

THE TOWNSHIP OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOKH AND RAGLAN

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan held on May 12, 2014 at the Municipal Office located in Palmer Rapids - Ontario at 7:00 pm to discuss Fire Department issues.

Present were: Reeve, **Norman Lentz**
Councillor, **Trevor Lidtkie**
Councillor, **Steven Jessup**
Councillor, **Garry Gruntz**
Councillor, **Heather Phanenhour**

Staff Present: Michelle Mantifel, **Clerk-Treasurer**

Public: 41 members of the public
Christine Hudder, The Valley Gazette

1. The Meeting was called to order by Reeve, **Norman Lentz**.
2. PECUNIARY INTERESTS – None
3. BUSINESS
 - i. The Palmer Rapids Fire Hall requested a meeting with Council to discuss recent events.

Hall Chief Rob Stein informed Council that he had concerns with what occurred at the Special Council meeting on May 1st. He was also concerned that the Fire Department presently does not have a Fire Chief, Deputy Chief and sufficient training officers. The members were also concerned that only one person responded to the last fire call as this was a health and safety issue.

A discussion was held about how the next fire chief and deputy chief should be chosen.

Councillor **Gruntz** moved that Chris Voldock be appointed as Acting Fire Chief. The motion was not seconded.

It was decided that the Fire Department should decide who the Fire Chief and Deputy Chief would be. The meeting recessed to allow the Fire Department members time to discuss who should be appointed as Acting Fire Chief and Acting Deputy Fire Chief. The meeting resumed at 8:00 pm. One member of the fire department returned his pager and key and left the meeting. The members recommended that Chris Voldock be appointed as Fire Chief and Jordan Genrick be appointed as Deputy Chief. They also recommended that the appointments be permanent and not “acting”. Both members were willing to accept the positions.

Resolution # 1

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Garry Gruntz**

“THAT Council appoints Chris Voldock as Fire Chief and Jordan Genrick as Deputy Fire Chief.”

Carried.

The Master Fire Plan was discussed. The goal is to have a realistic plan that unites the fire department, is compliant with regulations and is within budget.

- ii. The events of the May 1st meeting were discussed and it was agreed that the meeting was not conducted in a professional manner. It was also agreed that the scenarios for the Fire Department Master Plan would not be discussed at the May 15, 2014, Regular Council Meeting due to the appointment of the new Fire Chief and Deputy Chief. Council would also like the four halls involved in the planning process.

The Regular Council Meeting May 15, 2014 will be held at the Palmer Rapids Community Centre and the Reeve will chair the meeting.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # 2

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT this meeting adjourn at 8:30 pm.”

Carried.

Reeve, Norman Lentz

Clerk, Michelle Mantifel