

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, May 7, 2010				Report Date	Wednesday, May 4, 2010			
Decision Required		Yes	X	No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction Only		Information Only		x	Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

REPORT TITLE
Clerk's Report - For Information Only 07/05/10/201

1. Water filters have been installed. The water in the hall is now potable. There is also a separate spout at the kitchen sink by the window which has a special filter to make the water more palatable. Once we have begun a system of testing and return two good samples in a row, we will no longer need posting or bottled water. We have been having some challenges with the filter – large amount of silt causing it to clog frequently. Plan to monitor and contact provider for additional assistance.
2. Pauline has resigned from the hall caretaker position; I will have it posted on-line with a small ad in the NRT likely by next week.
3. The grading issue was returned to my desk where I created a tender document similar to that used for the snowplow contract. It was my fault that the original tender was not originally completed in this manner as I did not think that it would warrant that much detail for such a short term arrangement. I was wrong. It has been corrected. The contract has been awarded to Monty Stewart for a three year term for a price of \$90 per hour for all three years. We received one other completed bid from John Stewart Forest Products. Pat Stewart did not bid on this contract.
4. Tax Sales have been successfully completed with all documents registered and submitted to the proper authorities.
5. Driftwood's new Supervisor, Keith Mewitt, has been advised of the new tipping fees and fee schedule. I have recommended to him that Carol will total the number of loads per month and an invoice will be forwarded to them for payment. Am awaiting his response. Ruth suggested a system whereby Driftwood staff sign a duplicate tipping slip each time material is dropped off so that there are two copies for record purposes.
6. May Madness, we have a number of items that we are to sell as they are obsolete, no longer needed. They are in various states of repair but may be of interest to someone. If they are not, they will be collected by the recycler. Do I have authorization to donate the proceeds of these articles to the library, or should we simply return any proceeds to general revenue, less the 10% that would be the library's – smoke eaters, stove, floor polisher, trophy display cabinet, various old electronics (printers, word processor).
7. Canada Day Celebrations – It is my understanding that this will now fall on employees? Need clarification. Note in minutes that Bob Reid will not be available on that day, does that also mean that you are not able to coordinate and organize? Staff being responsible for activities will require compensation on a statutory holiday unless they volunteer their time as residents.

8. Have confirmed with Norm Lemke that a closed session meeting regarding the Algonquin Land Claim, Municipal Advisory Committee will occur Monday, June 28, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Township Office. Should any individual member of Council not be available for that time, they are welcome to attend one of the other sessions that will be held in the County; we simply need to inform Norm.

The meeting will last approximately 3 hours, will provide an update on negotiations and will set out a base for further consultation. Norm will provide details of terms, definitions, and taxation etc. prior to each municipality (or groups thereof) entering into negotiations about specific lands. It appears that resolution of this issue is imminent and this meeting is in preparation of eventual settlement.

9. Roads. Dave Darch and Steve Boland performed a road tour with Terry on May 5 and are to forward a report for council consideration with their recommendations. They have volunteered their assistance with tenders and any other administrative challenges we might have as it relates to roads. They have offered to come up to Council meeting to explain their recommendations and make some further suggestions for implementation.
10. Taxation. The county has passed their by-law setting their rates for 2010. Ruth and Tracy have worked through a preliminary by-law for us, will review and likely have ready by next meeting. After rates are frozen in OPTA, June 30, computer systems will be updated with new assessment data, input new rates and bills can be mailed. All things going as planned (OPTA must wait until every municipality within the county correctly enters their data) billing dates for 2010 should remain at July 31 and October 31.