



### **COMMITTEE and/or STAFF REPORTS:**

Councillor Jessup provided Council with a verbal report regarding the Murchison & Lyell Recreation Committee which addressed the following: upcoming recreation events; budget submission; collection of information for Municipal Performance Measures. Possible resolution to this time consuming work (data collection) would be the creation of a standard form for the collection of the information on an on-going basis instead of at year end.

Councillor Jessup provided Council with a verbal report regarding the Human Resources & Administration Committee Meeting which addressed the following: Public Works Job Descriptions for Council's approval. Information deferred to the February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Council Meeting.

Councillor Jessup follow-up on the current Health & Safety Training Session conducted by Clerk H. Luckasavitch - thirteen (13) employees in attendance with the completion of five (5) Health & Safety Policies.

Councillor Florent advised that a hard copy of the January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Roads/Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes had been provided to Staff for the inclusion in Council's next correspondence package.

Councillor Harper provided Council with a written and verbal report regarding the South Algonquin Public Library which addressed the following: CAP student program; advertising of meetings & agendas; First Aid, CPR & WHMIS training; library operation; CAP student report; and January Stats for the Madawaska Branch.

Councillor Harper provided Council with a written and verbal report regarding the South Algonquin Fire Departments which addressed the following: First Aid Kit & Workplace inspections being completed; problems encountered when using the dam area as a designated filling location for fire trucks; installation of a dry hydrant system; fire education courses; carbon monoxide testing.

Councillor Ogilvie provided Council with a written and verbal report regarding the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) which addressed the following: election of the Chair and Vice-Chair for the year and the selection by Board Members of Task Forces they wish to work on in 2009; Councillor Ogilvie's chosen Task Forces – Ontario Works, Emergency Medical Services and Community Housing Services also attending the Best Start Activities; proposed reduction in the municipal share of the DNSSAB budget; Madawaska and Whitney Best Start Program update.

Councillor Dumas provided Council with a verbal report/update regarding the purpose of the Official Plan Committee: develop a plan to proceed with this committee and the appointment of its member; importance of communication - communicating to public and providing regular updates regarding the Official Plan; no problem with the proposed budget.

Mayor Bresnahan provided Council with a verbal report regarding the Community Policing Advisory Committee Meeting (CPAC) which addressed the following: use of tasers by OPP officers and the health effects on suspects/individuals; appointment of Colin Slight as new Staff Sergeant for the Killaloe Detachment.

Works Superintendent/Chief Building Official G. Dunn presented Council with a written and verbal report which outlined/addressed the following: Highway Traffic Act – Hours of Work Regulation 555/06; winter maintenance to Highway 60 bridge walkway/sidewalk; storage of surplus materials; Madawaska Rink Attendant – temporary replacement; road plowing and tree cleanup for February 14, 2009 Fishing for Kids; use of outdoor skating rinks on Family Day, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

### **CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION ITEMS:**

Item #1 Ministry of Transportation (MTO) dated January 26, 2009 re: Catwalk on Whitney Bridge, Highway 60. Clerk H. Luckasavitch was directed to draft a response indicating that the Township was not interested in taking over the responsibility clearing the snow from the catwalk on the Whitney Bridge.

Item #2 Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) dated January 20, 2009 re: Request for Expressions of interest for Crown Wood Supply in Ontario. Information to be forwarded to the local lumber mills.

Item #3 Thomson/Rogers dated January 20, 2009 re: Consultation Process for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities. Deferred to the February 19, 2009 meeting for discussion.

Item #4 Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) dated January 28, 2009 re: Endangered Species Act Information Session, Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the Faraday Community Centre. Councillor Dumas to attend.

### **MOTIONS OF COUNCIL:**

**Moved by: D. Harper**

**Seconded by: J. Dumas**

**Res. #09-061**

**“WHEREAS** both the Provincial and Federal Governments have pledged vast amounts of financial aid and other benefits to help industries weather the current downturn in our economy **AND WHEREAS** the Township of South Algonquin depends not only on the Forest Industry but to a large extent on Tourism as well, to maintain the social and economic stability within our



