

The minutes of the regular meeting of Dawson Township Council and held on Wednesday October 3rd 2024 at 7 pm in the Municipal Office.

PRESENT Mayor D Hartnell. Councillors: B Langner, C Larocque, L Kempf & B Sands.
Clerk-Treasurer: P W Giles. Road Supt/Fire Chief Randy Asselin.

MINUTES #24-67 LANGNER & KEMPF & CARRIED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on September 4th 2024, be approved as printed.

ACCOUNTS #24-68 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that the accounts in the amount of \$175,659.57 and representing disbursements for the month September 2024, be approved for payment.

CANOE #24-69 SANDS & LANGNER & CARRIED that Council authorizes the enrolment in the Canoe Procurement Group of Canada. This is to allow the municipality to participate in a procurement program that can lower the costs of goods and services.

OTHER The Rd Supt reported on roads and drains, the 720grader shifting module was repaired by Kupila's, the signage for speed reduction on Oak Grove Rd is being placed and a by-law will be passed to enact the speed reduction base on evidence, the replacement of the lights in the garage has been completed. Public works garage doors need repairs and openers, a new generator is required for the landfill site, brushing continues on drains, one public works employee is to take training for brush spraying and the municipality will continue to look for a tractor and mower to roadside maintenance. The Rd Supt is to ensure that the requests for proposals for gravel in 2025 is sought early in the year. The fire department responded to a house fire in Lake of the Woods, the pumper tests have been completed. The well house project is nearing completion as we await hydro hookup. The Clerk-Treasurer reported on property taxes outstanding balance, the next fire meeting, a budget update, the contractor has completed construction on the Krahn Drain, an onsite meeting for the new branch of the Rempel Drain was held with affected property owners, the annual library reporting has been completed. The 2025 OCIF allocation will be \$100,000. Councillor Kempf reported the recent OPP detachment board meeting and administrative setup for the board. Mayor Hartnell reported on the RRDMA meeting and presentations on DRRSB and ambulance service level cuts due to a lack of personnel and the situation with clinic and ER coverage at Rainy River Hospital. The RRDMA is sending letters to the Minister of Health seeking assistance in ensuring doctor coverage in Rainy River. Councillor Langner gave an update on the DRRSB. A notice of seeking a CBO is to be placed on our website and face book page.

ADJOURN #24-70 SANDS & LAROCQUE & CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk