

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Twp Council held on Wednesday May 4th 2016 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers.

- PRESENT** Mayor L Armstrong. Councillors: D Hartnell, B Jodoin, B Langner & V Murray. Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. The Rd Supt/Fire Chief: was absent due to a fire. Visitors: Troy Kreger appeared before Council seeking clarification on the arrangements we have with individuals for beaver control, he is the holder of trap lines covering the majority of the Crown land in the Township. Council will review the matter with the Rd Supt and provide information to him. Richard Seidel as a bidder was present to observe the opening of the bids on used equipment.
- MINUTES #16-32 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held April 6th 2016, be approved as printed.
- ACCOUNTS #16-33 MURRAY & LANGNER & CARRIED** that the accounts in the amount of \$54,714.34 which representing disbursements for the month of April, be approved for payment.
- TRUCK #16-34 LANGNER & JODOIN & CARRIED** that Council accept the bid from Dennis Jodoin in the amount of \$4450.00 for sale of the 1998 3500 Dodge 1 ton on an "AS IS" "WHERE IS" basis. **COUNCILLOR MURRAY DECLARED AN INTEREST AS HE BID ON THIS ITEM.**
- JD CAT #16-35 LANGNER & JODOIN & CARRIED** that all bids on the JD 450 Cat dozer be rejected as all bids were too low.
- BUS #16-36 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that Council accept the bid from Al Thomson in the amount of \$1200.00 for sale of the 1992 school bus on an "AS IS" "WHERE IS" basis. **COUNCILLOR MURRAY DECLARED AN INTEREST AS HE BID ON THIS ITEM.**
- CRUSHED #16-37 HARTNELL & JODOIN & CARRIED** that the proposal from Dennis Robinson Ltd for Byrnes Road Crushed A Gravel Haul in the amount of \$13.50 per cubic yard and being the lowest of two proposal received, be accepted.
- GRADER #16-38 MURRAY & HARTNELL & CARRIED** that the proposal from NORTRAX Canada Inc for a new 770G John Deere Grader in the amount of \$385,070.10 and being the lowest of two proposals received, be accepted. And the new grader be ordered for delivery as soon as possible. (optional spare tire to be ordered as well as at cost of \$1750.00).
- BY-LAW 373 #16-39 JODOIN & LANGNER & CARRIED** that By-law No 373, being the Tax Ratio By-law, be enacted.
- BY-LAW 374#16-40 HARTNELL & MURRAY & LANGNER & CARRIED** that By-law 374 being the 2016 Capping By-law, be enacted.

OTHER The Rd Supt was absent due to a fire. The next general RRDMA meeting is May 18 in Devlin, RRDSSAB annual meeting is in Fort Frances May 19 and the annual EMO training and exercise is in Chapple May 12, staff & council will attend the mandatory session. The monthly CBO report was received for review. The Clerk-Treasurer updated Council on various items: including revenues from Court of \$496.68 OMPF payment of \$131,125. Residential & Commercial Education rates of .188% & 1.18% were received. New regulations allow the exiting of capping provisions if all properties in the class are at CVA, see By-law 374 as all our properties in the multi-res and industrial classes are at CVA and we are exiting capping for 2016 and future years. For the commercial classes we will use the maximum limits in order to move closer to CVA. Council discussed the request for additional funding from RR Public Library, Council will provide an extra \$650. Council also considered a draft 2016 budget, changes were made and there will be a public meeting at the June Council meeting to consider the 2016 tax rates and budget adoption. A letter is to be sent to property owners on the west end of Baseline Rd asking that they clean up their properties.

ADJOURN #16-41 HARTNELL & MURRAY & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk