 19-08-17

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: E Tumak

THAT this item be left on the agenda.

CARRIED

13. NEW BUSINESS

14. MOTIONS & NOTICES OF MOTION - None

15. MOTION TO MOVE IN-CAMERA

- 2 Personnel

- 1 financial matter

Resolution 02-09-19

Moved by: C Zieman

Seconded by: D McMeeken

THAT Council as required under Section 239(1) rise and move In-Camera for the purposes of Personnel and Finance matters.

CARRIED

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

Resolution 02-09-23

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**THAT Council confirms all actions/decisions taken In-Camera.
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17. BY-LAWS

17.1 A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council Meeting of January 27, 2009.

Resolution 02-09-24

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

THAT By-law 07-09 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council is read a first, second and finally passed and number assigned this 27th day of January, 2009.

CARRIED

18. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Resolution 02-09-25

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

THAT Council adjourns the meeting of January 27, 2009.

CARRIED

(Signed)

**MAYOR
(Norman J. Clark)**

**CLERK
(Bryan Brooks)**