

*The Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan*

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Magnetawan Community Centre**

Any and All Minutes are to be considered Draft until approved by Council at a Regular Meeting of Council

**In Attendance:**

**Council Members:** Mayor Dick Smith  
Councillors: Kris Nicholls, Patti Paul, Tony Pratas; and Frank Tod

**Municipal Staff:** Brenda J. Fraser, Clerk/Administrator

1. **OPENING COMMENTS**  
By Mayor Dick Smith
  
2. **DECLARATIONS OF 'PECUNIARY INTERESTS'**  
None Declared
  
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-78**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Patti Paul

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan approves the Minutes of the Council Meeting(s) as presented and circulated:

- 3.1 Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007;
- 3.2 Special Meeting of Council on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007. *Unapproved Carried.*

**4. DELEGATES**

- 4.1 **Bill Riley**, President, MIS Municipal Insurance Services Ltd., briefly advised Council on some of the aspects of our Municipal Insurance program.
  
- 4.2 Mayor Smith announced that Lois Cookman, Public Relations Coordinator, Burk's Falls and District Food Bank was not available for tonight's meeting. Representatives from the Haliburton ATV Association were in attendance and were granted time, for a presentation to Council with regard to allowing ATV's on Municipal Roads.

- 4.3 Manny DaSilva, Chair, Civic Improvements Portfolio, Magnetawan Lions Club provided an update to Council with regard to: improvements to the Lions walkway; the status of building a gazebo/pavilion at the park; and rebuilding the Lions White Elephant Building.
- 4.4 Lisa Gillette, member, Magnetawan Recreation Committee, presented their 2007 Budget to Council. Mrs. Gillette also requested authorization from Council to submit an application for Canada Day funding.
- 4.5 Heather Emlaw approached Council to request legal non-conforming status of their 'pit', in order to make application for a licence under MNR, as required by the Aggregate Resources Act. Council requested that proof of operation of the pit and a diagram showing the location of the pit on the property, be provided to the Municipal Office.

#### **BY-LAWS**

Council unanimously decided to not pass the presented draft By-law to restrict the weight upon the axles of commercial vehicles or trailers.

#### **MOTIONS AND DISCUSSIONS**

##### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-79**

**Moved by:** Patti Paul

**Seconded by:** Tony Pratas

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan accepts the Treasurer's Statement of Remuneration and Expenses paid to each Council Member in the year 2006, as required by Section 284 (1) of *The Municipal Act, S.O. 2001*, as amended.

**Carried.**

##### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-80**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Kris Nicholls

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan shall extend the Agreement attached hereto as Schedule 'A', between The Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan and Marnie Wallace, operating as Almaguin Animal Control Shelter, for a further 4 year term.

**Carried.**

##### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-81**

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**Seconded by:** Patti Paul

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan in accordance with Section 20 of By-law No. 2004-16, shall hold the Regular Meeting of Council scheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007, on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., in the Magnetawan Community Centre, in order that three (3) members of Council may attend the FONOM/MMAH Municipal Conference being held in the Town of Kirkland Lake, from May 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

**Carried.**

##### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-82**

**Moved by:** Kris Nicholls

**Seconded by:** Tony Pratas

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan supports the ideals and purpose of rent-to-own, building of more co-operative housing and similar models of housing that integrates people into all levels of society;

**And further** be it resolved that Council requests:

- that all levels of Government increase funding to shelters for women and children escaping violence and abuse;
- that the Federal Government set an actual ‘poverty line’ based upon the basic living needs of an individual, a couple, a family with two and then four children, within the Country of Canada;
- that the Federal Government review the taxation of seniors and low-income earners living at or below the ‘poverty line’;
- that all levels of Government create more support systems for low income seniors pertaining to property taxes, to enable them to remain in their own homes;
- that all level of Government honour their commitments, past and present, to alleviate the situation immediately; and
- that Federal and Provincial members of Parliament and AMO be asked to provide their support of these requests. **Carried.**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-83**

**Moved by:** Tony Pratas

**Seconded by:** Patti Paul

has failed to protect communities in Northern Ontario by allowing companies to shut down mills and redirect wood supplies outside of the local region;

ment supports Stephen Harper’s unfair and unsustainable softwood lumber agreement with the United States;

ment has neglected to adequately support value-added initiatives that create jobs and wealth in Northern Ontario;

ment has continued to pursue disastrous energy policies;

ment continues to disregard potential solutions put forth by industries, communities and the citizens of Northern Ontario;

**the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan** petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:

to reverse the above policies which are destroying the economic and social fabric of Northern Ontario;

to make sure that wood fibre harvested in the North and the mineral resources from our mines are processed locally, as much as is practical;

to promote value-added initiatives to build a solid foundation for the economy of Northern Ontario before it is totally decimated;

to refuse to allow companies to separate power dams from wood and pulp and paper operations;

to implement a regional pricing policy for hydro-electricity that is generated here in the North to support all Northern industries; and

to implement sectoral strategies to ensure communities in Northern Ontario remain sustainable despite inevitable economic downturns in the primary resource industries of forestry and mining.

**Carried.**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Dick Smith introduced a letter from the Ahmic Lake Cottagers Association with regard to the 'boat docks downstream from the Magnetawan Bridge'. Discussion of Council was deferred to a future meeting.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None presented.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Michael Turner, Municipal Auditor, requested a date to meet with Council to review the 2006 financial results. Mayor Dick Smith announced that Council would attend a "training session" with Mr. Turner, on March 12, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-84**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Patti Paul

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan authorizes payment of Six Hundred (\$600.00) dollars to Blue Sky Economic Growth Corporation for inclusion of our Municipality in the Northern Communities Investment Readiness Project. **Carried.**

Councillor Tony Pratas requested that the Septic re-inspection program that he submitted for discussion on this agenda, be deferred to the March 14, 2007 agenda.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-85**

**Moved by:** Patti Paul

**Seconded by:** Kris Nicholls

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan supports the submission of an application to the Department of Canadian Heritage, by the Magnetawan Recreation Committee, to fund 2007 Canada Day activities. **Carried.**

Councillor Tony Pratas introduced correspondence from the Ahmic Harbour Fire Brigade, Les Graves and Magnetawan Ratepayers Association. Mayor Smith deferred discussion of these letters.

## **ACCOUNTS**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-86**

**Moved by:** Frank Tod

**Seconded by:** Patti Paul

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan recognizes payment of cheques numbered 3114 to 3167, inclusive, and approves the accounts as presented and circulated in the amount of:

Roads (Invoices and Payroll) \$14,595.32; Levies \$23,002.22; and General Government (Invoices and Payroll) \$28,410.07; for a total of \$66,007.61. **Carried.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-87**

**Moved by:** Tony Pratas

**Seconded by:** Kris Nicholls

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan does hereby now adjourn.

Time: 8:45 p.m.

**Carried.**

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Brenda J. Fraser, *Clerk/Administrator*