

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALNWICK/HALDIMAND  
REGULAR MINUTES OF THURSDAY, JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2009 – 1:00 P.M.**

Council met in Regular Session on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers with Mayor William Finley presiding.

**Members Present:** Mayor William Finley  
Deputy Mayor Dalton McDonald  
Councillors: Raymond Bennis  
Bill Holmes  
Art Jeninga  
Cathie Ritchie

**Members Absent with Notification:** Councillor Walter Broegelmann

**Staff Present:** Terrence Korotki, Clerk/Administrator  
Robin van de Moosdyk, Deputy Clerk  
David Wright, Fire Chief (absent without notification)  
Cam Ward, Public Works Superintendent  
Mike Godin, CBO/MBEO  
Bernadette Murray, Administrative Assistant

**Others Present:** Jim Burns, resident  
Betty Carruthers, resident  
Rosemarie Robins, resident arrived at 1:31 p.m.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Finley called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR FALLEN SOLDIERS**

**II. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

Councillor Ritchie declared a pecuniary interest with respect to By-Law No. 02-2009 as it pertains to the Land Transfer/Conveyance to the road allowance immediately in front of her and her husband's property.

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS CIRCULATED**

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Ritchie;  
Resolution #2009-01

"Be it resolved that the Agenda as circulated for the Regular Session of the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand of Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009, be approved. CARRIED."

**IV. TREASURY/FINANCE DEPARTMENT-1:04 P.M.:**

Financial Reports – Voucher Nos. 61, 62 and 63:

Moved by Councillor Ritchie, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-02

"Be it resolved that the Financial Accounts – Voucher #61, 62, and 63, be approved as follows:

**Voucher # 61**

General	in the amount	\$ <u>300.00</u>	\$ 300.00
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**Voucher # 62**

General	in the amount	\$ 107,714.78	
Public Works	in the amount	\$ 8,922.20	
Fire Dept	in the amount	\$ <u>1,141.29</u>	\$117,778.27

**Voucher # 63**

General	in the amount	\$ 39,267.46	
Public Works	in the amount	\$ 99,838.91	
Fire Dept	in the amount	\$ <u>1,126.67</u>	\$140,233.04

**TOTAL**

**\$258,311.31  
CARRIED."**

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- 1:10 P.M.:**

Regular Council Minutes of November 19, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-03

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Session held on November 19, 2008, be adopted. CARRIED."

Regular Council Minutes of December 4, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-04

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Session held on December 4, 2008, be adopted. CARRIED."

**VI. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES – 1:44 P.M.:**

Hamlet of Lakeport – Private Water Supply Questionnaire Summary Report dated July 2008.

(NOTE: THIS ITEM WAS PROVIDED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS ON DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2008 REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION – Please bring to this meeting for discussion).

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Bennis;  
Resolution #2009-05

"Be it the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand accepts the Report submitted pertaining to the survey results for the Private Water Supply Questionnaire dated July 2008; and further that the first two pages of the report and a covering letter be forwarded to the 54 responding/participating residents of the Hamlet of Lakeport for their perusal and information. CARRIED."

As requested by Deputy Mayor McDonald the Letter from the Lower Trent Conservation Authority dated November 17, 2008 RE: Re-survey of the Alnwick/Haldimand Lake Ontario Shoreline Erosion Monitoring Stations, has been brought forward for further discussion.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, Seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald;  
Resolution #2009-06

"Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand direct the Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki to invite Mr. Jim Kelleher and Anne Anderson of the Lower Trent Conservation Authority to attend the Regular Council Session to be held on February 05, 2009 to discuss the proposed Budget/Municipal Levy and the Shoreline Erosion and Monitoring Stations. CARRIED."

**VII. MIKE GODIN, C.B.O., BUILDING DEPARTMENT- 1:24 P.M.**

**Building Department Update Report dated January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

1. Partial refund cheques have been issued for Lots 10 and 11, the entrance damage deposit portion will be with held until the springtime when a thorough inspection of the culvert can be made.

2. The Property Standard files that Council directed action to be taken have had letters sent by registered and regular mail. Only one response has been received. Therefore, I will be making arrangements for compliance at end of January.
3. Roseneath Garage ~ I had sent, via registered and regular mail, a notice violation and a requirement to clean up the mess on or before January 31<sup>st</sup> 2009. The registered mail package has been returned to this office. I will now make arrangements, for council's information, for an estimate to clean up.
4. I have been informed of two instances of active construction without any permit being applied for or purchased.
  - a. Mr. Falkenburg, registered and regular mail notices have been sent, no reply as yet.
  - b. Mr. Behnan/Ms. Cassagnol has converted a barn into living quarters. Registered and regular mail notices have been sent, no reply received as yet.
5. Further professional training;
  - a. Provincial Certification for Building Officials/Inspectors ~ one 5 day course at \$525.00 +travel/meals/accommodations to cover small buildings. An additional five courses, similar fees, to have total certification to cover all buildings.
  - b. Ontario Association of Property Standards Officers ~ three 5 day courses at \$ 875.00 (inclusive of accommodations/meals) the first week is required with a possible challenge exam to exempt additional courses.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-07

"Be it resolved that that a summary of all correspondence and actions that are required to be taken with respect to the outstanding issues presently existing within Phase I of the Shearer Point Estates Subdivision, be prepared by Mr. Mike Godin, Chief Building Official/By-Law Enforcement Officer in conjunction with Mr. Garth Watson, Municipal Engineer and Terrence Korotki, Clerk/Administrator; and further that this summary be presented at the Regular Council Meeting to be held on January 21, 2009. CARRIED."

**Development Charges Increase Adjustment:**

Councillor Holmes was of the opinion that the maximum increase be COLA (Cost of Living Allowance) at 2.5 percent or no increase at all.

Councillor Jeninga concurred with an increase equal to COLA at 2.5 percent.

Council Ritchie advised that she was abstaining.

Deputy Mayor McDonald advised he would be agreeable to the increase equal to COLA at 2.5 percent.

Councillor Benns concurred with the 2.5 COLA increase for the Development Charges Fee for the year 2009.

Mayor Finley was also agreeable to the COLA increase of 2.5 percent for the Development Charges Fee for 2009.

It was noted that a resolution would be brought forward on the next Regular Session Agenda to address the 2009 Development Charges Fee increase of 2.5 percent (COLA) Cost of Living Allowance.

Councillor Holmes requested an update with respect to Pinnacle Park.

Councillor Benns requested an update with respect to Grasshopper Island illegal construction.

**VIII. CAM WARD, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT – 1:58 P.M.**

Municipal Public Works Department Report as submitted by Mr. Cam Ward, Public Works Superintendent.

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- Work on Canning Factory Road and Brooks Lane has been put on hold until spring.
- Almost the entire month of December was spent snowplowing and sanding. We have used approximately 70% of our sand to date and plan to refill both domes in the first part of January 2009.
- Our regular part-time plow operators (Phil Nelson and John Noonan) returned on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Our other two part-time plow operators are on stand-by for the remainder of the winter season.
- The Public Works Department has experienced numerous equipment breakdowns this winter. The backhoe in the north shop is currently under going transmission and rear end repair work. It has been out of service for three weeks. No. 9 has been out of service for two weeks with a cracked cylinder head. No. 10 was out of service for one week with rear end problems. We did manage to borrow a plow from the County of Northumberland, which really helped out for about one week.

Councillor Jeninga commented that the above matter is a budget item and should be addressed during the budget deliberations. He also stated that the five-year Capital Plan for Equipment has not been adhered to with respect to purchases and should also be discussed during the budget discussions for the 2009 year. Councillor Jeninga noted that purchases should be made on need not a want basis.

- Warm temperatures and rain caused a few flooding problems on December 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. All damage was repaired the same day. All three graders and two crews patching were out on December 29<sup>th</sup> to get over as many roads as possible before they froze.

Councillor Ritchie requested an update with respect to Macklin Road the proposed traffic signs. Mr. Ward advised that additional advisory and chevron signs have been installed at the sharp bend/curve on Macklin Road, together with a 20 km/hr sign.

Councillor Ritchie questioned as to whether the by-law to provide for authority to be given to the Public Works Superintendent to temporarily close roads at his discretion was ever certified and circulated. The Clerk/Administrator and Deputy Clerk stated that to the best of their knowledge the by-law was passed, endorsed, certified and circulated. However, confirmation of this action will be conducted.

It was requested that the Public Works Superintendent and the Fire Chief compile a listing of all surplus equipment; and further that recommendations be provided as to the method of sale/release for each piece of equipment will be handled and by whom.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Bennis;  
Resolution #2009-08

"Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand authorize the removal of the Manitoba maple, which is located at the (north side) or front of the Alnwick Civic Centre; and further that the Alnwick Civic Centre Board of Management provide their written approval and acceptance of this action to Council at their earliest convenience, in order to have the Public Works Superintendent proceed with this directive. CARRIED."

- Rail crossing report attached.

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Deputy Mayor McDonald;  
Resolution #2009-09

"Be it resolved that the Public Works Department Report dated January 2008, as submitted by Cam Ward, Public Works Superintendent, be received and filed. CARRIED."

2:10 p.m. – Mr. Mike Browning and Marlene Smith RE: Road Repairs/Renewals.

Mr. Browning and Ms. Smith entered the Council Chambers at 1:57 p.m.

Mr. Browning presented his written report to Council, as follows: "Thank you for allowing our delegation to present this request. In 2005 and 2006, a group of residents from Roseneath Landing attended council meetings and submitted written requests to address the condition of our roads. After your road tour in the Spring of 2007, Roseneath Landing Road from County Road 45 to County Road 18 was completely rebuilt. An excellent job was done and is much appreciated by all the users and the residents. Also, during the summer of 2007, large temporary repair patches were made on both Grandview Drive and Wideview. We had expected major repair work was going to continue the following year, 2008. However, only after more requests from the residents on Lakebreeze temporary work was done, repairing the culvert and the intersection of Lakebreeze and Grandview. Following these repairs, there was also temporary patching and water control. The potholes are patched frequently but continue to reappear quickly. We feel that a permanent repair program is now absolutely necessary. This would also be cost effective, minimizing continuous temporary repairs. We would like you to consider our request for major rebuilding as the roads in the Landing are approximately 35 years old and in poor condition. Is there a program in place for this work to upgrade our roads in 2009? We understand that the Township has received a major infrastructure grant from the Province as we sincerely hope that Roseneath Landing will be included in your roads program this year."

Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-10

"Be it resolved that the request as submitted by Mr. Mike Browning on behalf of the residents of the Roseneath Landing, dated January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009, for repairs to the roads within the Roseneath Landing, be deferred to the 2009 Municipal Budget deliberations. CARRIED."

**IX. DAVID WRIGHT, CHIEF, VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2:15 P.M.**

Councillor Jeninga noted that the Minutes of the Chiefs Meetings are to be completed for each meeting and circulated to Members of Council on a Regular Session agenda, of which was omitted from the December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008 Regular Council Session Minutes.

**Alnwick/Haldimand Fire & Rescue Report dated December 2008**

-Training meetings with Chief's meetings were suspended over the Christmas holidays, therefore no reports are available for this time period.

-Bob Jenkins is now doing base operations for the department. Enrolled as any other firefighter and covered by Municipal Liability insurance even from his home just the same as any other firefighter.

-Safety checks for vehicles are now completed for all stations.

-We need to send out invoicing for First Nations fire protection services and the County of Northumberland Forest, of which is always completed in April of each Year.

Goals that need to be completed or started for the department:

Project	% complete
a) Comprehensive emergency plans for high risks	30
b) Risk Assessment for the Municipality	100
c) Master Plan for the development of the department	10
d) M.I.F.P.I.S.S. for the O.F.M. Office	100
e) Bench Marking as legislated	25
f) Building audits for all non-residential buildings	10
g) Public Relations seminars and education	on-going
h) Reaching N.F.P.A. standards for hose, ladders, pumps, etc.	8
i) Proper documentation of secured training records	100
j) Fire inspections all of public assemblies/properties	95
k) Recruit training program	on-going

To date we have responded to 282 calls compared to 304 calls in the same time period in 2007, this is a decrease of 8 percent from last year.

The responses this month were to: (4) Motor Vehicle Collisions  
(8) Ambulance Assists  
(1) Fire and Alarms  
(2) Power Lines down and Alarms

The fire apparatus arrived first on scene for five (5) of the medical assist ahead of the ambulance.

Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Ritchie;  
Resolution #2009-11

"Be it resolved that the Alnwick/Haldimand Fire Rescue Report dated December 2008, as submitted by Fire Chief David Wright, be received and filed.

CARRIED."

The Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki is directed to provide an update of the existing process for Motor Vehicle Accidents on the 401, as well as, to implement a Policy and Procedure for the purpose of cost recovery (insurance claims) for non-resident Motor Vehicle Accidents within the municipal boundaries in which the Fire Department has been in attendance. The Chief and District Chiefs are to be directly involved during the establishment and implementation stage of this process.

Alnwick/Haldimand Fire & Rescue, Municipally Owned Road MVA – 2008 as prepared and submitted by Dianne Nicholls, Administrative Assistant December 5, 2008.

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Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Deputy Mayor McDonald;  
Resolution #2009-12

“Be it resolved that the Alnwick/Haldimand Fire & Rescue, Municipally Owned Road MVA – 2008 as prepared and submitted by Dianne Nicholls, Administrative Assistant December 5, 2008, be received and filed. CARRIED.”

It was directed that the Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki schedule a meeting to discuss the existing process in which MVA claims for Highway 401 are handled and submitted for reimbursement to the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario.

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-13

“That the Clerk/Administrator Terrence Korotki arrange a meeting with all personnel involved in the processing of MVA (Motor Vehicle Accidents) incidents on Highway # 401, including, Councillor Bennis, Dianne Nicholls, David Wright, Fire Chief, and possibly a representative from the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario and the Ontario Provincial Police, to discuss and ensure that a functional process is implemented for the submission and reimbursement of all eligible claims. CARRIED.”

**X. DELEGATIONS – 2:35 P.M.:**

Neil Hannam, Executive Officer, Campbellford Hospital Foundation and Chair of the Capital Campaign and Don Pearson (Assistant) – Financial Assistance

Don Pearson provided a description of current fundraising efforts concerning the “CT Scanner” for the Campbellford Hospital. The goal is to provide the opportunity to get CT scans for people within the County of Northumberland.

Neil Hannam stated that the Campbellford Hospital want to be a tertiary center like Cobourg and Peterborough and by having a local CT scan in Campbellford they would be able to provide quick diagnosis for residents throughout Northumberland. This would be a benefit to all residents; they would be able to treat any health problem coming in the door and would be able to reduce transfer of patients to other facilities.

The Campbellford Hospital is not currently in a deficit position and they have recently acquired a new doctor.

Councillor Jeninga questioned the yearly cost for patient transfers and Mr. Hannam advised it costs approximately \$250,000.00 per year.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Deputy MacDonald;  
Resolution #2009-14

“Be it resolved that the financial request, in the amount \$40,000.00 for the year 2009, from the Campbellford Hospital Foundation, as presented by Mr. Neil Hannam and Mr. Don Pearson, be deferred to Municipal Budget deliberations for 2009 for consideration. CARRIED.”

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS – 2:55 P.M.:**

Alnwick/Haldimand Heritage Committee meeting of December 2, 2008

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Bennis;  
Resolution #2009-15

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Alnwick/Haldimand Heritage Committee meeting of December 2, 2008, be approved. CARRIED."

Alnwick/Haldimand Police Services Board meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 25, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Ritchie;  
Resolution #2009-16

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Alnwick/Haldimand Police Services Board meeting of November 25, 2008, be received and filed. CARRIED."

Roseneath Recreation Committee meeting Minutes of November 11, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-17

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Roseneath Recreation Committee of November 11, 2008, be approved. CARRIED."

Alnwick/Haldimand Community Policing Committee meeting Minutes of November 17, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-18

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Alnwick/Haldimand Community Policing Committee meeting of November 17, 2008, be approved. CARRIED."

Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority meeting Minutes of December 11, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-19

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority meeting of December 11, 2008, be received and filed. CARRIED."

Lower Trent Conservation Authority Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2008

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-20

"Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Lower Trent Conservation Authority meeting Minutes of December 10, 2008, be received and filed. CARRIED."

**XII. COMMUNICATION (COUNCIL ACTION) – 3:00 P.M.:**

Email from Amy Griffiths, Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority dated December 11, 2008 RE: Ontario Nature Conservation Awards Nominations.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Benns;  
Resolution #2009-21

"Be it resolved that the email from Amy Griffiths of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority dated December 11, 2008 requesting nominations for the Ontario Nature Conservation Awards, be deferred to the Regular Session scheduled on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009. CARRIED."

Letter from Mr. Robert Clark, Clark Consulting Services dated December 5, 2008 RE: Indexed calculations for the Annual review of the Development Charges.

Moved by Deputy Mayor McDonald, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-22

"Be it resolved that the letter as received from Mr. Clark, Clark Consulting Services dated December 5, 2008 be received and filed; and further that the indexed calculations be completed by Mr. Mike Godin, Chief Building Official/By-Law Enforcement Officer for submission and review by Council at the January 21, 2009 Regular Council Session; and further that the required by-law be prepared to approve the indexed calculations for the Development Charges for the year 2009. CARRIED."

Review of the Established Fees and Charges for services which are provided by the Municipality and to provide for interest and penalty thereon (NOTE: THIS MATTER WAS DEFERRED FROM THE NOVEMBER 19, 2008 REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION. DOES COUNCIL WISH TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE AT A BUDGET MEETING?)

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**By-Law No. 05-2009 -** Being a by-law to Establish and Prescribed Fees and Charges for services provided by the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand and to provide for interest charges and penalties thereon.

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Moved by Councillor Ritchie, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;

"Be it resolved that **By-Law No. 05-2009**, being a by-law to Establish and Prescribed Fees and Charges for services provided by the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand and to provide for interest charges and penalties thereon; and further that the Official Plan Mapping fee be amended to read \$15.00, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2009. CARRIED."

Letter from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario dated December 12, 2008 RE: Response from Council's letter pertaining to the Provincial Farm Tax Policy.

Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Deputy Mayor McDonald;  
Resolution #2009-23

"Be it resolved that the Letter from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario dated December 12, 2008 providing a response from Council's letter pertaining to the Provincial Farm Tax Policy, be received and filed. CARRIED."

Letter from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation dated December 12, 2008 RE: Current Value Interpretation.

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Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-24

"Be it resolved that the Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki, invite Mrs. Christine Burden of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to attend the Regular Council Session scheduled on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

CARRIED."

Letter from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation dated December 15, 2008 RE: 2008 Assessment Update.

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Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Ritchie;  
Resolution #2009-25

"Be it resolved that the letter from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation dated December 15, 2008 regarding the 2008 Assessment Update, be discussed during the meeting scheduled with Mrs. Burden as noted previously in these minutes.

CARRIED."

Letter from the Municipality of Clarington dated December 9, 2008 RE: Lottery Licensing – Request for Process Streamlining.

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Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-26

"Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand support the resolution passed by the Municipality of Clarington requesting that the Province Streamline the Lottery Licensing Process and Reporting Process; and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Dalton McQuinty, M.P.P. Northumberland Lou Rinaldi, and the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

CARRIED."

Cost of Living Allowance Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-27

"Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand approve an increase of 2.50 percent cost of living allowance (COLA) for all full-time employees of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand commencing as at January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009; and further that the Municipal Treasurer is to amend accordingly, the COLA adjustment on the Salary Grid Placement for the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand.

CARRIED."

**BREAK 3:12 p.m. to 3:27 p.m.**

3:28 p.m. – Update on Councillor Broegelman's – Status as Member of Council

The Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki provided the options which are stated in the Municipal Act 2001, as amended, pertaining to the filling of a vacancy on Council.

It was the consensus of Council that an individual be appointed in order to fill the vacant seat on Council, following the receipt of an official letter of resignation by the Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki, and that this matter be discussed at the Regular Council Session scheduled on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

Council Member Appointments to Committees/Boards for the Years 2009/2010.

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-28

"Be it resolved that the Appointments of Members of Council to Committees and Boards for the years 2009/2010, be deferred to the Regular Session of February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 for further discuss. CARRIED."

**XIII. BY-LAWS –3:43 P.M.:**

**By-Law No. 01-2009** - Being a by-law to enter into an Agreement with Jeffrey Kelly Sainthill and Connie Lynn Elizabeth Sainthill, Part Lot 23, Concession 3, for Haldimand Township now in the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand – for an Accessory Structure prior to Single Family Dwelling.

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Moved by Councillor Holmes, seconded by Councillor Ritchie;

"Be it resolved that **By-Law No. 01-2009**, being a by-law to authorize the signing and execution of an Agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand and Jeffrey Kelly Sainthill and Connie Lynn Elizabeth Sainthill, Part Lot 23, Concession 3, former Township of Haldimand now in the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand for the provisions of constructing an accessory structure (garage) prior to a single family dwelling, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009. CARRIED."

Councillor Ritchie declared a pecuniary interest pertaining to By-Law 02-2009 as it relates directly to property her and her husband own, and will be affected by this land transfer and departed from the Council Chambers at 3:44 p.m.

**By-Law No. 02-2009** - Being a by-law to Authorize the signing and execution of Deeds/Transfer of Land documents for the acquisition of Lands from the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario adjacent the Eagleson road overpass, and more particularly described as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on Ministry Plan P-3179-0119, Deposited in the Land Registry Office as Plan 39R-11626, for Road Purposes.

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Moved by Deputy Mayor McDonald, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;

"Be it resolved that **By-Law No. 02-2009**, being a by-law to authorize the signing and execution of Deeds/Transfer of Land documents by the Municipality for the acquisition of Lands from the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario adjacent the Eagleson Road overpass of Highway 401, and more particularly described as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on Ministry Plan P-3179-0119, Deposited in the Land Registry Office as Plan 39R-11626, for Road Purposes, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009. CARRIED."

Councillor Ritchie returned to the Regular Council session at 3:45 p.m.

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS – 3:45 P.M.:**

There were no new items of business at this time.

**XV. BUSINESS FROM COUNCILLORS – 3:45 P.M.:**

Councillor Ritchie enquired as to why there were no budget meetings in January. The Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki provided a brief explanation with regards to the cancellation of the tentative budget meetings for January 2009.

Art Jeninga suggested that existing technology, such as a projector, be used to speed up budget deliberations, this would allow for figures to be amended on the excel sheet which would in turn provide an immediate amended total. The use of lap-tops and overhead projectors would also save staff time.

It was the consensus of Council to schedule a Budget meeting for February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. with Cam Ward coming at 6:30 p.m. at the Grafton Municipal Office.

Another Budget meeting will be held on February 26/09 at 1:00 p.m. at the Grafton Municipal Office and a third meeting scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 1:00 p.m., also to be held at the Grafton Municipal Office.

Councillor Jeninga suggested that Councillor Walter Broegelmann's service to the municipality be recognized. The Clerk/Administrator will investigate this matter.

Request for delegation with Minister of Health, David Caplan:

Moved by Councillor Jeninga, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-29

"That members of Council attending the OGRA/ROMA conference seek an appointment with Minister of Health, David Caplan and attend as a delegation on behalf of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand in order to bring forth concerns about the competition between communities for physicians and the exclusionary clauses contained in the hiring policies of doctors in various facilities that prohibit doctors from serving citizens from outside of sponsoring communities.

CARRIED."

Councillor Holmes brought forward his concerns with the responses by the municipal fire department to medical assist call-outs in the municipality and questioned if this is a service which needs to be continued, as it is very costly. It was noted that this is referenced as the "two-tiered response."

Councillor Holmes was of the opinion that he would like a policy whereby staff would be available during Christmas holidays and that the policy concerning staff overtime and holidays be addressed.

This issue will be addressed by the Human Resources consultant.

Councillor Benns stated that he had a call concerning the status of high-speed internet access (broadband initiative by the County of Northumberland) and provided the concerns expressed by this individual, to fellow Council members. The Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki suggested that Mr. Jephtha meet with Dan Borowec, County of Northumberland, in order to discuss concerns involved with the broadband initiatives.

Mayor Finley:

Mayor Finley suggested that Council hire an individual to investigate the aggregate resources at the Gilchrist Pit.

Moved by Deputy Mayor McDonald, seconded by Councillor Holmes;  
Resolution #2009-30

"Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand direct the Clerk/Administrator to ask Mr. Bernie Furmann if he would be willing to investigate and provide a written report as to the availability and amounts of aggregate remaining in the Gilchrist Pit. CARRIED."

Mayor Finley suggested that Council determine an acceptable budgetary increase and provide this to the Staff as a target amount during the preparation of the Municipal Budget figures. It was noted that the goal would be a 0 percent increase. However, growth figures and COLA would be incorporated.

**XVI. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS/PUBLIC/GALLERY – 4:30 P.M.:**

Mrs. Carruthers noted that the heading and actual body of the resolution pertaining to the numbering for the financial accounts do not match.

**CONFIRMING BY-LAW – 4:31 P.M.:**

**By-Law No. 03-2009** - Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Council Session held on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 of the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand.

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Moved by Councillor Bennis, seconded by Councillor Holmes;

"Be it resolved that **By-Law No. 03-2009**, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Council session held on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 of the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand, be read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD TIME and FINALLY PASSED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009. CARRIED."

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT – 4:41 P.M.:**

Moved by Councillor Ritchie, seconded by Councillor Jeninga;  
Resolution #2009-31

"Be it resolved that the Regular Council Session held on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009, be adjourned at 4:41p.m. CARRIED."

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Mayor, William Finley

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Clerk/Administrator, Terrence Korotki