

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Minutes**

**November 12, 2013**

**6:45 p.m. - Council Chambers**

**Present:** Reeve, Ken Lamming  
**Councillors:** Ron Amadio, Ian Chambers, David Gianni and Amy Zuccato  
**Staff:** CAO/Administrator, Peggy Greco; Fire Chief, Ed Haley, Fire Fighter, Jim Boisseneau  
**Public:** See attached (several did not sign in)

1. **Call to Order - 7:28 pm** (due to over-run of the Committee of Adjustment meeting)

Reeve asked for a moment of silence to remember our veterans.

2. **Approve Agenda  
Resolution: 2013-257**  
**Moved by: A. Zuccato**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby approves the agenda of November 12th, 2013 and any addendum, as presented. (cd)  
**Seconded by: R. Amadio**
3. **Disclosure of Interest – none**
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting – October 8 and October 22, 2013  
Resolution: 2013-258**  
**Moved by: D. Gianni**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of October 8 and special meeting of October 22, 2013, as presented. (cd)  
**Seconded by: I. Chambers**
5. **Questions and Information Arising out of Minutes and not Otherwise on Agenda**
6. **Petitions and Delegations**
  - a) Joanie McGuffin – Lake Superior Watershed Conservancy – presentation done during Committee of Adjustments meeting (see 12 e for resolution)  
**Seconded by: I. Chambers**
7. **Reports from Staff**
  - a) Fire Chief report  
**Resolution: 2013-259**  
**Moved by: A. Zuccato**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby approves that the retired first response vehicle be scrapped, after removing the parts and tires that are needed, if there is not a buyer for it. (cd)  
**Seconded by: I. Chambers****Resolution: 2013-260**  
**Moved by: I. Chambers**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby accepts the Fire Chief report, as information. (cd)  
**Seconded by: R. Amadio**

  - b) Roads report – i) culvert permit ii) Hill Road iii) 2014 roads earmarked for paving  
**Resolution: 2013-261**  
**Moved by: R. Amadio**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby accepts the Road Superintendent's report, as information. (cd)  
**Seconded by: D. Gianni**

- Resolution: 2013-262**  
**Moved by: R. Amadio**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby approves the culvert permit for a 2<sup>nd</sup> entrance on Mountainview Drive, as requested. (cd)  
**Seconded by: D. Gianni**

  - c) Administrator – Small Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund  
**Resolution: 2013-263**  
**Moved by: A. Zuccato**  
Be it resolved that this Council hereby accepts the funding from the Ministry of Rural Affairs as indicated in the letter of October 10, 2013 to be used in relation to asset management as indicated. (cd)  
**Seconded by: I. Chambers**

  - d) Administrator – NOHFC funding approval (FYI)

- e) Administrator – Prince/City Bridge agreement – in principal  
**Resolution: 2013-264**  
**Moved by: I. Chambers**  
**Seconded by: D. Yann**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** agrees, in principal, with an arrangement between the City of Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township, whereby the reporting and the funds distribution, both from the Ministry and to the contractors, for the Mill bridge project will be handled by the City of Sault Ste. Marie and invoiced to Prince Township accordingly. (cd)
- f) Administrator – Expenditure - **\$142,547.48/Revenue - \$307,730.26** Reports October 2013  
**Resolution: 2013-265**  
**Moved by: A. Zuccato**  
**Seconded by: R. Amadio**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** accepts the October 2013 Expenditure report in the amount of \$142,547.46 and the October 2013 Revenue report in the amount of \$307,730.26, as information. (cd)
- 8. By-Laws**  
a) Official Plan Amendment # 3 – Lannigan October 28  
**Resolution: 2013-266**  
**Moved by: R. Amadio**  
**Seconded by: I. Chambers**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** passes By-Law 2013-37, being a by-law to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 3, changing the designation of the subject property known as Section 35 S PT PCL 10688 AWS RP 1R5145 PT 1 (2454 Base Line) from Rural Agricultural to Rural Agricultural with 'Special Exception'. (cd)
- b) Official Plan Amendment # 4 – Dig Holdings – December 2  
**Resolution: 2013-267**  
**Moved by: I. Chambers**  
**Seconded by: D. Yann**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** passes By-Law 2013-38, being a by-law to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 4, changing the designation of the subject property known as Sec 31 NW ¼ PT Prince Township. (End of Second Line West known as the Gros Cap Bluffs) from Shield to Shield with 'Special Exception'. (cd) (applies to the retained portion only)
- 9. Motions and Notices of Motions**  
a) OGRA/ROMA conference – February 2014  
**Resolution: 2013-268**  
**Moved by: I. Chambers**  
**Seconded by: D. Yann**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** approves the Reeve's attendance at the OGRA/ROMA (Ontario Good Roads Assoc./Rural Ontario Municipal Assoc.) conference in Toronto in February, 2014. (cd)
- b) Per Diem  
**Resolution: 2013-269**  
**Moved by: R. Amadio**  
**Seconded by: D. Yann**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** adopts a per diem rate for meals and expenses in the amount of \$50.00 with the breakdown of meals as follows:  
Breakfast 10.00  
Lunch 15.00  
Dinner 25.00  
If a meal is provided in the cost of registration, the per diem will be reduced by the corresponding meal. (cd)
- 10. Correspondence (for your information)**  
a) Algoma Public Health Unit – News update  
b) FONOM 0 stable Forestry Sector information  
**Resolution: 2013-270**  
**Moved by: A. Zuccato**  
**Seconded by: D. Yann**  
**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** accepts Correspondence items 10 (a–b), as information. (cd)
- 11. Minutes of Boards and Committees**  
a) SSM Police Services Board – Sept 24  
b) Prince Twp Library Board – October 2  
c) Prince Twp – Adhoc Park Committee Meeting – Oct. 9, 2013  
d) Friends of the Library – Financial Statement  
e) SSM Region Conservation Authority – Sept 17 and Sept 21

f) Parent Child Resource Centre – Financial Statement

**Resolution: 2013-271**

**Moved by: R. Amadio**

**Seconded by: D. Gianni**

**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** accepts the minutes of the Police Services Board for Sept 24, the report of the Friends of the Library, the minutes of the SSM Conservation Authority for Sept 17 and Sept 21 and the report of the Parent Child Resource Centre, as information. (cd)

**Resolution: 2013-272**

**Moved by: R. Amadio**

**Seconded by: I. Chambers**

**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** adopts the minutes of the Prince Township Library Board of October 2 and the Prince Township Adhoc Park Committee of October 9, as information. (cd)

**Resolution: 2013-273**

**Moved by: D. Gianni**

**Seconded by: A. Zuccato**

**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** names the park at the marina the Gros Cap Marina Park. (cd)

**Recorded vote: D. Gianni – Nay, A. Zuccato – Yea, K. Lamming – Yea, R. Amadio – Nay, I. Chambers - Yea**

**Resolution: 2013-274**

**Moved by: R. Amadio**

**Seconded by: A. Zuccato**

**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** approves the wording and format of two plaques for the park at the marina, as presented by the Adhoc Park Committee as follows:

“In honour of Bobbi Williamson (Bennett) for her years of dedicated service to this community and marina.”

“In honour of Mary Louise “Mugsy” Bennett and Bud Bennett for all the years of dedication and giving of oneself to the Gros Cap community as well as the ongoing supervision and support of the Marina and its benefactors.”

The plaques to be black, with raised lettering. (cd)

**12.**

**New Business** (will include motions for consideration)

a) Source Protection - \$25,000 available for plan or upgrades

**Resolution: 2013-275**

**Moved by: R. Amadio**

**Seconded by: D. Gianni**

**Be it resolved that this Council hereby** applies for the Source Protection funding allocated to this municipality; and

**Further be it resolved that this Council hereby** works collaboratively with the City of Sault Ste. Marie and the Conservation Authority to develop a plan for action for any spillage that might occur in the St. Mary’s River and entry into Lake Superior. (cd)

b) Prince Township Women’s Institute – request for favours – bags

**Resolution: 2013-276**

**Moved by: D. Gianni**

**Seconded by: R. Amadio**

**Whereas, the Prince Township Women’s Institute** has been an asset to this community for many years, and

**Whereas,** they will be hosting an area conference in 2014, and

**Whereas,** they have requested this council contribute to their conference packages;

**Now therefore be it resolved that this Council hereby approves** a budget of up to \$500 for the Women’s Institute conference packages. (cd)

c) Canadian Union of Postal Workers – request for support

DY - 2<sup>nd</sup> – stepping between union and employer – don’t feel we should be supporting union vs employer

**Resolution: 2013-277**

**Moved by: A. Zuccato**

**Seconded by: R. Amadio**

**WHEREAS** the federal government will look at how it handles public postal services with a review of the Canadian Postal Service Charter in 2014, and

**WHEREAS** Canada Post is preparing for the review by campaigning for major service cuts, and **WHEREAS** Canada Post has already dramatically cut service by closing or downsizing public post offices, eliminating rural mailbox delivery and removing street letter collection boxes, and

**Whereas** Canada Post and the federal government should do everything in its power to prevent additional cuts during the upcoming review, and instead deal with financial issues by adding revenue-generating services like many other post offices around the world, including lucrative financial services like bill payments, insurance and banking, and  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Corporation of the Township of Prince write a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post to request that the government consider innovative ways to generate postal revenue during the Charter review, including financial services like bill payments, insurance and banking. (cd)

**Resolution: 2013-278**

**Moved by: R. Amadio**

**Seconded by: I. Chambers**

**WHEREAS** the federal government will look at how it handles public postal services with a review of the Canadian Postal Service Charter in 2014, and  
**WHEREAS** the public has a right to have input on matters involving its publicly owned post office, and

**WHEREAS** the current Charter has a number of serious problems that need fixing, and

**WHEREAS** the government could use the Charter review to reduce our public post offices obligation to provide service (instead of improving the Charter) and even lay the groundwork for privatizing or deregulating the post office, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Corporation of the Township of Prince write a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post to request that 1) that the upcoming review of the Canadian Postal Service Charter be open to the public and 2) that the Charter be improved by:

- Ensuring that the moratorium on post office closures in small and rural communities protects the public nature of the post office
- Eliminating the exceptions to the moratorium
- Extending the consultation process over possible closures and making the process and moratorium more transparent
- Establishing an independent Canada Post ombudsperson to report on Canada Post's performance in meeting Charter expectations
- Establishing a reasonable, uniform and democratic process for making changes to the postal and delivery network (closures, downsizing, removal of rural mailboxes, etc.), but only after consultation with the public and other stakeholders. (Defeated)

d) North Bay and FONOM – resolution in favour of making Small Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund a permanent fund and work to develop a favourable formula

**Resolution: 2013-279**

**Moved by: D. Yanni**

**Seconded by: I. Chambers**

**WHEREAS** municipalities in Ontario have an estimated \$60 Billion, ten-year infrastructure gap between what they spend and need to spend to account for repairs, rehabilitation and new needs and municipalities cannot make it up alone; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2013 Ontario Budget announced a \$100 million Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund to help municipalities to invest in their critical infrastructure needs; and

**WHEREAS** this funding is proposed to become permanent in budget 2014; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministries of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure held consultations with municipalities and the session attended by the City of North Bay overwhelmingly indicated that municipalities preferred a formula-based approach to distribute the Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Program in 2013 and the future; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federation of Northeastern Ontario Municipalities has supported the Association of Municipalities of Ontario call for a predictable formula which will allow eligible municipalities across the province to invest in local infrastructure priorities; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2013 Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund announced by the Premier includes a \$71 million application-based competitive portion;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Prince calls upon the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Ministers of Infrastructure and Rural Affairs to: institute a formula-based funding approach for the permanent fund in the 2014 Budget; and to work with municipalities, representative municipal associations and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to develop this formula. (cd)

**FURTHERMORE**, that this resolution be sent to surrounding municipalities for their support and copied to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, FONOM, NOMA, ROMA and the Small Urban Municipal Association and the two opposition party leaders for their information. (cd)

