

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DESERONTO**

**COUNCIL MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 9, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.**

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deseronto held on December 9th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m at the Deseronto Lions Hall, 300 Main Street in Deseronto, Ontario.**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Mayor  
Deputy Mayor**

**N. Clark  
C. Zieman**

**Councillors**

**D. Johnston  
D. McMeeken  
E. Tumak**

**Clerk  
Treasurer**

**B Brooks  
T Lloyd**

**Public  
Press**

**1. OPENING PRAYER –** The Mayor lead those in attendance.

**2. MAYOR’S ADDRESS –**

\* The Mayor discussed the progress of potential plans/ideas that Council has considered over the first two years of this Council term and gave his priorities for the next two years. The Mayor expressed his support for the development of the Arctic Gardens , Municipal offices, upgrades for Centennial park, and increasing the Park and usage for all members of the Community ( benches, boardwalk, more slips/docking facilities).

\*The Mayor believes that it is important for our Municipality to move straight ahead and continue to operate in a proactive manner.

\*The Mayor asked Council to utilize the committee structure more and get more direction out of those meetings in order to limit Council time.

\*The Mayor asked members of Council to be considerate when they create their budget, given the current economic crisis and believes we can’t burden the ratepayers with a large increase.

\*The Mayor encouraged Council to consider whether they would like to keep the Deseronto Storm Junior A team for 1 more year or whether we sell the team prior to the 2009-2010 season.

\*The Mayor spoke to the initiative of combining the Minor hockey systems to Napanee from Tamworth and Deseronto and expressed his concerns

**3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST -** None

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**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution 25-08-01**

**Moved - D Johnston  
Seconded-D McMeeken**

**THAT Council approves the agenda with the following additional items to be added to the agenda:**

- 4 closed session matters (2 Financial & 2 Property/Land item);**
- Item 15d) removed from the agenda**
- Addition of two (2) items under 11.4**
  - Symposium for Arctic Gardens**
  - Access to information meeting to review information found by the Archivist**

**CARRIED**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) **Minutes and recommendations of Finance and Administration meeting of December 2, 2008**

**Resolution 25-08-02**

**Moved by: C Zieman  
Seconded by: E Tumak**

**THAT Council accepts the minutes and recommendations of the Finance and Administration meeting of December 2, 2008.**

**CARRIED**

- b) **Minutes of regular Council meeting of November 25, 2008**

**Resolution 25-08-03**

**Moved by: C Zieman  
Seconded by: E Tumak**

**THAT Council accepts the November 25, 2008 minutes of regular Council as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- c) **Revitalization minutes of November 20, 2008 (No recommendations)**

**Resolution 25-08-04**

**Moved by: D Johnston  
Seconded by: E Tumak**

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**THAT Council accepts the minutes of the November 20, 2008 Deseronto Revitalizations minutes as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**6. BY-LAWS**

**7. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS**

- a) Carol Marshall request regarding snow removal on Prince St.

**Resolution 25-08-05**

**Moved by: E Tumak**

**Seconded by: C Zieman**

**THAT this request be referred and considered under 11.2 due to the absence of the resident.**

**CARRIED**

- b) Bob Branscombe to present a compliance certificate for the Deseronto Fire Department

- Mr. Branscombe presented Council with a Certificate of Compliance for the Fire Prevention and Public Awareness as required under clause 2 (1) (a) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act. A copy of the community survey and recommendations were also submitted to the Clerk.

**Resolution 25-08-06**

**Moved by: D McMeeken**

**Seconded by: D Johnston**

**THAT Council accepts the Certificate of Compliance for the Fire Prevention and Public Awareness Act.**

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 25-08-07**

**Moved by: C Zieman**

**Seconded by: D Johnston**

**THAT the recommendations submitted by Bob Branscombe be forwarded to the Fire Department Chair for action in the next 60 days and report back to Council**

**CARRIED**

**8. QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 9.1 Correspondence requiring No Action

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- a) Invite to Greer Galloway open house on December 19, 2008 from 12:00p.m – 5:00p.m
  - b) Thank you card from Noreen Zieman for fruit basket from the Town of Deseronto
  - c) Thank you Card from Debbie Parker and family for fruit basket from the Town/Storm
  - d) Thank you letter from Knights of Columbus for free use of Lions Hall on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

**Resolution 25-08-08**

**Moved by: D Johnston  
Seconded by: C Zieman**

**THAT Council receives and files items 9.1a – d.**

**CARRIED**

**9.2 Correspondence Requiring Action**

- a) Request for support from Tyendinaga Township regarding the closure of Richmond Landfill site

**Resolution 25-08-09**

**Moved by: C Zieman  
Seconded by: E Tumak**

**THAT Council defers support of this resolution to unfinished business until clarity is received on this matter**

**CARRIED**

- b) Request from Deseronto Christmas Sharing Program for donations

**Resolution 25-08-10**

**Moved by: C Zieman  
Seconded by: D. McMeeken**

**THAT Council authorizes a donation of \$ 1000.00 to the Deseronto Christmas Sharing program for the 2008 festive season and that this item be included in our 2009 budget deliberations.**

**CARRIED**

**10. Schedule of Accounts Schedule 18-08**

**Resolution 25-08-11**

**Moved by: C Zieman**

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**THAT Council accepts Schedule of Accounts 18-08 in the amount of \$338,031.25 for payment.**

**CARRIED**

**11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**11.1 Finance & Administration**

- a) Update on response from Pat Finnegan regarding the possession of a key for the owner of the building and the Deseronto Police Station (Clerk will update).

**\* The Clerk advised Council members that the owner of the police building now has a key for the O.P.P office and has been instructed to contact the Town hall and notify of staff of entrance.**

- b) Resolution to amend section 2a & b of By-law 50-05 being a By-law to require the owner of occupant of land to clean and clear the land

**Resolution 25-08-12**

**Moved by: C Zieman**

**Seconded: D Johnston**

**THAT the Clerk forward a copy this By-law to Cynthia Law for her review and bring this item back to next Council meeting with her remarks.**

**CARRIED**

**11.2 Public Works and Fire Department Committee**

- a) Draft Sidewalk Ice and Snow Clearing Policy

**Resolution 25-08-13**

**Moved by: C Zieman**

**Seconded by: D Johnston**

**THAT Council adopts the Sidewalk Clearing Policy as presented. FURTHER THAT in conjunction with the Streets Chair, the Clerk and Treasurer look into the costs of the submitted options by Councillor Tumak and report back Council in the first meeting in January.**

**CARRIED**

**11.3 Parks and Recreation Committee**

\*Councillor Johnston informed Council that he has instructed the Arena Manager to inquire with the OMHA whether the Minor Hockey system can be operated by a Municipality. The Arena manager is looking into the preservation of the Deseronto Minor Hockey and the rights for the Town of Deseronto. There is a possible date of December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

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\*D. Johnston believes that losing Minor Hockey will have a significant impact on the arena's net cost and that council should consider keeping the Deseronto Storm due to the possible impact.

**11.4 Economic Development & Planning Committee**

- a) Reply e-mail from Paul Walsh regarding water capacity

Resolution 01-08-10 (Jan 8)

Moved by: C. Zieman  
Seconded by: D. McMeeken

THAT Council forwards this letter to Councillor Tumak for his committee to review this matter.

- c) Symposium for Arctic Gardens in the last week of January 2009

**\* Councillor Tumak informed Council that he will try and arrange a Symposium for Arctic Gardens on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 (tentative date).**

- d) Access to Information findings from the Archivist

**\*Councillor Tumak advised Council that he will distribute a copy of the report(via email) from the Archivist, regarding the conclusions of the access to information papers received from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada.**

- e) Transit Analysis as submitted by the Treasurer

**Resolution 25-08-14**

**Moved by: D Johnston  
Seconded by: C Zieman**

**THAT the Treasurer's transit analysis be referred to unfinished business.**

**CARRIED**

**12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 12.1 Capital Asset Policy

Resolution 19-08-17

Moved by: C Zieman  
Seconded by: E Tumak

THAT this item be left on the agenda.

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**13. NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Copy of the grant to Deseronto Transit service for an annual \$25,000 contribution from Hastings County Social Service Committee.

**Resolution 25-08-15**

**Moved by: D Johnston  
Seconded: C Zieman**

**THAT Council accepts the terms of the agreement and authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign the agreements as presented.**

**CARRIED**

- b) Package from Cambium Environmental highlighting the services that their firm offers.

**Resolution 25-08-16**

**Moved by: C Zieman  
Seconded by: D Johnston**

**THAT Council receives and files the services package and Council instructs Councillor Tumak to invite Cambium Environmental to the Arctic Gardens Symposium.**

**CARRIED**

**14. MOTIONS & NOTICES OF MOTION - None**

**15. MOTION TO MOVE IN-CAMERA**

- 5 Property Issue;
- 4 financial issues;
- 1 Personnel issue;

**Resolution 25-08-17**

**Moved by: D Johnston  
Seconded by: C Zieman**

**THAT as required under Section 239 (1) of the Municipal Act, Council rise and move "In-Camera" for the purposes of property and financial issues.**

**CARRIED**

**16. MOTION TO CONFIRM ACTIONS TAKEN "IN-CAMERA"**

**Resolution 25-08-28**

**Moved by: D Johnston  
Seconded by: E Tumak**

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**THAT Council confirms the actions and decisions taken “In-Camera”.**

**CARRIED**

**17. BY-LAWS**

17.1 A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council Meeting of December 9, 2008.

**Resolution 25-08-29**

**Moved by: C Zieman**

**Seconded by: D Johnston**

**THAT By-law 45-08 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council is read a first, second and finally passed and number assigned this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008.**

**CARRIED**

**18. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Resolution 25-08-30**

**Moved by: Don McMeeken**

**Seconded by: C. Zieman**

**THAT this December 9<sup>th</sup> 2008 meeting of Council be adjourned at 10:46p.m**

**(Signed)**

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**MAYOR**  
**(Norman J. Clark)**

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**CLERK**  
**(Bryan Brooks)**