COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES

On Thursday, September 4th, 2008 Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin held their first regular meeting for the month.

Present:

Council:	Mayor Bresnahan	Staff:	Clerk, Harold Luckasavitch
	Councillor Jane Dumas		Office Assistant, Elaine Peacock
	Councillor Joe Florent		Works Superintendent/CBO, Gerald Dunn
	Councillor Dave Harper		
	Councillor Randy Jessup		
	Councillor Robert Ogilvie		
	Councillor Richard Shalla		

Regrets: Deputy Clerk, Geraldeen Dubreuil

Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: J. Dumas** **Res. #08-433**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin calls to order the regular Council Meeting of September 4th, 2008 at 7:07 p.m."
-Carried-

ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: None

Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #08-434**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the agenda as prepared and circulated for the meeting of September 4th, 2008."
-Carried-

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None declared.

PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS AND/OR PRESENTATIONS: None.

Moved by: R. Ogilvie **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #08-435**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adopts the minutes of August 21st, 2008 as circulated and amended."
-Carried-

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

The proposed date for Renewable Energy Systems' Public Meeting regarding the wind farm in Murchison Ward is Thursday, October 2, 2008 from 4:00-9:00 p.m. This conflicts with the Regular Council Meeting. A Saturday public meeting was originally suggested and Councillor Shalla suggests a letter be sent recommending for the benefit of Council and the Township that an alternate date for the meeting be scheduled at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 11th, 2008. The Clerk-Treasurer is to prepare and send the letter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

- Councillor Ogilvie – New information received from Cheryl Gallant's office regarding the Broadband funding. The original response from the MP's office was incorrect. Funding support is being made available however deadline is September 18th, 2008. Councillor Ogilvie requests Council's approval to canvass ratepayers to determine if there is interest in this service.
- Councillor Jessup – Requested an update on the hiring of a Janitor for Murchison and Lyell Community Centre.
- Councillor Shalla – Garbage collection at Aylen Lake: Requested an update on the garbage collection at the Aylen Lake dock. Gerry Dunn advised this issue has been addressed.
- Councillor Shalla – Request of Gerry Dunn regarding the road issue on the lower crescent off Maple Drive. Gerry Dunn advised the issue is being looked at.
- Schedule A for By-law 08-324 – A copy of Schedule 'A' has now been signed by Mayor Bresnahan. The commitment is $5,000/yr until 2013. Mayor Bresnahan and Councillor Florent was not in favour of the costing distribution.

COMMITTEE AND/OR STAFF REPORTS:

CPAC – Councillor Jessup - no meetings during the summer. Mayor Bresnahan requested Councillor Jessup express to the OPP that they should not be pulling motorists into the parking lot of private businesses in Madawaska to lay charges. This has a negative impact on business.

M&L Recreation – Councillor Jessup - no meetings during the summer. He was not aware of the meeting last month so there is no update for Council.

Physician recruitment – Councillor Dumas - contract was signed last Thursday with front page coverage. A second application is underway and seeking Council support. Commitment of $7500/yr for a student completing studies in 2011.

Library – Councillor Harper - confirmed the Best Start Program will not result in extra costs, will be done during current library hours. Councillor Harper also brought forward the issue that there has been no committee formed regarding the new multi-use building in Madawaska. Councillor Florent meeting with a designer regarding the multi-use building in Madawaska;

Fire – Councillor Harper brought forward the issue of charging local residents for call outs.

DNASSAB – Councillor Ogilvie – no meetings during the summer. Two scheduled for September. Best Start meeting scheduled September 5th, 2008.

HR& Admin – Councillor Jessup – meeting held on September 3rd, 2008. Work being done on job descriptions, meetings with staff, and policies. Group and individual meetings will be scheduled when the job descriptions are complete.

Roads Report/Building Code Report – Gerry Dunn, Works Superintendent/Chief Building Official provided Council with a written and verbal report which addressed the following: Gravel crushing and application; AMO announced infrastructure funding – South Algonquin to receive $119.221.00, require list of allowable expenditures and will be discussed at the Strategic Planning meeting on September 9th, 2008; Building Canada Plan - more information on September 12th, 2008 to be included in September 18th, 2008 correspondence package; Winter Sand – Tender opened and will be offered to Danford Construction Ltd.; MTO pit.

- Gerry Dunn also provided Council with a written and verbal report which addressed the following: Septic system and well at the Medical Centre; moisture issue at the Madawaska Rink Building; Madawaska Rink Boards painted; removal of floating dock at Galeairy.

- Gerry Dunn also provided Council with a written and verbal report which addressed the following: Waste Disposal Site signs; Notice issued regarding change in hours of operation.

CORRESPONDENCE: All time sensitive items addressed in the normal course of the meeting

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion regarding an apparent new wind velocity tower on Paplinskie Road and in Sabine Ward without support from Council. A review of By-law #04-214 (construction of buildings) will be conducted by Gerry Dunn to include the requirement of building permits and Council approval for structures over 100 feet in height. Council requested that the Clerk-Treasurer issue a letter to Skypower requesting notification be provided to Council prior to future activity within the Township.

MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:

Moved by: R. Jessup **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. #08-436**

"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves Tina Lee Rock to be hired as the Janitor for the Murchison and Lyell Community Hall effective Monday, September 8, 2008 at a rate of $13.10 plus 4%."

-Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: R. Jessup** **Res. #08-437**

"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin awards Tender#2008-06 for the screening, hauling, mixing with salt and stockpiling of 2500 tonnes of winter sand in the Madawaska Sand Dome at a cost of $20,943.75 including GST and PST."

-Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: J. Dumas** **Res. #08-438**

"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin approves the 2008 Accessibility Plan as amended."

-Carried-

Moved by: J. Dumas **Seconded by: R. Ogilvie** **Res. #08-439**

"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin as a member of the Barry's Bay and Area Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee agrees to provide financial assistance for a (second) medical student in the sum of $30,000 over the years 2008 to 2011 inclusive."

-Carried-

Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #08-440**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin agrees to forego any call out expenses to local residents that are incurred by the Township Fire Dept within their normal area of responsibility."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Ogilvie **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #08-441**
"That Council for the Township of South Algonquin pursue all opportunities to bring reasonably priced high-speed internet access to this Township."
-Carried-

Meeting adjourned for a break at 8:50 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 9:00 p.m.

Moved by: R. Jessup **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. #08-442**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the Clerk-Treasurer to submit an application to the Federal Economic Development Initiatives for Northern Ontario (FEDNOR) for funding for 911 and Civic Addressing in the amount of $407,525.00 of which the Township assumes responsibility for 10%, including in-kind."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Jessup **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #08-443**
"That Council authorize the Clerk to submit to each owner of the boat houses located on the Aylen River a tax bill for 2008 in lieu of a $70.00 Land Use Permit."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Jessup **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. #08-444**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin move into a closed session of Council at 9:25 p.m. to consider subject matter regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees."
-Carried-

Moved by: J. Dumas **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. #08-445**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin wishes to extend the meeting of September 4th, 2008 beyond 10:00 p.m. at the call of the Chair."
-Carried-

Moved by: J. Dumas **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. #08-446**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the closed session of Council for September 4th, 2008 at 10:40 p.m."
-Carried-

Moved by: R. Jessup **Seconded by: J. Florent** **Res. #08-447**
"That all tenders that involve engineering drawings and specifications that site meetings are required that those meetings be attended by the engineer, CBO, Clerk, Office Assistant and any Councillor that may wish to attend and that minutes are taken of all site meetings and become part of the tender process and tender package."
-Carried-

Moved by: J. Florent **Seconded by: R. Jessup** **Res. #08-448**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the payment of all Bills as recorded and presented for the meeting of September 4th, 2008."
-Carried-

Councillor Dumas reminded Council that September 17th, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. is the official opening of the Medical Centre.

The meeting with the doctor needs to be rescheduled from September 25th, 2008. The Clerk-Treasurer will contact the Family Health Team Administrator to suggest October 20th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Council requests that the Deputy Clerk provide an up-to-date statement of expenditures for the next meeting.

Gerry Dunn advised that he was contacted by PC Darraugh of the OPP to make contact with the MNR regarding Fire Road #15. Council declared that as this is an unassumed road that the OPP should contact the MNR directly.

Moved by: D. Harper **Seconded by: R. Shalla** **Res. #08-449**
"That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the regular meeting of September 4th, 2008 at 10:50 p.m."
-Carried-

(Mayor – Percy Bresnahan) **(Clerk– Harold Luckasavitch)**