

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, January 15, 2010				Report Date	Monday, January 11, 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 15/01/10/201

- Roads truck has been sold via open public tender – ad in NRT, and on webpage. Proceeds - \$2,550 quote from dealer - \$1,130. New truck to be purchased from LaPointe Bros. the only dealer out of 4 that even responded. Within price range, budget and specs and according to our procurement by-law.
- Taxes written off according to policy – amounts less than \$5.00 owing at year end from various properties totalled \$50.67. Reasons include late payments with minimal late fees, differences in exchange rate, etc.
- PSAB inventory and valuation completed by year end as per regulations.
- Scotiabank and tax payments. We had set up with Scotia the potential for payment of tax bills from any Scotiabank branch. We had initially set up on a trial basis without advertising to all ratepayers. The system seems to be working however, Scotia has just advised that the service which was once free may soon have a monthly fee attached - \$15 per month. With complaints from various municipalities it seems that Scotia is backtracking and has decided to reduce the costs for municipalities. Once this has settled we will announce with the March tax bills the availability of this service. Although it is not comprehensive, including all banks, there is now an option for service in most commercial areas.
- Tax sale for March 25, 2010 – 2 vacant properties will be up for sale through Realtax. The agreement which was authorized by Council for a repayment plan for one of the properties was not signed by the property owner. He has been advised of the process.
- January 12, 2010 there was no water when Ruth arrived. Called MacKinnon Well Drilling to come up to provide emergency service as we have no heat without water to circulate, and the hall is to be rented Wednesday and Saturday. There was evidence that there was sand in the sink last week. Also, the week previously, Bob noticed a hot water tap left on in the men's room, presumably after cards. It is possible that this caused the well to run dry and allowed sand to enter the pump causing the damage. After inspection it was found that the wiring was faulty. It has been replaced and we once again have water. No idea what the costs are.
- Phone call from Craig from the Renfrew County District Board of Health concerning our Small Drinking Water System inspection. We were legislated to have an inspection because we are a public facility. Craig is coming next week to formalize the agreement and to deliver our "directive" which must be complied with by May of 2010. He has recommended that we obtain a filter and UV light system. The filter will remove excess turbidity and the UV lights will take care of any coliform or e. coli. We will also need to begin quarterly sampling at our expense after his visit. Another item to add to our 2010 budget deliberations.