

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held a meeting on the 2nd day of July, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Mayor D. White (arrived at 5:35 p.m. ~ prior notice given that he would be late for meeting), Deputy Mayor J. Elliott, Councillor D. Besley, Councillor W. Hannon and Councillor J. Webster were present. Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk was also present. In the absence of Mayor White, Deputy Mayor Elliott presided over the meeting and called it to order.

Announcements

None.

Additions

- Road Business - information pertaining to speed signs

Deletions

None.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that the agenda be approved as amended. 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 June 18, 2015 Council meeting be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege

None.

Public Question Period

A comment regarding a digital radar sign (and how they work) was mentioned during this time.

County Council Update - deferred until Mayor White arrives.

Committee Reports

Deputy Mayor Elliott - CDRC Special Meeting - June 8, 2015 and Regular CDRC meeting - June 24, 2015

Councillor Webster - Horning's Mills Community Hall - June 16, 2015

Councillor Hannon - Southgate Rec - June 11, 2015

* Staff were directed to put the Southgate/Melancthon Recreation Agreement on the

next Agenda as it is coming up for renewal at the end of the year. Staff were also directed to get an opinion from the Township's Insurance Company regarding the "Use at your Own Risk" disclaimer.

Correspondence

***Outside Board & Committee Minutes**

1. Horning's Mills Hall Board of Management - Meeting May 19, 2015
2. Minutes of the Shelburne Public Library Board - Meeting Tuesday May 19, 2015

Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that the Outside Board & Committee Minutes Correspondence Items 1 & 2 be received as information. Carried.

*** Items for Information Purposes**

1. Information Package for Proposed Wireless Communications Installation - 15 Sideroad, Horning's Mills, ON
2. Copy of a resolution passed by the Township of Amaranth dated June 18, 2015, Re - Proposed Privatization of Hydro One
3. Letter Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon dated June 19, 2015, Re - Bill 36 - the Respecting Private Property Act
4. Letter from Bob Chiarelli, Minister, Ministry of Energy dated June 18, 2015, Re - Local Energy Planning

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that Correspondence Items 1-4 for information purposes be received as information. Carried.

*** Items for Council Action**

1. Notification for Maintenance and Repair - Ferguson Municipal Drain
2. Notification for Maintenance and Repair - Ballinger Municipal Drain
3. Notification for Maintenance and Repair - Levi Allen Municipal Drain
4. Notification for Maintenance and Repair - McCue Municipal Drain
5. Notification for Maintenance and Repair - Henderson Municipal Drain
6. Petition for Drainage Works by Owners - Pt. Lot 12, Concession 5 NE
7. Petition for Drainage Works by Owners - Lot 261, Concession 3 SW
8. Notice of Request for Drain Maintenance and/or Repair - Westcott Municipal Drain
9. Email from Sean Stewart, Acting Planner, Niagara Escarpment Commission dated June 22, 2015, Re - Niagara Escarpment Commission Request for Comments - Stavelly Request
10. Letter from Elizabeth Durkin dated June 15, 2015, Re - Heritage Day Quilt relocation

1-5 - Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that we direct the Drainage Superintendent to proceed with the maintenance work on the Levi Allen Drainage Works (Upper Portion), Ballinger Drainage Works, Henderson Drainage Works (Upper Portion), McCue Drainage works (Middle Portion) and Ferguson Drainage Works, D Drain as outlined in his letters of June 24, 2015. Carried.

6 - Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that Council accept the petition under Section 4 of the Drainage Act, signed by Nelson and Amanda Martin describing the south-west part of Lot 12, Concession 5 NE as requiring drainage, and directs the Clerk to notify the petitioners and the Grand River Conservation Authority, as required by Section 5 of the Drainage Act, of its decision to proceed. Be it further resolved that Council appoint Tom Pridham, P. Eng., of R.J. Burnside & Associates Ltd. to prepare a report, plan and profile in accordance with Section 8(4) of the Drainage Act, to combine the work with the report currently in progress for Pt. Lot 10, Concession 5 NE (Fluney) and Pt. Lot 11, Concession 5 NE (Martin), as the areas requiring drainage are adjoining. Carried.

7 - Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that Council accept the petition under Section 4 of the Drainage Act signed by Manassa Bauman on behalf of M.B. Fasteners Inc. describing Part of Lots 261 & 262, Concession 3 SW as requiring drainage and directs the Clerk to notify the petitioner and the Grand River Conservation Authority, as required by Section 5 of the Drainage Act, of its decision to proceed. Be it further resolved that Council appoint Tom Pridham, P. Eng., of R.J. Burnside & Associates Ltd. to prepare a report, plan and profile in accordance with Section 8 of the Drainage Act. Carried.

8 - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that we accept the notification for the maintenance and repair of the Westcott Drainage Works under Section 79 of the Drainage Act, 1990, signed by Josiah and Susie Bauman, owners of the West Half Lot 24, Concession 4 OS. We direct Tom Pridham, P. Eng. Drainage Superintendent to investigate and report back to Council on his findings and recommendations. Carried.

9 - Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that we have no objection to the NEC Application D/A/2014-2015/262 by Randy Staveley for the construction of an addition to an existing hay storage building of approximately 1,920 square feet and maximum height of approximately 25 feet on West Part of Lot 11, Concession 1 OS. Carried.

10 - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that the Heritage Quilt remain at the Township Office until Debbie Fawcett advises differently. Carried.

Road Business

Accounts

Craig Micks, Road Superintendent attended Council and presented the road accounts in the amount of \$318,118.31. Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that the road accounts be approved as presented by the Road Superintendent. Carried.

Addition - Speed Signs - Craig advised that a Representative from Owl-Lite is willing to come speak to Council about the speed signs as there are so many different ones and without knowing what we want, it is difficult to give a price. He also advised that he could bring one up to show them. This was deferred to the Roads Sub-committee. Craig advised that the traffic counter is still on hold and perhaps the Township could get a speed sign instead.

At this time, it was reported that the 4th Line SW where they crossed the road with the tile is a little rough. Craig reported that the contractors hit a Bell line when they were digging. They will get back out there and get the road fixed.

***Items for County of Dufferin Road Network Rationalization Plan**

1. Copy of a motion passed by the Town of Grand Valley dated June 9, 2015, Re - County Road Network Rationalization Plan
2. Recommendations from the Public Works Committee dated June 23, 2015, Re - Extensions be granted for the review and provisions for comments regarding the Dufferin County Road Network Rationalization Plan until September 2015

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that Correspondence Items 1 & 2 regarding the County of Dufferin Rationalization Plan be received as information. Carried.

5:35 p.m. - Mayor White arrives. Council took a five minute break and reconvened at 5:40 p.m.

Delegations

5:40 p.m. - Allan Wargon - Melancthon/Clearview Townline attended Council regarding his objection to a motion passed by Council on March 19, 2015. Mr. Wargon had sent a letter into Council requesting an increase in snowblowing from \$60.00 to \$70.00 per occasion. Council approved the increase to be effective for the 2015/16 year and Mr. Wargon was requesting that it be for the 2014/15 year and asked Council to reconsider its decision. The matter was referred to the Roads Sub-committee for them to look at and make a recommendation to Council.

5:50 p.m. - Bruce Beach and Robert Studer of Survival Central Limited attended Council regarding the Annual Preppers Event to be held on July 10th - 12th, 2015 at Mr. Beach's property at 101 Mill Lane. A typed presentation was circulated to all Members of Council and the CAO/Clerk. In the presentation, it explained that they overlooked getting a permit because they did not know that they required one. The OPP had been notified each time (this is the 3rd Annual). It was advised that arrangements have been made to use the Horning's Mills Hall as well. The presentation explained the mission, purpose and status of the event. Concerns of Council were raised (not towards the event) but towards the mention that there would be a tour of the Ark II Shelter on a website advertising the event. There is an Order on file, that the entrances to the bunker are to be permanently shut. This issue dates back to 2000 and was initiated by the Shelburne and District Fire Department at that time. Mr. Beach gave a history on the matter. Mayor White gave a commitment to Mr. Beach that he would meet with Mike Giles, CBO of the County of Dufferin regarding the Order issued in 2000 (with regards to the building permit) and a commitment to keep Mr. Beach informed of his progress. The CAO/Clerk was directed to notify the Shelburne and District Fire Department that the Township would be issuing a Special Event Permit for this Event and that anything to do with the bunker is between the Beach's and the Shelburne and District Fire Department. As Council did not have any concerns with the event, the following motion was introduced and passed: Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that the Township of Melancthon allow Bruce Beach to apply for an event permit past the required 60 days time period and it be resolved by Staff. Carried. Staff were directed to issue the special event permit.

General Business

Accounts

In the absence of the Treasurer, the CAO/Clerk presented the accounts in the amount of \$817,204.34. Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that the general accounts be approved as presented by the CAO/Clerk. Carried.

Applications to Permit

Mayor White signed the following applications to permit:

- a pre-fab structure on the East Part of Lot 11, Concession 4 OS - J. Guenette
- a storage shed on 1 Fieldway Court, Horning's Mills - H. & P. Kammerer

During this time it was also noted that an application to permit a modular home on Part of Lot 260, Concession 1 SW (Shamsollah Khan) but information regarding the square footage has not yet been received. Discussion ensued regarding a modular home that is sitting on a property in Corbetton and Staff were directed to ask Mr. Khan where the modular home would be coming from.

New/Other Business/Additions

Motion to return the deposit tender cheque to AECON regarding Surface Treatment Tender 02-2014 - Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that we return the Tender Cheque in the amount of \$50,000.00 to AECON regarding Surface Treatment Tender 02-2014. Carried.

Other - Staff were directed to send a letter to the owners of Part of Lot 261, Concession 1 SW (former Wrecking Yard in Corbetton) requesting them to clean up the property and forward a copy of the Township's Scrapyard By-law.

Unfinished Business

By-law Enforcement - discussion ensued and the main issue regarding this matter is that Council would like to recover costs on by-law enforcement and therefore to achieve this, we need to start a systematic review of our main by-laws that we get complaints on. Those by-laws are – site alteration, property standards, canine and zoning by-law. It was suggested that this be done in Committee of the Whole, starting in the Fall. A meeting was set for Thursday, November 5, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. and start with the Site Alteration By-law.

Amendment to ATV By-law - Suggestions from Council Members regarding time restrictions - as this is still fairly new and just came into effect on July 1, 2015, Staff will continue to look and see if other municipalities have made amendments to their by-laws.

Information flyer to be sent out regarding future of the Township's Infrastructure (Roads) and Policing issues - comments from Council Members - Mayor White advised that he has started to work on this and has created some pie charts to indicate where tax dollars are spent, as well as to show how much money is spent on infrastructure, etc.

Hill Agra Machinery - Update - the CAO/Clerk has left a message for Mr. Hill to call. The progress is disappointing. A legal opinion to be sought on alternatives to get this cleaned up.

Comments regarding the County of Dufferin Road Rationalization Study - deadline for comments is July 31, 2015 - no comments

Mulmur Melancthon Recreation Agreement - the CAO/Clerk advised that Mulmur Township has not had a chance to work on the Agreement. Discussion ensued and until a draft agreement is brought forth, the Township will be holding back its final two payments.

Corbetton Park - nothing new on this issue. The CAO/Clerk advised that the signed Memorandum of Understanding has been sent to the County, along with the required insurance. Staff to meet at the property on July 13th with Mayor White to assess what is required.

County Council Update - deferred from earlier - Mayor White advised that the County is working on a new Procedural By-law. Keith Palmer, Direction of Community Services has been elected as President of the Ontario Municipal Social Services Agency.

Confirmation By-law

Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that leave be given to introduce a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on July 2, 2015 and it be given the required number of readings. Carried. By-law numbered 35-2015 and read three times.

Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting

7:13 p.m. - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that we adjourn Council to meet again on Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK