

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 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 Cook  
Roads Superintendent, Earl Covert  
Fire Chief, Bill Wingrove  
Environmental/Property Supervisor, Glen Covert  
Chief Building Official, Randy Dunsmore

**Attendance:**

Angelica Blenich                                      Haliburton Echo  
Liz Danielsen                                          The County Voice  
Roger Williams  
Barry Dickinson  
Paul Hazen

**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.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof:**

Reeve Dave Burton declared pecuniary interest in cheque #1511 in the amount of \$67.17 and #1519 in the amount of \$149.05 payable to Jane Underwood.

**Open Meeting**

**2009-401**

Moved by: Donna Graham  
Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee of Council meeting be declared open.

Carried.

**Adopt Agenda**

**2009-402**

Moved by: Jim Mackie  
Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

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

Carried.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

**Wilberforce Santa Claus Parade**

**2009-403**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council donates \$200.00 for the Wilberforce Santa Claus Parade.

Carried.

**Surplus to Reserves**

**2009-404**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT if a surplus occurs in any department, it be transferred to general surplus.

Carried.

*2010 Municipal Insurance proposals submitted by BFL Canada and Cowan was discussed by Council. The CAO/Treasurer recommended to Council to continue with Cowan Insurance for the upcoming year.*

**2010 Municipal Insurance**

**2009-405**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Insurance Policy prepared by BFL Canada for the year 2010 be accepted in the amount of \$104,311.00 plus applicable taxes. And further that the contract be extended to an 18 month term – prorated.

Carried.

**Approval of Accounts**

**2009-406**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT General Accounts in the amount of \$715,971.26 be approved.

Carried.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

**Fire – Recruit Course**

**2009-407**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs the Fire Chief to register seven fire fighters to attend a recruit course in Norwood, training commencing 2010. Tuition at \$1,500 plus wages of \$2,900 each.

Carried.

**Tory Hill Firehall/Recreation Centre**

**2009-408**

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following lands be declared surplus lands by Council and that the CAO/Treasurer be authorized to proceed with the disposal of surplus lands as per the Municipality's procedures for the sale of real property owned by the Municipality:

- Conc. 11, Pt. Lot 19, RP19R2139 Part 1 geographic Township of Monmouth (Tory Hill Firehall) **46 01 601 000 58100 0000**

Carried.

**Underserviced Area Program**

**2009-409**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the North Hastings Family Health Team and their need to qualify as Underserviced Area Program in order to recruit and retain physicians in the area.

Carried.

**Hospitals under Ombudsman Act**

**2009-410**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the recommendations of Durham Region and the resolution of the Town of Fort Erie in their petition to the Premier of Ontario to take the necessary steps in a timely manner to amend the Ombudsman Act to include hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman.

Carried.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

**Cardiff Household Waste Pickup Contract**

**2009-411**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a contract between the Municipality of Highlands East and J. Garbutt Enterprises for household garbage pick-up and recyclables for 265 locations in Cardiff and area be entered into in the amount of \$36,684.24 per year plus GST, from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010, and further that the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to sign same on behalf of the municipality.

Carried.

**Hwy. 28 Archaeological Assessment**

**2009-412**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the quote from Cambium Environmental Inc. for the coordination and completion of a Stage 1 and 11 archaeological assessment for the Hwy. 28 landfill site in the amount of \$4,425.00 plus applicable taxes.

Carried.

**Landfill Hours**

**2009-413**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the landfill sites for the Municipality of Highlands East will be closed Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Saturday, December 26, 2009 and Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

Carried.

**Arena Hours**

**2009-414**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Arena in Wilberforce will be closed Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Saturday, December 26, 2009 and Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

Carried.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

**Safe Drinking Water Act Costs**

**2009-415**

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the resolution of the Township of Madawaska Valley and their petition to the Province of Ontario to financially assist municipalities to pay for those legislated province requirements under the Safe Drinking Water Act including a financial plan and the required operational plan and to financially assist all municipalities in the Province of Ontario so that water users in the Province of Ontario pay the same amount for a cubic metre for clean, safe drinking water.

Carried.

**Shoreline – Bruce Lakie**

**2009-416**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

WHEREAS Council has received and approved in principle the request to purchase shoreline allowance from Bruce Lakie on October 28, 2008;

AND WHEREAS the application for purchase of shoreline allowance has not received approval from the applicable owner to the east and Mr. Lakie has requested Council to proceed regardless of the opposition;

AND WHEREAS Council has received a report from the Chief Building Official identifying an illegal structure within the required setback to the high water mark;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Bishop and Rogers not to proceed with shoreline allowance purchase until such time as the illegal structure has been dealt with to the satisfaction of the Municipality of Highlands East.

Carried.

**Speed Limits on Township Roads**

**2009-417**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs the Road Superintendant to post speed limit signs on roads as follows:

Adanac Road	40 km.
Beaver Lake Drive	40 km.
Dark Lake Road	40 km. – 20 km.
Dickinson Road	40 km.
Lewis Road	40 km.

Carried.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

**Gooderham Horseshoe Days Deficit**

**2009-418**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT monies be brought down from Recreation Reserves to offset deficit for Gooderham Horseshoe Days in the amount of \$1,027.00.

Carried.

**Recreation Fundraising Monies**

**2009-419**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT fundraising monies from Recreation Committees be transferred to their respective reserve accounts.

Carried.

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

**Ward Councillor Report**

Highlights:

- Ward 1: Jim Mackie reported that he has received complaints about overflowing recycling bins at the Ward 1 landfill site. Jim mentioned the request to relocate the streetlight at 38 Sprucedale in Cardiff which is being considered. One of the township trucks need either to be repaired or disposed of. The pathways need a few touch-ups but otherwise they are looking good. There is an issue with the new asphalt and the oil making the pathway slippery. Jim reported that he has received complaints about a limousine being parked on one of the pathways as well as reports of another resident using one of the pathways on Sprucedale as a personal driveway.
- Ward 2: Suzanne Partridge reported that she has recently attended a dog pound meeting and that the new pound keeper is working out really well. There is a fund set aside for the spaying and neutering (\$2,500) which will be given to HART for their SNIP program. Suzanne attended a conservation meeting in Toronto and there was a proposed 10% budget increase which was defeated. Suzanne will be attending a Crowe Valley meeting on Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Ward 3: Donna Graham thanked both the Reeve and Deputy Reeve for attending the Christmas dinner in Gooderham. Donna requested permission from Council to make use of the \$100 donation for the Children's Christmas Party for other purposes. The banners are in and Donna requested assistance from the township to put them up. Donna reported that she received a compliment on the cleanliness of the washrooms at the Community Centre.
- Ward 4: Gary Stoughton reported that the Arena is being well used. The township roads are looking good and he has received no complaints.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

**Adjourn Committee of Council**

**2009-420**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Committee of Council meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

**Meeting Declared Open**

**2009-421**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Donna Graham

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of Council be declared open.

Carried.

**Amend/Adopt Agenda for Council meeting**

**2009-422**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

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

**Remove: By-law Number 2009-63**

Being a Shoreline Road Allowance for lands in front of Part Lot 23, Conc. 17, geographic Township of Cardiff (Deer Lake)

Applicant: Mary Jane Parker

Carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

**2009-423**

Moved by: Gary Stoughton

Seconded by: Jim Mackie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Municipality of Highlands East approve the minutes of November 10, 2009, November 10, 2009 Official Plan Public Meeting and November 24, 2009 council meetings.

Carried.

**Approve Resolutions**

**2009-424**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Donna Graham

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Highlands East held on  
December 8, 2009 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the resolutions from the Committee of Council of a Whole meeting of Tuesday, December 8, 2009 be adopted.

Carried.

**By-laws  
2009-425**

Moved by: Jim Mackie

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-laws Nos:

- 2009-64 Being a By-law to authorize a fire protection agreement between the Municipality of Highlands East and the Township of Dysart et al - **to be deferred**
- 2009-65 Being a borrowing by-law for 2010
- 2009-66 Being a by-law to write-off uncollectible taxes

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

Carried.

**Confirm Proceeding of Meeting  
2009-426**

Moved by: Donna Graham

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2009-67 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of council at its regular meeting of December 8, 2009, be read a first, second and third time, passed, signed and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

Carried.

**Adjournment  
2009-427**

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Gary Stoughton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

---

Reeve, Dave Burton

---

Clerk, Irene S. Cook