



**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF ESPANOLA**

**Council Chambers
Municipal Building**

**February 9, 2010
7:30pm**

His Worship Mayor Bernie Gagnon presiding.

Present:

Councillor Gillis, Lehoux, McMillan, Rogers, Rose
Staff: D. Polden, Deputy Clerk, J. MacKenzie, Clerk
Treasurer/Administrator, P. Roque, Recording Secretary

Absent:

Councillor Laabs – Out of Town

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

None

Public Hearings

None

Delegations/Petitions

None

PART 1

CONSENT AGENT

CA-003-10 T. Rogers – M. Lehoux

Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F4 contained in Part 1, Consent Agenda be adopted.

Carried

Items A1-A2

Minutes

10-021 M. Lehoux – T. Rogers

The following minutes of Council are hereby accepted; Special Meeting of Council of January 26, 2010; Regular Meeting of Council of January 26, 2010.

Carried

Items B1

Board and Committee

Reports

10-022 T. Rogers – J. Rose

Be It Resolved That: The following Board and Committee minutes are hereby accepted; Community Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting of January 21, 2010.

Carried

A discussion ensued regarding the new Laclache Chamber of Commerce. The Mayor would like to have a Staff representative attend the Chamber meetings. It does not have to be the same Staff member all the time, agenda items can determine who represents the municipality.

Matters arising from the “In Camera Session”

None

Business Arising from Board and Committee

Item E1
Confirmatory Bylaw

10-023 J. Rose – T. Rogers

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2238/10 be now read a first time and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of procedure be considered as having been read a second and third time and finally passed in open council. Being a confirmatory bylaw of Council.

Carried

Item E2
Cheque Register

10-024 T. Rogers – M. Lehoux

Be It Resolved That: Cheques numbered 72201 to 72376 is approved in the amount of \$493,352.90.

Carried

Item F1 –F5
Reports

10-025 M. Lehoux – T. Rogers

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received: Economic Development Departmental Report for January 2010; POA Department Departmental Report for January 2010; Public Works Department Complaint Log Book Summary for 2009; Employee Requisition Form; Promotional Items Summary for 2009.

Carried

PART II
REGULAR AGENDA

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item G1
Short Line Railway from
Sault Ste. Marie to
Sudbury

10-026 T. Rogers – M. Lehoux

Be It Resolved That: Council of the Town of Espanola supports the efforts of Joseph M. Fratesi Chair of the Working Committee and the HCR Stakeholders Committee. Council urges the provincial and federal governments to support the funding proposals for capital upgrades to the 288km railway between Sault Ste, Marie and Sudbury by approving applications to the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and the Build Canada Fund Major Infrastructure Component in the amount of \$33 Million.

Carried

Council is in full support of this resolution. Staff was directed to prepare a letter to the Ministry of Transportation supporting the rail line in order to maintain the safety on our highways and maintain the infrastructure.

Item G2
Street Lights on Barber
Street Phase 1A

Be It Resolved That: Council allocate the necessary resources in the 2010 Budget to relocate street lights and wires to match previous Municipal initiatives, within the boundaries of Phase 1A of the Infrastructure Renewal Program.

Deferred

Item deferred pending a meeting between the Manager of Public Works and Espanola Regional Hydro.

Item G3
Sound Booth Admittance

10-028 F. Gillis – J. McMillan
Be It Resolved That: Policy #R01-01582, admittance to PA booth be approved.

Carried

Item G4
ASi Technologies

10-029 J. McMillan – F. Gillis
The Town of Espanola enter into an agreement with ASi Technologies Inc. to be licenced to use the “Mr. Compliance” software and for them to provide all software maintenance.

Carried

Item G5
Orthophotography

10-030 F. Gillis – J. McMillan
Be It Resolved That: A letter of intent for the orthophotography project be submitted. This project to subject to 2010 budget.

Carried

Item G6
Regular Council Meeting

10-031 J. McMillan – F. Gillis
Be It Resolved That: The Regular Council Meeting of February 23, 2010 be cancelled.

Carried

Correspondence For Information Only

None

Information

This information was previously circulated to Council. If required a copy of the information is available at the Municipal Office.

- FCM Member’s Advisory re: Municipal Expertise
- Memo re: Espanola Care Van
- Information re: Summer Ice

A discussion ensued regarding summer ice and the decision to make the ice available for August 17, 2010. Council agreed that the costs involved and the wear and tear on the equipment to put ice in, in July is just not feasible at this time. Staff time will be allocated to other areas as preventive maintenance, building repairs and cleaning.

Conference and Conventions

2010 ROMA/OGRA Combined Conference – February 21 – 24, 2010.

Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements,

Espanola Winter Carnival Council expressed their thanks for Staff and community participation at the 2010 Espanola Winter Carnival. Councillor Gillis expressed his disappointment in the attendance to the Friday night event.

eWaste The Mayor acknowledged a new local business. EarthCare eWaste is now operating from a location on Barber Street. They recycle electronic waste.

Succession Planning Councillor McMillan requested a report for the next Corporate Services Committee Meeting outlining the steps for the succession of the Clerk Treasurer/Administrator. Council agreed.

Local Athlete Council congratulated Caroline Ehrhardt, a local high school Olympic hopeful. An assembly was held at the Espanola High School honouring the student as she signed her official acceptance at Oklahoma University.

Future Council Meetings

Community Services Meeting of February 16, 2010 at 7:00 pm
Corporate Services Meeting of March 2, 2010 at 4:30 pm

Adjournment

F. Gillis – J. McMillan

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned.
Time 8:15 pm

Carried

Bernie Gagnon
Mayor

Dianne Polden
Deputy Clerk