

**CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD,
CLARA & MARIA**

November 9, 2007

Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Friday, November 9, 2007 at 13:57 h. in the Council Chambers.

The following were present:

Reeve	Tammy Lea Sonnenburg
Councillor	Ed Aiston
Councillor	Dave Foote
Councillor	Jim Gibson
Councillor	Robert Reid

PECUNIARY INTEREST -None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Addition to New Business – Snowmobile Club.
Approved by general consent.

MINUTES

Resolution #1 – Moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Councillor Foote **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the statements attributed to Ruth Morin be stricken from the minutes.

Request for a recorded vote:

Aiston – Nay
Reid – Yes
Gibson – Yes
Foote – Yes
Sonnenburg – No.
Carried

Clerk has advised that the minutes of that meeting should remain unchanged – Clerk to take to legal Counsel as she does not believe that this is a valid resolution. That Ruth had requested to speak as a ratepayer, she had been acknowledged by the Chair and allowed to speak. This has happened in the past and that if for the future, they wished to change that they certainly could, however it was not a valid reason to have comments removed from the current minutes. It is a record of what happened.

Resolution # 2

Moved by Councillor Foote and seconded by Councillor Gibson **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting October 26, 2007 be (accepted) are as amended.

Request for a recorded vote:

Aiston – Nay
Reid – Yes
Gibson – Yes
Foote – Yes
Sonnenburg – Yes
Carried

DEPUTATIONS - none

CLERK'S REPORT

- Request for authorization to have signs prepared and erected re: “roads temporarily closed – use at your own risk” for all of our “seasonally” maintained roads -have Terry put them up? Approximate cost of \$40 (cost of comparable sign recently quoted by County sign shop). Will require 6 signs – Ashport, Francoeur, Mackey Boat Launch, Mackey Creek, Jennings, and Kenny Roads.

Resolution #3

Moved by Councillor Aiston and seconded by Councillor Reid **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipality purchase the required number of Temporary Road Closure signs to help protect us from potential liability due to not maintaining certain sections of our roads

through the winter months; and have them posted as soon as is possible.

Carried

- Emergency management exercise – will set date and time in consultation with Philippe who has to evaluate us and will have to proceed with persons available at that time;
- Defibrillator program – up to 12 people to be trained – will confirm once closer to date, County not ready yet;
- Sylvie has reported that there is one new person who has begun recycling;
- Request for use of fire phone for winter by Disposal Site Attendant– to check for better reception;
- *Clean Water Act* – does not apply to us but all other aspects of the safe drinking legislation does as we have a “public” system. I will research further but I believe, based on conversations with Dave Tantalio from the Health Department, that we have all our bases covered.
- Dave Lemkay BRAVO task force – spoke with him by phone, he does not have any new information from the company that is working with Laurentian Hills. He will obtain that information and will attend a meeting of our council as soon as is possible. He did express his concern that our area was too remote with too few potential customers to make this a viable option however; there is funding out there, we just need to find it and he will follow up. He did express that the current supplier works with a cost sharing arrangement with local municipalities and interested ratepayers to come to a cooperative agreement for provision of services. I believe the funds requested for Laurentian Hills were in excess of \$100,000. In effect it is a system of subsidizing the end user by the Municipality.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Resolution # 4

Moved by Councillor Aiston and seconded by Councillor Foote **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Reeve Sonnenburg has reviewed the Journal Entries from J334 to and including J771, from September 6, 2007 to November 6, 2007.

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Cheryl Gallant – re: additional COMRIF funding - info
2. AMO Alert – re: welcome to new cabinet - info
3. OPERA – re: Bill 136, Spaces to Grow Act and implications for all municipalities -info
4. AMO – re: Ombudsman and open-meeting investigator services - info

NEW BUSINESS – Holiday meeting schedule and office hours

December 24th – closed, - **Action**- Newsletter – Disposal Sites closed Christmas Eve as well – pickup on next available day.

Council meeting schedule will be changed to Council on December 7th and 14th no committee meeting this month.

January – Committee 11th, Council 18th; The meetings of December 21st and January 4th will not occur due to the Holidays. **Action** – Clerk to advertise.

Snowmobile club – fees for hall rental. They feel that it is unjustified that they pay fees and others do not for use. Commented on the Cards group – explained that Cards is a Municipal Recreational activity, they are not a private club. At Clerk’s suggestion – defer discussion to next meeting pending research on past decisions. **Action** – clerk to obtain info for next meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Physician Recruitment

Spoke towards challenges with current Physician Recruitment efforts and the need to increase the compensation currently being offered.

What do we need to offer? Why can’t we arrange it? Reeve Sonnenburg has advised that Laurentian Hills and Deep River are satisfied with what they are currently offering.

Have the tri-council looked towards Trillium Grants? Is it possible?

Action – Request that this be added to Joint-Council to discuss the issue and take innovative steps to increase the number of doctors in our area.

Sort out the committee problem – determine who is responsible for what? What is each committee's mandate? Request a report of "who does what"? What is the point of the Physician Recruitment Committee?

Council is disappointed with the status quo – Reeve Sonnenburg to obtain additional information and report back to Council. If Council is not satisfied with the progress and information received, Council will draft a letter outlining our disappointment with the progress of the committee and request an audience to address the issues.

Resolution # 5

Moved by Councillor Aiston and seconded by Councillor Reid **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the Physician Recruitment meeting be received.

Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

BY-LAWS - none

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Councillor Reid – question about why Deux Rivieres dump was left open over the weekend? No response, this is the first we've heard about it. Next time lock it and call the office.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #6

Moved by Councillor Foote and seconded by Councillor Aiston **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting adjourn at 15:53 h. to meet again November 23, 2007 at 14:00 h.

Carried

Reeve - Tammy-Lea Sonnenburg

Clerk – Melinda Reith