

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held a meeting on the 17th day December, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Mayor D. White, Deputy Mayor J. Elliott, Councillor D. Besley, Councillor W. Hannon and Councillor J. Webster were present. Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk and Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk were also present. Mayor White presided and called the meeting to order.

Announcements

None.

Additions

- letter to RJ Burnside and Associates regarding the Stinson and McCue Drainage Works
- Borrowing By-law for the Drain Account

Deletions

None.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Can be declared at this time or anytime throughout the meeting

Minutes

Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that the minutes of the December 3, 2015 Council meeting be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege

At this time, Mayor White made a statement with regards to Point of Privilege to bring the members up to date on the County 911 RFP.

Public Question Period

A question was asked about the 2016 Budget and when it would be presented to Council.

Road Business

Craig Micks, Road Superintendent was not in attendance for this meeting. Councillor Hannon advised that he received a call from a resident about some logs being on the road on the 8th Line NE. Staff will inform Craig of this.

Correspondence

***Outside Board & Committee Minutes**

1. Minutes of the Mulmur/Melancthon Fire Board Meeting - Meeting November 2, 2015

Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that the Outside Board and Committee Minutes - Item No. 1 be received as information. Carried.

*** Items for Information Purposes**

1. Heads Up Alert - Ontario Good Roads Association - December 1, 2015
2. Email from Michelle Steele, Senior Manager, RLB dated December 2, 2015, Re - Pre-audit Letter to Council
3. Highlights of the NVCA Board of Directors Meeting No. 11-15 - November 27, 2015
4. Email from Ernie Hardeman, MPP Oxford, PC Critic Municipal Affairs and Housing dated December 2, 2015, Re - Details for Upcoming Pre-Budget Consultations
5. Email from Kathy Round, Administrative Assistant, Planning Grand River Conservation Authority, Re - GRCA Planning Permit and Inquiry Fee Increase - effective January 1, 2016
6. Copy of a resolution passed by the Township of Montague dated November 17, 2015, Re - Supporting Ontario Trails Act
7. Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority - 2016 Annual General Meeting, Friday January 22, 2016
8. Email from Ilona Feldman, Source Protection Program Assistant dated December 8, 2015, Re - GRCA News: Grand River Source Protection Plan approved
9. GRCA Current - December, 2015 - Volume 20 Number 11

Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that Correspondence Items 1-9 for information Purposes be received as information. Carried.

*** Items for Council Action**

1. Request for Comments - Niagara Escarpment Commission dated November 30, 2015, Re - East Part Lot 15, Concession 2 OS - 537224 Main Street
2. Document from Steve Wever, Planner, Town of Shelburne, Planning & Development Department dated December 1, 2015, Re - Official Plan Review
3. Notification for Maintenance and Repair - James Foley Drain

1 - no comments as Council already provided the Planner's Report to them on this matter as well as a Council resolution.

2 - no comments

3 - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that we accept the notification for the maintenance and repair of the James Foley Drainage Works under Section 79 of the Drainage Act, signed by Devinder Cheema, owner of Lot 33, Concession 4 NE. We direct Tom Pridham, P. Eng. Drainage Superintendent to investigate and report back to Council on his findings and recommendations. Carried.

***Items for Council Action - Budget 2016**

1. Letter from Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Board dated December 8, 2015, Re - 2016 Operating and Capital Budgets
2. Letter from Shelburne and District Agricultural Society dated December 2, 2015, Re -Request for a financial contribution for the 149th Shelburne Agricultural Society Fall Fair
3. Email from Gord Gallagher, Treasurer Shelburne Public Library dated December 1, 2015, Re - Shelburne Public Library 2016 Budget
4. Email from Darlene Noakes, Court Services Manager, Provincial Offences Caledon/Dufferin dated November 20, 2015, Re - POA Budget 2016

1 - Staff were directed to send a letter to Mulmur to find further savings in the draft budget due to the percentage increase in Melancthon's levy.

2 - Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon give the Shelburne District Agricultural Society a grant of \$500.00 for the 2016

Agricultural Fair. Carried.

3 - Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon approve the budget of the Shelburne Public Library for the 2016 year. And further more that it be understood the budge increase will be a 3.4% increase from 2015 and the total dollar amount of the budget levy will be \$47,263.00. Carried.

4 - no action

5:30 p.m. - Mike and Amber Swidersky, owners of Part of Lot 22, Concession 5 SW attended Council concerning a proposed event venue for their farm and were seeking Council support for a zoning by-law amendment for their property. They presented a slide show to Council on their proposal. Chris Jones, Township Planner was in attendance and spoke to the proposal. Council were receptive to the idea and Mr. and Mrs. Swidersky will be submitting a zoning by-law amendment application in the near future.

5:40 p.m. - Sam and Megan Young attended Council regarding the proposed rezoning of Part of Lots 7 & 8, Concession 1 OS. He advised that in 2004 he made a presentation to Council about a housing development on his 70 acres which received support at that time. As he did not submit the paperwork required to proceed with the development at that time, he would like to pursue it now. Chris Jones was also in attendance for this delegation and suggested that he meet with Mr. and Ms. Young to hear more about the proposal.

General Business

Draft By-law to Amend Schedule A attached to the Tariff of Fees By-law for Administrative Purposes - By-law No. 35-2013

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that leave be given to introduce a By-law to amend Schedule "A" attached to By-law No. 35-2013 the Tariff of Fees for Administrative Matters By-law and it be hereby read a first and second time. Carried. By-law numbered 60-2015 and read a first and second time.

6:00 p.m. - Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that we adjourn Council to go into Committee of Adjustment and reconvene as Council. Carried.

6:13 p.m. - Council reconvened.

New/Other Business/Addition(s)

Motion to reduce taxes under Section 357 of the Municipal Act

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that We reduce the taxes on the following properties under Section 357 of the Municipal Act:

1. 1-15400 - West Part Lot 12, Concession 1 OS - from Jan 01 - Dec 31, 2015, house destroyed by fire
2. 3-08950 - Part Lot 24, Concession 3 NE - from Jan 01 - Dec 31, 2015, house destroyed by fire
3. 5-05700 - Part Lots 289 - 290, Concession 1 SW - from Jan 01 - Dec 31, 2015, no longer conducting a business, remove IT assessment
4. 5-12500 - Lot 9, Lot 10, Plan 1 - from Aug 01 - Dec 31, 2015, no longer conducting a business, remove IT assessment
5. 6-13000 - Part Lot 302, Concession 2 SW - from Jan 01 - Dec 31, 2014 and from Jan 01 - Dec 31, 2015, OMAFRA approval

Carried.

Additions

Borrowing By-law Drain Account

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that leave be given to introduce a By-law to authorize the increase of the borrowing limit on the Drainage Account and it be hereby read a first and second time. Carried. By-law numbered 61-2015 and read a first and second time.

Letter to R.J. Burnside and Associates regarding Stinson and McCue Drainage Works

Staff advised that as previously discussed with Council, the assessment schedules on the McCue and Stinson Drains are required to be amended to reflect the correction of the watershed boundaries in Lots 17 & 18, Concession 4 OS. This will ensure that pending maintenance costs are equitably distributed between the two watersheds both now and in the future. Council directed Staff to send the letter to Burnside's with a copy to the owners that are affected.

Unfinished Business

North Dufferin Recreation Board of Management Draft Constitution

The draft constitution with revisions made at the last meeting was presented and further reviewed. More revisions were made to the document. Staff were asked to amend the document and bring a clean version back to the next meeting.

NEC Plan Review

Deferred.

Information Flyer

Deferred.

Home Occupation/On Farm Business'

Council advised that they are waiting for the Planner to provide them with the wording that is associated with the sketch he presented to them at the meeting held on October 29, 2015.

OFM Recommendation - # 6

Deferred. Still waiting to hear from the OFM Office. In the meantime, Staff will advise the CAO of Mulmur and Shelburne to bring the matter to the attention of the fire boards to deal with the By-laws, policies, operating guidelines, etc. of the Fire Department.

Third Readings - By-laws

Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that By-law 60-2015 & 61-2015 now be read a third time signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book. Carried.

Confirmation By-law

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that leave be given to introduce a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on December 17, 2015 and it be given the required number of readings. Carried. By-law numbered 62-2016 and read three times.

Adjournment

6:40 p.m. - Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that we adjourn Council to meet again on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK