TOWNSHIP OF SIOUX NARROWS - NESTOR FALLS

Moved by	Phil Hudson	Resolution No.	55 - 16
Seconded by	Lale Black	Date	April 19 th , 2016

Whereas there are 13 municipalities in Northwestern Ontario and a number of First Nation communities who do not have direct access to piped natural gas, and a significant number who only have partial service, and

Whereas the residents and businesses in those communities without natural gas service must pay significantly more to heat their buildings than communities with natural gas service, and

Whereas a connection to the existing natural gas distribution system must be paid for by the new customers connecting to the distribution system, and

Whereas the vast majority of the existing system was paid for by the rate payers as a whole, and

Whereas the Ontario Energy Board has initiated a consultation process on who should pay for any expansion, and

Whereas NOMA, NOACC and CVNW (the NOACC Coalition) have requested intervenor status on behalf of the ratepayers (current and future) of Northwestern Ontario, and

Whereas the position of the Coalition is that the cost of expanding natural gas service to communities without it, should be shared by all gas rate payers in the Province of Ontario in order to ensure that no community is placed at a disadvantage due to their geographic location.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Township of Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls advises the Ontario Energy Board that it supports the position adopted by NOMA, NOACC and CVNW that the expansion of the natural gas distribution system should be paid for by all current and future gas rate payers.

DIVISION OF VOTES			CONFLICT OF INTEREST	
Member		Yea Nay		
Mayor	Jerry O'Leary			
At Large	Gale Black			
At Large	Norbert Dufresne			DISPOSITION OF RESOLUTION (check one)
Ward 1	Suzanne Bouvier			
Ward 2	Phil Hudson			Carried ☐ Defeated ☐
TOTALS				

MAYOR