

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on
November 13, 2007 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

Members Present:

Reeve	Dave Burton	
Deputy Reeve	Jim Mackie	Ward 1
Councillor	Suzanne Partridge	Ward 2
Councillor	Donna Graham	Ward 3
Councillor	Gary Stoughton	Ward 4

Staff Present:

CAO/Treasurer, Sharon Stoughton-Craig
Clerk, Irene S. Cook

Attendance:

Jenn Watt Haliburton Echo
Roger Williams

Delegations

none

Affiliation

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF.

- The Reeve called the meeting to order.
- The meeting commenced at 9:00 a.m.
- A quorum was present.
- He reminded Council of the Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest as noted on the agenda.

Items added/changed to Agenda

2007-491

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following items be added/changed on the agenda:

- Administration: Sale of surplus lands – remove from agenda
- Administration: promotional items for Highlands East i.e. lapel pins and key chains – Discussion
- Planning: Development Agreement with Dr. Wayne Hocking (weather station) – Discussion
- Planning: Municipality of Dysart et al re: purchase of original road allowance - Discussion
- Building: Building Plans reimbursement – Discussion
- Building: Paudash Lake Conservation Association re: work permits from Crowe Valley Conservation Authority – Discussion
- Fire: TAS – Dispatch – Discussion
- Administration: newspaper articles

Carried.

Approval of Accounts

2007-492

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT General Accounts in the amount of \$775,859.11 be approved.

Carried.

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Council Remuneration

The CAO/Treasurer distributed to Council information pertaining to Council remuneration.

Organization Review

The CAO/Treasurer discussed with Council the tendering of the Organization Review. Three tenders were received and opened at the Council meeting. Council directed the CAO/Treasurer to obtain reference checks prior to Council making a decision in this matter.

Fire trucks – safety checks and pumper tests

The CAO/Treasurer distributed to Council and the Fire Chief the safety checks and pumper tests on the fire trucks for the years 2005 – 2007.

Additions/Changes to Budget

The CAO/Treasurer discussed with Council the need to obtain approval from Council and follow the provisions of the Municipal Notice By-law for any additions/changes to the budget.

Shingles – Firehall

2007-493

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the payment of invoices as follows:

- Emmerson Rent-All \$44.01
- Schwandt Lumber \$1,221.15

For shingles - roof on firehall.

Carried.

Invoices – Babylon Express Services & Drive Test

2007-494

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the payment of invoices from Babylon Express Services in the amount of \$5,850.00 and Drive Test \$193.98 & \$387.96.

Carried.

Broadband – County

2007-495

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the CAO, Sharon Stoughton-Craig to sign on behalf of the Municipality the Highlands East Network Restructure & Broadband Implementation Agreement.

Carried.

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December 2007 Council Meeting

2007-496

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council declares that there be only one council meeting in December, 2007 being December 11, 2007.

Carried.

Christmas Office Hours

2007-497

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the main office be closed from December 21, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. and re-open at 9:00 a.m. January 2, 2008.

The Ward 1 office will be closed from December 21, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. and re-open at 9:00 a.m. January 2, 2008.

All staff has either saved holidays for this period or will not be paid.

Carried.

LAS Closed Meeting Investigator

2007-498

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the Clerk to make the necessary arrangements to enter into an agreement with LAS for Closed Meeting Investigator.

Carried.

Farmland Managed Forest & Conservation Land Tax

2007-499

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the resolution from the Township of Burpee and Mills requesting that the Province of Ontario to directly refund to the Municipalities the 75% Farmland Managed Forest and Conservation Land Tax.

Carried.

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Surplus Lands – shoreline road allowance

2007-500

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following application for the Closure and Conveyance of Shoreline Road Allowances be declared surplus lands by Council and that the application be approved in principle and be forwarded to Bishop and Rogers for processing:

- Rick and Sandra Woodhouse; Conc. 16, Pt Lot 24, geographic Township of Monmouth (Esson Lake) Roll No. 601-29200

Carried.

Dysart et al – road allowance/Veronika Kormendy

2007-501

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to the appraised value of \$3,000 pertaining to subject lands (Veronika Kormendy Roll #46-24-030-000-23200 Dysart et al) and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Dysart et al.

Carried.

Reimbursement of building – plans

2007-502

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the reimbursement of \$795.00 for the redraft of plans submitted for property described as Conc. 6 Pt. Lot 19 RP19R105, Part 8, property roll # 4601 902000 10800 0000.

Carried.

County Road 648 & 4 – reconstruction

2007-503

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council requests that the County of Haliburton provide paved shoulders along County Road 648 up to the Legion and paved shoulders to Cockle Lake on County Road 4 when doing reconstruction of County Road 648 and County Road 4.

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Reimbursement – Glenn Keating

2007-504

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Glenn Keating be reimbursed for work done on his vehicle that was damaged.

Carried.

Well Drilling Tender – Garage

2007-505

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the tender from Joe Legge & Sons Drilling dated October 22, 2007 for the municipal garage well.

Carried.

Gary Simmons – trapping rights

2007-506

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT permission be granted to Gary Simmons to trap on the following properties owned by the Municipality of Highlands East and within the boundaries of the geographic Township of Bicroft: For the period of the term of this Council.

Pt. Lot 30 - Conc. 10

Pt. Lot 31 - Conc. 10

Pt. Lot 31 - Conc. 11

Pt. Lot 32 - Conc. 11

AND FURTHER THAT Gary Simmons is to confirm with the Municipality ownership of lands prior to commencing trapping on the aforementioned land.

Carried.

Conservation Authority – funding formula

2007-507

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Donna Graham

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the resolution from the Municipality of Brockton requesting that the Province of Ontario to revisit the funding formula currently used for Conservation Authorities with the intent to increase the funding provided to Conservation Authorities to allow them to enhance their staffing and thereby respond to development proposals in a more timely manner.

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Fibre Biosolids

2007-508

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the resolution from the Township of Brock requesting that the Ministry of Environment adhere to the recommendations and conclusions of its own Panel of Experts by acknowledging paper fibre biosolids as a waste, by removing the exemption status for Sound-sorb and Nitro-sorb and by imposing the recommended regulatory control of a Certificate of Approval or legal instrument that provide equal or better protection for human health and the environment.

Carried.

Donation to Gooderham Committee for Kids X-mas Party

2007-509

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council donate \$100.00 to the Gooderham Committee for Kids for their Christmas Party.

Carried.

Paudash Lake Conservation Association – Vials for Life Program

2007-510

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council grants permission to Paudash Lake Conservation Association to distribute Vials of Life Program as set out in their letter dated October 26, 2007. A small information “blurb” will be permitted by Council to be placed in with Highlands East newsletter.

Carried.

Generator Reimbursement

2007-511

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT those individuals who purchased a generator from the former Fire Chief and former Fire Captain and have provided proof of purchase no later than October 27, 2007 shall be reimbursed. Monies to come out of Fire Reserves. The CAO to proceed with getting GST and PST back.

Carried.

- **Department Reports were submitted, reviewed and filed for future reference.**

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Ward Councillor Report

Highlights:

- Ward 1: Jim Mackie reported that the problems with the cats are getting straightened out. The ditches at Birch Place and Spruce look good. The Remembrance Day Service went well. Mr. Mackie reported concerns about concrete blocks that were placed on property that is on municipal land that needs to be removed. The property owner stated that he had permission from the County of Haliburton to place them. The snowmobiles and four wheelers go across this area and Mr. Mackie was concerned about potential accidents. A letter is to be sent to the County of Haliburton requesting that this situation be rectified within 48 hours. The fire truck is finally straightened out with the weight issue and is back up and running. The meeting on October 30th with the groups using the Cardiff Community Centre went well and there will be some upgrades done to the Centre i.e. ladies washroom will be made wheelchair accessible, etc.
- Ward 2: Suzanne Partridge reported the Glen Covert and her met with the Highland Grove Recreation Committee. Suzanne expressed her thanks to Glen for attending this meeting on his own time. The residents on West Eels Lake Road are still not happy about the Rally of the Tall Pines but are reassured that she will be following up on the condition of the road after the event. Highway 28 fire hall now has a fire truck. Houston Road still has had no work done and wants this put on a priority list for 2008.
- Ward 3: Donna Graham reported that on December 1st there will be a Christmas Dinner held by the Committee for Kids. Santa will be attending. The playground equipment – slides require some work and she has contacted Henderson Playground Equipment and she will be sending the part to them and they will install. There will be a new member to the group and they have lost a couple of members. Donna reported that baseball equipment was taken from the Post Office and still has not been returned and requested that a letter be sent to the person who has these items asking them to return them. On December 8th the Gooderham Action Group will be holding a Christmas Dinner, cost of \$15.00 per plate and they can accommodate up to 72 people. The dinner starts at 6:00 p.m.
- Ward 4: Gary Stoughton reported that he has not seen any more work done on the Dark Lake dam for the last three weeks. Gary requested that the County be contacted requesting that Saunders Road name be changed back Wilberforce Road. Gary asked as to when the washroom was going to be installed in Wilberforce. Gary is still concerned about the library situation. He has received an invitation from the Heritage Guild for the installation of a new plaque on November 25th.
- REEVE: The Reeve reported that he has received a letter from Mary Barker expressing a number of concerns pertaining to the washroom that will be installed in Wilberforce. The Reeve also discussed the low water levels in wells around Dark Lake. The Reeve has met with Parks Canada, Barry Devolin, MP and Laurie Scott, MPP. Parks Canada is supplying water and will have a hydrogeological study done on Dark Lake. This report may be available by next week. Parks Canada is willing to hold an “Open House” to discuss the water levels. The arena has been open so that people can use the showers, washroom facilities and pick up water. The Reeve commented that the Wilberforce people have been very patient during this time.

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Adjourn Committee of Council

2007-512

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee of Council be adjourned.

Carried.

Agenda of Council meeting Adopted

2007-513

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the Council meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

Approval of Minutes

2007-514

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Donna Graham

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Municipality of Highlands East approves the minutes of October 9, 2007 and October 23, 2007 council meetings.

Carried.

Approve Resolutions

2007-515

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Donna Graham

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the resolutions from the Committee of Council of a Whole meeting of Tuesday, November 13, 2007 be adopted.

Carried.

By-laws

2007-516

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-laws Nos:

2007-52 Being a Shoreline Road Allowance for lands in front of Part
Lot 28 & 29, Conc 6, geographic Township of Cardiff
(Paudash Lake) **Applicant: Leslie & Irene Parr**

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- 2007-59 Being a Shoreline Road Allowance for lands in front of Part Lot 26, Conc 13, geographic Township of Glamorgan (Stormy Lake) **Applicant: Michael Gariepy & Rosetta Puntillo**
- 2007-60 Being a by-law to amend By-law No. 2005-29, as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Municipality of Highlands East with respect to lands located in Part of Lot 21, Conc. 7 (geographic township of Cardiff) Roll Nos. 4601 101 000 66400 0000, 4601 101 000 66500 0000, 4601 101 000 66600 0000 and 4601 101 000 67400 0000
- 2007-61 Being a By-law to appoint a Fire Chief and Alternate Community Management Coordinator for the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East and to enter into a six month employee agreement and to rescind By-laws Nos. 2007-11, 2007-23, 2007-32.

be read a first, second and third time, passed and signed and the Corporate Seal attached.

Carried.

Confirm Proceeding of Meeting

2007-517

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2007-62 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of council at its regular meeting of November 13, 2007, be read a first, second and third time, passed, signed and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

Carried.

Adjournment

2007-518

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Reeve, Dave Burton

Clerk, Irene S. Cook