

**THE CORPORATION OF  
THE TOWNSHIP OF SIOUX NARROWS - NESTOR FALLS**

A regular open meeting of Council was held Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. A quorum of Council was present and this was a duly authorized meeting of the Corporation of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls.

Resolution No. 155-11

Moved by Norbert Dufresne

Seconded by Wayne Helliar

That the Mayor now calls this meeting to order to deal with matters pertaining to general.

Carried

Resolution No. 156-11

Moved by Wayne Helliar

Seconded by Norbert Dufresne

That the Council of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls hereby approve and adopt the agenda for the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Council meeting.

Carried

**Disclosure of Interest** - None.

**Adoption of Minutes**

Resolution No. 157-11

Moved by Wayne Helliar

Seconded by Gale Black

That the minutes of the November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011, regular open meeting of Council be adopted as read and published.

Carried

**Correspondence** - None.

**Disbursements**

Resolution No. 158-11

Moved by Norbert Dufresne

Seconded by Wayne Helliar

That the November 2011 Disbursements, having been checked and found that all accounts are in order, passes same for payment in the amount of \$976,551.71.

Carried

**By-Laws**

Resolution No. 159-11

Moved by Wayne Helliar

Seconded by Gale Black

That the by-law to establish a Planning Advisory Committee and Committee of Adjustment for the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls, having been read a first time, and deemed read a second and third time, passes the by-law as read.

Carried

**Reports from Committees**

J. O'Leary – reported that he attended a Sioux Narrows Parent Council meeting, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Parent Council Member, M. Motlong requested someone from Council attend to hear the committee's concerns regarding rumors that the children's books, as part of the school library, were going to be removed now as the board no longer funds a Library position for the Sioux Narrows School. The Vice Principal was in attendance. She was going to go back to the Board to see if she could secure funding for a Librarian to manage the School Children's Library. Stated that it was a great meeting and the parents are very busy and active group. Attended a Kenora District Services Board meeting, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at which they discussed the proposed 2012 budget. It appears that there will be a 3.5% increase to their budget overall. Though, this may not translate to a 3.5% increase for each member municipality, as our levy is calculated based on our Assessment. We will have a better picture of what this means to us, when we get our Assessment totals from MPAC. KDSB passed a new Housing and EMS Renewal Policy. They have a huge inventory of housing units that requires care and maintenance. They have budgeted 2.2 million dollars for a scheduled maintenance renewal, partly funded from the budget and partly out of their reserves. Attended the Community Emergency Control Group training and exercise, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Orange heli-air-ambulance presented to the committee. Discussion ensued regarding KDSB Housing.

G. Black – reported that she met with the Sioux Narrows Recreation Committee on the November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The committee expressed an interest in working with other community groups to repair the Sioux Narrows Curling Club. Stated that they have over \$12,000 in their savings account. There will be some wish list items she will bring from the committee to the budget meeting. They are holding a New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance at the Sioux Narrows Community Hall. Attended a Library Board meeting the November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Everything is great. No change proposed to the budget for the Library. Received a season report from the Park Manager. A copy of the report will be in the Council basket.

N. Dufresne – reported that the Fire Rescue Service has regular training scheduled for tonight. Reported that the Chief, W. Linton, and Captain, A. Townson, made a presentation to the students at the Nestor Falls Public School. Reported that there was a Community Emergency Management Control Group exercise and training session last week. Reported that the Chief is working on a regional Driver training and testing with other local Departments. Reported that the Chief is involved with the upcoming Basic Community Emergency Management course being held in Dryden. Reported that he attended the Nestor Falls School Christmas Concert. It was a wonderful event.

W. Helliar – reported that he attended a Nestor Falls Recreation Committee Meeting December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. They are holding a New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance. It is a joint event, hosted by the Recreation Committee and Curling Club. The Curling Club is running the dinner and the Recreation Committee is running the bar. There will be a local band, Big River. The Recreation Committee and Curling Club are splitting the profits. They also discussed Winter Carnival. It will be the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Carnival. It will be a big event, starting March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012. They will have a live band Friday night, dj Saturday, fishing derby and many family friendly activities. There will be a big participant Prize this year, a \$1,000 travel gift certificate. He had a request from the Recreation Committee for a small freezer and a range hood for the Nestor Falls Community Hall. Council asked if the committee would be willing to spend some of their funds raised on these projects. W. Helliar will bring the response back to the Committee. Attended an Environmental Action Committee meeting in Kenora in November 8<sup>th</sup>. Discussion ensued regarding volunteers for the Nestor Falls Skating Rink flooding. Discussion ensued regarding

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dry hydrants for use by the Fire Department for water supply in the winter months for fire suppression purposes. N. Dufresne will discuss possibilities with the Fire Chief.

B. Thompson – reported that there was a Police Services Board meeting November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011. They discussed the letter we sent to the Ontario Provincial Police regarding our service agreement cancellation. There is a misconception that we will no longer have police services in our community. That is not true at all. There will be police services. We are just negotiating new agreement arrangements. Discussion ensued. Reported that he attended the Emergency Management Community Control Group training and exercise session November 30<sup>th</sup> 2011. The Ornge presentation was very interesting. The next training session will be at the new Nestor Falls building. Reported that he attended the Festival of Trees event in Kenora, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011. He also attended a Northwestern Health Unit Board meeting last week. Discussion ensued.

**Old Business** – None.

**New Business**

Resolution No. 160-11

Moved by Norbert Dufresne

Seconded by Wayne Helliard

That Andrew Gage be appointed to the Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls Fire Rescue Service as Fire Fighter.

Carried

Resolution No. 161-11

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Norbert Dufresne

That as a result of a resignation from the District of Kenora Home for the Aged, approval be hereby given to extend Jim Blight's term of office on the Board from November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013; and,

That arrangements be made to advertise the vacancy for a third representative on the Board to represent Area 1, comprised of Kenora and Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls.

Carried

**Delegations** – None.

**Adjournment**

Resolution No. 162-11

Moved by Gale Black

Seconded by Norbert Dufresne

That the business of the meeting having been dealt with, a motion for adjournment is so made.

Carried

Members Present

B. Thompson

G. Black

N. Dufresne

J. O'Leary

W. Helliard

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Mayor

Clerk