

The second regular Council meeting for the month of April for the Municipality of North Perth was held on Monday, April 27th, 2009.

Members of Council Present:

Mayor Ed Hollinger
Councillor Jeff Bannerman
Deputy Mayor Julie Behrns
Councillor Paul Horn
Councillor David Johnston arrived at 7:10 p.m.
Councillor Doug Kellum
Councillor Robert Martin
Councillor Randy Pettapiece
Councillor Meredith Schneider
Councillor Terry Seiler

Staff of the Municipality of North Perth Present:

Clerk Patricia Berfelz
Financial Assistant Lois McLaughlin
Operations Manager Gary Pipe
Chief Building Official/Zoning Administrator Ed Podniewicz
Perth County Planner Allan Rothwell
Fire Chief Ed Smith
Deputy Clerk Danette Beare

Media coverage was provided by Andrew Smith, Reporter for the Listowel Banner and Shelley Miller-Cameron, Reporter for CKNX.

Mayor Hollinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION: 180.04/09

It was moved by: Robert Martin, Seconded by: Paul Horn

THAT:

The Agenda for tonight's meeting, as amended be approved.

CARRIED

Mayor Hollinger invited members of Council to disclose a pecuniary interest with items on the Agenda at any time.

RESOLUTION: 181.04/09

It was moved by: Jeff Bannerman, Seconded by: Doug Kellum

THAT:

The minutes of the April 6th, 2009 regular Council meeting as printed and earlier distributed, be approved and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

The Mayor and Council presented medallions to the Listowel Cyclone Peewee 'B' 2009 All Ontario Champions".

The Mayor and Council presented medallions to the Listowel Cyclone Midget 'B' 2009 All Ontario Champions.

Mayor Hollinger welcomed Charlene Gordon and Eugene Dufour from the Perth County Social Research & Planning Council, a subsidiary of The United Way of Perth County to the meeting. They outlined their activities with emphasis on recently published documents entitled “It Affects Us All: A Report on Mental Health in Perth County” and “Quality of Life in Perth County: A 2008 Profile”.

Mayor Hollinger thanked Ms. Gordon and Mr. Dufour for their presentation.

RESOLUTION: 182.04/09

It was moved by: Julie Behrns, Seconded by: Randy Pettapiece

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth will receive for information the following Committee/Board Reports:

- i) April 16th County Council Report
- ii) Listowel Fire Station Building Committee April 16th minutes
- iii) North Perth Multi-Purpose Committee April 1st, April 8th and April 15th minutes
- iv) Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting April 14th minutes
- v) North Perth Public Library March 10th minutes
- vi) North Perth Administration Building Committee April 15th, minutes

CARRIED

Patricia Berfelz, Clerk reviewed a report regarding the proposed amendments to the sign by-law. A by-law is available for Council consideration later in the meeting.

Ed Podniewicz, CBO reviewed a report regarding the re-use of decommissioned septic tanks and the installation of backwater valves.

RESOLUTION: 183.04/09

It was moved by: Terry Seiler, Seconded by: Dave Johnston

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approve the installation of backwater valve devices on all connections to the Atwood Sewer Project;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approve the quote provided by McKeough Supply at a unit cost of \$74.118 each for the purchase of 4” ABS Mainline Fullport Backwater Valves and McKeough Supply at a unit cost of \$62.353 each for the purchase of ML-4XP Mainline 4” Adapt-A- Valves;

AND FURTHER THAT:

Staff are instructed to prepare for consideration a by-law that would provide for and enforce the installation of backwater valve devices on all new connections to municipal sewer services throughout the whole Municipality.

CARRIED

Patricia Berfelz, Clerk reviewed a request for a billboard sign.

RESOLUTION: 184.04/09

It was moved by: Meredith Schneider, Seconded by: Paul Horn

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approve the request by Carson's Country Market to allow for the placement of the 40 square foot billboard sign at 5506 Perth Line 86, Wallace Ward, no closer than 120 feet from the centre line of the highway.

CARRIED

Allan Rothwell, County Planner reviewed a report regarding an extension to a Draft Plan of Subdivision.

RESOLUTION: 185.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Robert Martin

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth recommend to Perth County Council that a 5-year extension of Draft Plan approval be given for the Draft Plan of Subdivision (Application No. 04-01) (Lunor Group Inc.) affecting property described as part of Lots 41 and 42, Concession 1 (Tremaine Ave., Elma Ward) in the Municipality of North Perth and that the conditions of Draft Plan approval issued by the County on October 2, 2004 be satisfied prior to final approval.

CARRIED

Mayor Hollinger reviewed a report prepared by the Director of Recreation regarding the location of the "Community Garden".

RESOLUTION: 186.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Terry Seiler

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth designate Perth Meadows Property (Pt Block 39, Plan 44M-10) as an area for a Community Garden on a one year trial basis.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 187.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Julie Behrns

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approve the application for loan under the *Tile Drainage Act* for \$22,800.00 pertaining to Lots 28 & 29, Concession 16 in Elma Ward, conditional on availability of Provincial financing.

CARRIED

Mayor Hollinger provided Council with several options with regards to application for funding through the Building Canada Fund – Communities Component and the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund. Discussion followed.

RESOLUTION: 188.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Randy Pettapiece

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth identifies the Northeast Resolution Cont'd on Page (514)

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Reconstruction Project as a top municipal priority with an estimated cost of \$7,500,000.00 and approves the grant funding application to the Building Canada Fund – Communities Component and the municipal contribution conditional on receiving grant funding approval;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth attest that the Northeast Reconstruction Project would not be built for over the next two construction seasons without the federal and provincial funding approval.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 189.04/09

It was moved by: Jeff Bannerman, Seconded by: Robert Martin

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth identifies the North Perth Multi-Purpose Complex Project as a top municipal priority with an estimated cost of \$12,000,000.00 and approves the grant funding application to the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and the municipal contribution conditional on receiving grant funding approval,

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth attest that the North Perth Multi-Purpose Complex Project would not be built for over the next two construction seasons without the federal and provincial funding approval.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 190.04/09

It was moved by: Paul Horn, Seconded by: Doug Kellum

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth identifies the North Perth Admin/Fire Building Renewal Project as a top municipal priority with an estimated cost of \$3,600,000.00 and approves the grant funding application to the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and the municipal contribution conditional on receiving grant funding approval;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth attest that the North Perth Admin/Fire Building Renewal Project would not be built for over the next two construction seasons without the federal and provincial funding approval.

CARRIED

A report was available for Council information regarding statistical information with regard to the Fire Service operating costs.

Randy Pettapiece 2009 Budget Chair, presented the 2009 Capital and Operating Budgets Final Report attached as Schedule 'A'.

RESOLUTION: 191.04/09

It was moved by: Randy Pettapiece, Seconded by: Robert Martin

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approves the 2009 Budget as presented by Randy Pettapiece, 2009 Budget Chairperson.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Behrns thanked Councillor Pettapiece for undertaking the position of 2009 Budget Chair.

RESOLUTION: 192.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Randy Pettapiece

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth awards the tender for the supply of a 4X4 pickup to Tim Haines Chevrolet Cadillac in the amount of \$21,436.10 including taxes.

CARRIED

Gary Pipe, Operations Manager reviewed a report regarding a request for a three-way stop.

RESOLUTION: 193.04/09

It was moved by: Jeff Bannerman, Seconded by: Robert Martin

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth directs staff to prepare an amendment to the Traffic By-law to include a three way stop at the intersection at Bright Street and Reserve Avenue South.

CARRIED

Gary Pipe, Operations Manager reviewed a report regarding the status of the Elma Landfill upgrades.

Gary Pipe, Operations Manager provided Council with an update to the Elma Landfill shed.

RESOLUTION: 194.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Terry Seiler

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth requests the OPP to include the Elma Landfill Site in their routine drive by patrol.

CARRIED

Gary Pipe, Operations Manager reviewed a report regarding the Atwood Wastewater Collection System.

RESOLUTION: 195.04/09

It was moved by: Julie Behrns, Seconded by: Jeff Bannerman

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth receives for information the Burnside Construction Reports dated April 23, 2009 regarding the Atwood Wastewater Collection System and Elma Landfill Upgrades.

CARRIED

Gary Pipe, Operations Manager informed Council the signs regarding bait fishing will be going up shortly. He also indicated that the Engineer has been requested to speed up the tender process regarding the Hilpert Bridge project.

RESOLUTION: 196.04/09

It was moved by: Doug Kellum, Seconded by: Terry Seiler

THAT:

The following accounts are approved for payment:

General Administration	171,505.21
Business Improvement Association	-
Cemetery	346.94
Fire-Administration	1,446.57
Fire-Atwood Department	2,405.32
Fire-Elma Logan Department	3,478.62
Fire-Listowel Department	4,749.75
Day Care	3,103.50
Library	8,701.60
Police	189.62
Public Works & Sanitation-Capital	11,550.93
Public Works & Sanitation	186,208.57
Recreation	35,215.27
Payroll #7	98,756.67
Payroll #8 including Fire Dept.	172,846.38
Total	700,504.95

CARRIED

Fire Chief reviewed a report regarding the level of service to be provided by the North Perth Fire Department.

RESOLUTION: 197.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston. Seconded by: Jeff Bannerman

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth directs the North Perth Fire Department to provide fire inspections under the following circumstances:

- A complaint is received regarding the fire safety of a property; and
- A request is made to assist a property owner or occupant to comply with the Fire Code. Any inspections performed as a result of a property owner or occupant's request, will be invoiced in accordance with the Municipality of North Perth Rates & Users Fees and License By-law.

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth directs the North Perth Fire Department to provide only the minimal mandated requirements for public education which includes the distribution of fire safety education material and a smoke alarm program.

CARRIED

Councillor Pettapiece requested Ed Smith, Fire Chief to prepare a report regarding the cost to provide fire safety education at the Public Schools.

RESOLUTION: 198.04/09

It was moved by: Doug Kellum, Seconded by: Robert Martin

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approves the Consent Agenda from Resolution Cont'd on Page (517)

Resolution Cont'd from Page (516)

the Committee of the Whole Council Meeting of April 20th as follows:

- i) Support the request from the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario for the Annual Heart & Stroke Big Bike Ride to be held on Friday, May 1st, 2009 from approximately 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. The Bike Route as follows:
 - Proceed west from Veky's Restaurant to Wallace Ave. N.,
 - Proceed north on Wallace Ave N to Blake St. E.,
 - Proceed east on Blake St. E. to Davidson Ave. N.
 - Proceed south on Davidson Ave. N. to Main St. E.
 - Proceed west on Main St. E. and ending at Veky's Restaurant

AND FURTHER THAT:

The North Perth OPP, Fire, Public Works and Perth County EMS be advised of this event.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 199.04/09

It was moved by: Randy Pettapiece, Seconded by: Paul Horn

THAT:

The Council of the Municipality of North Perth approves the request from Only Sports, Cross Heating and Crabby Joes to hold a Bicycle Rodeo on May 8th, 2009 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the northeast corner of the Municipal Parking Lot on Inkerman Street East.

AND FURTHER THAT:

The North Perth OPP, Fire, Public Works and Perth County EMS be advised of this event.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 200.04/09

It was moved by: Meredith Schneider, Seconded by: Dave Johnston

THAT:

By-law No. 22-2009, being a By-law to regulate or prohibit signs within The Municipality of North Perth, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 201.04/09

It was moved by: Robert Martin, Seconded by: Julie Behrns

THAT:

By-law No. 62-2009, being a By-law to authorize the signing of an agreement, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

Councillor Horn declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting.

RESOLUTION: . 202.04/09

It was moved by: Meredith Schneider, Seconded by: Terry Seiler

THAT:

By-law No. 63-2009, being a By-law to authorize the signing of an agreement with S&S Liquid Disposal Trucking, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

Councillor Horn returned to the meeting.

RESOLUTION: 203.04/09

It was moved by: Robert Martin, Seconded by: Paul Horn

THAT:

By-law No. 64-2009, being a By-law to authorize the signing of an agreement with Morris Gerber Excavating, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 204.04/09

It was moved by: Julie Behrns, Seconded by: Meredith Schneider

THAT:

By-law No. 65-2009, being a By-law to authorize the signing of an agreement with P.E. Inglis Holdings Inc., be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 205.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Randy Pettapiece

THAT:

By-law No. 66-2009, being a By-law to authorize the signing of an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Ontario represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 206.04/09

It was moved by: Doug Kellum, Seconded by: Paul Horn

THAT:

By-law No. 68-2009, being a By-law to amend the Municipality of North Perth By-law No. 24-2006, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: 207.04/09

It was moved by: Julie Behrns, Seconded by: Meredith Schneider

THAT:

By-law No. 71-2009, being a By-law to appoint the Interim Director of Public Works, be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

Councillor Horn left the meeting.

RESOLUTION: 208.04/09

It was moved by: Dave Johnston, Seconded by: Jeff Bannerman

THAT:

By-law No. 69-2009, being a By-law to confirm generally previous actions of the Council of the Municipality of North Perth; be introduced, read and considered read a first, second and third time and be finally passed and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

CARRIED

Councillor Horn returned to the meeting.

RESOLUTION: 209.04/09

It was moved by: Julie Behrns, Seconded by: Robert Martin

THAT:

The Council meeting do now adjourn to meet again for general Council business on Monday, May 4th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

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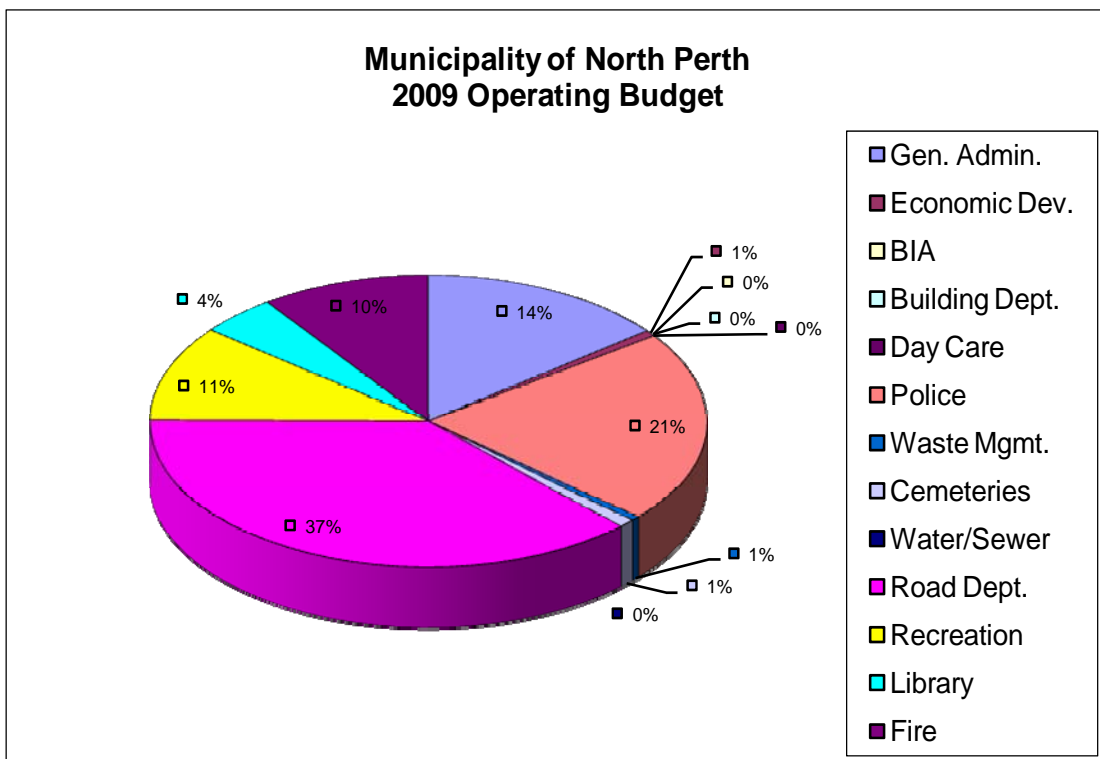
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SCHEDULE 'A'

**Municipality of North Perth
 2009 Budget Report**

Budget deliberations have been extremely difficult for 2009. There were five special Budget Committee of the Whole meetings held to consider capital and operating budget proposals for 2009. Council struggled with the poor local economic situation and the ongoing need for infrastructure renewal and increased operating costs for the services provided.

Municipal operating costs have increased significantly with the cost of energy and contract services. Departments were directed to submit a budget with a minimal increase. North Perth has operating revenues of \$7,559,650.00, provincial funding of \$2,357,300.00, and operating expenditures of \$17,155,066.52 with a net levy requirement of \$7,238,056.52 as per page #5 of this report.



Capital Projects were considered individually on their own merit by department and will be fully funded from reserves, loans, grants or donations in 2009. The total estimated 2009 Capital expenditure, including projects that have been carried over from 2008, is \$15,469,349.00. Significant capital dollars have been allocated to projects in the municipality this year; notably, the Atwood Sewer Servicing Project, Hwy 23 Pumping Station Retrofit, Septage Station Upgrades, Integrated Library Software, Optimist Tennis Court Project, Vandalism & Graffiti Action Plan, Downtown Beatification and Rural Paving.

As well, the completion of Clayton Street Reconstruction, Hilpert Bridget and Solid Waste Management will be undertaken this year. The capital projects receiving approval are identified and summarized as part of this report on page #4.

SCHEDULE 'A' cont'd

Property reassessment was completed in 2008 for the 2009 tax year. The full impact of property assessment increases will be phased in over four years and decreases will be fully implemented for 2009. Tax shifts are attributable to the reassessment with notable decreases for farmland shifting to the residential property tax class. As well, real residential growth and development creates some of the increase to the residential tax class in North Perth.

With the ongoing economic concerns in the manufacturing and agricultural industries, Council tried to achieve a responsible balance between maintaining municipal services & assets and minimizing property tax increases. The 2009 Capital and Operating Budgets represent a 2.7% levy increase compared to the 7.7% in 2008. The combined, School Board, Perth County and North Perth municipal tax levy for 2009, has a projected levy impact for the property taxpayers in North Perth of 2.1%.

An average residential unit in North Perth that has been reassessed at \$158,709 would experience an estimated tax increase of \$1.47 per month for 2009. The combined tax impact for commercial and industrial properties held steady with relief from the province on the school board levy for both tax classes. Individual property increases and decreases will vary based on reassessment changes.

The 2009 Budget is a key financial policy for the municipality and will be monitored ongoing by staff and Council. Quarterly, budget summary reports will be presented to Council and available to the ratepayers of North Perth for consideration and review.

In closing, I want to thank members of Council and staff for their conscientiousness in the completion of the first stage of the 2009 budgeting process. In light of recent funding announcements, Council will be considering amendments to the capital budget in an effort to further stimulate our local economy and address our infrastructure deficit. We will be closely monitoring the implementation and effectiveness of the plan as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.

At this time, I MOVE that the 2009 Budget be approved as presented.

Respectively submitted,

Randy Pettapiece

Randy Pettapiece,
Councillor & Budget Chair