

## **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON**

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held a meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017 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**

- Councillor Webster - Discussion regarding the Celebration in the Park on June 24, 2017  
- Councillor Besley - update regarding the Rogers Cell Tower - The CAO advised at this time, that Ms. Vivar was scheduled into the March 16<sup>th</sup> Council meeting to provide an update.

### **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**

Mayor White advised that disclosure of pecuniary interest can be declared at this time or anytime throughout the meeting.

### **Minutes**

Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that the minutes of the February 2, 2017 Council meeting be adopted as circulated. Carried.

### **Business Arising from Minutes**

None.

### **Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege**

None.

### **Public Question Period**

A question was asked about the timing of pulverizing the 4<sup>th</sup> Line NE as concerns were raised about more wind turbine projects coming in.

### **Road Business**

1. Recommendations from the February 13, 2017 Roads Sub-Committee meeting - Councillor Besley spoke to the recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION 1

The Road Sub-committee recommends to Council that Mill Street/River Road from Main Street, Horning's Mills to the Melancthon/Mulmur Townline be a Community Safety Zone.

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that Mill Street/River Road from Main Street, Horning's Mills to the Melancthon/Mulmur Townline be a Community Safety Zone and that the required By-law be brought back to Council for adoption. Carried.

#### RECOMMENDATION 2

The Road Sub-committee recommends to Council that the speed limit on River Road from Melancthon/Mulmur Townline to Mill Street be 50 km/hr. The speed limit on Mill Street to Main Street, Horning's Mills should be reduced to 40 km/hr.

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that the Township of Melancthon accepts the recommendation for the roads subcommittee meeting of February 13, 2017 and amends it to be 40 km/hr from Main St. Horning's Mills to the Melancthon/Mulmur Townline and direct Staff to bring forward a by-law to this effect for Council approval. Carried.

#### RECOMMENDATION 3

The Road Sub-committee recommends to Council that Melancthon Township applies to the County of Dufferin for an Emergency Readiness grant for a generator for the shop.

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that Melancthon Township applies to the County of Dufferin for an Emergency Readiness grant for a generator for the shop. Carried.

#### RECOMMENDATION 4

The Road Sub-committee recommends to Council that residents put brush at the edge of their property on designated days for roadside pickup.

Discussion ensued on this recommendation and this recommendation stems from the ice storm of March 2016 and the suggestion about opening up the landfill in the Spring for residents to get rid of fallen branches. In discussions with the Road Superintendent, it was felt that it would be more economical to just pick up the branches at roadside and that way it isn't being handled twice and this would be done on a regular weekday rather than having to staff the landfill site on the weekend. Questions were raised about the designated days, how many days and this was referred back to the Roads Sub-committee to develop a plan. It was suggested that someone speak to Scott Burns at the County to find out when GFL would be doing this to make sure that it doesn't conflict with them and then it was raised that if the County is already providing this service, the Township shouldn't have to pay to do it also. An addendum to be added to the Plan that this would only be done in the event of a major storm.

#### 2. Update from Mayor White regarding the motion passed to approach Dufferin County regarding the possibility of them taking ownership of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Line SW

Mayor White advised that he spoke to Scott Burns, Director of Public Works and was basically told no. He says the problem stems from County Road 12 in Amaranth that is a County road, but shouldn't be as this has been identified through traffic counts. Staff were directed to send the motion passed at the last meeting to the County and request that it be placed on the next County Council Agenda.

#### 3. Other

Mayor White updated Council regarding the bridge in Corbetton and it was confirmed by Scott Burns, Director of Public Works that the County does own that bridge and it was included in the County's bridge study. Staff were directed to advise Burnside's that this

Bridge be removed from Melancthon' s study now that this has been confirmed.

## Delegations

1. **5:30 p.m.** - David Thwaites, Chair of the Melancthon Township Police Services Board attended Council to speak with the members about the top three priorities for the 2017-2019 OPP Business Action Plan. There were no comments received from the Public that pertained to the Action Plan. Each Council member was given a chance to express their thoughts on this matter. In the end, the top three priorities of Council are:
  1. Traffic
  2. Property Crime
  3. Visibility

This information will be taken back to the next Police Services Board meeting.

2. **5:45 p.m.** - A Public Meeting had been called for a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment on Part of Lots 289 and 290, Concession 2 SWTSR (Sentry Door - James Martin). Chris Jones, Township Planning Consultant was in attendance. The applicant was not. Mr. Jones had provided an earlier Report to Council on this matter. He advised that with this zoning by-law amendment, he would be eliminating the C3 zoning that was currently on the property and putting it in a General Agricultural Exception Zone to permit only the home industry of an overhead door installation and contracting business. Discussion ensued and Council raised concerns about the elimination of the other uses under the C3 zone and wondered if Mr. Martin was aware of this. Council advised that they would prefer that the C3 zoning be left and this be a use added to that zone. Mr. Jones advised that the draft zoning by-law amendment would be forwarded to Mr. Martin for comment. Council suggested that Mr. Jones contact Mr. Martin and have a discussion with him. It was advised by Staff that comments were received from the NVCA and they have no objection to its approval. Item deferred to the next meeting.

6:07 p.m. - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Elliott that we adjourn Council to go into Committee of Adjustment and reconvene as Council. Carried.

6:22 p.m. - Council reconvened.

### **Road Business - Cont.**

John Deere Grader - At this time, the Treasurer advised that the loan was not paid off on the grader and there was five more years left owing on it. Mayor White updated Council on the meeting with John Deere representatives on February 15, 2017. It was felt that they should stand behind their product and the Township did their due diligence and were told before the grader was fixed that it would be covered under warranty, so we don't feel we should have to pay the invoice. Bill Oakes, Nortrax is going to inquire about extended warranty on this grader and he gave a commitment that he would do this. Therefore, at the moment it was decided that we would do nothing because if they agree to the extended warranty, then this just becomes a warranty claim.

6:30 p.m. - Moved by Besley, Seconded by Webster that we adjourn Council to go into Committee of the Whole and reconvene as Council. Carried.

6:56 p.m. - Council reconvened.

### **Planning Matters**

1. Applications to Permit

There was one application received and reviewed. The CAO advised that Chris Jones had a few questions on it that required answers before it could be approved. Permission given to sign it, once Chris is satisfied with the answers.

### **Police Services Board Matters**

1. Article in the Banner Newspaper titled "*Data shows 1 in every 3 claims of sexual assault deemed 'unfounded' by Dufferin OPP*" (Mayor White)

Mayor White asked that this be placed on the Agenda so that the PSB could be looking for the Report that is to be coming from the OPP.

### **County Council Update**

Mayor White provided an update from the last meeting regarding poverty reduction, economic development and the Battlefield's Tour Presentation.

### **13. Correspondence**

#### **\* Items for Information Purposes**

1. Letter from Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs regarding the launch of the renewed Rural Economic Development (RED) Fund
2. AMO Communication - AMO Report to Member Municipalities - Highlights of the January 2017 Board Meeting
3. Headwaters Tourism Report - January 20, 2017
4. Resolution from the Town of Mono supporting Amaranth's Resolution on Changes to the Conservation Authorities Act
5. Resolution from the Town of Orangeville - Provincial Offences Act - Delivery of Services within Dufferin County
6. Resolution from the Town of Orangeville - Municipal Fire Service/Critical Infrastructure
7. Letter from Sylvia Jones regarding Bill 68, *Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2016*
8. NVCA - Media Release - Authority Developing Climate Change Action Plan
9. NVCA - Media Release - Doug Lougheed of Innisfil to lead 2017 NVCA Board of Directors
10. RLB - Pre-Audit Letter to Council
11. Resolution from Tay Valley Township - Ontario's Electrical Bills
12. Resolution from the Township of Montague - Ontario's Electrical Bills
13. Resolution from the Township of Montague - Internet Activity in Libraries across Ontario
14. Letter from Patrick Brown, Leader of the Official Opposition - Support for Natural Gas Expansion
15. GRCA - Grand Actions Newsletter - January/February 2017
16. Grey County - Request for Comments on the Flato East Draft Approved Subdivision
17. Resolution from the Municipality of Neebing - Carbon Tax Credits for Municipalities
18. GRCA Current - February 2017

Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Elliott that Correspondence Items 1-18 for information purposes be received as information, except item # 7 for further discussion. Carried.

# 7 - Staff were directed to provide an overview of the changes in Bill 68 and how it will affect us and bring it back to a future meeting of Council.

#### **\* Items for Council Action**

1. Multi-Year Access Plan - 2017-2021 and Melancthon Annex C
2. Notification for Maintenance and Repair of the Broster Drain Branch B, signed by Jacob Martin - Lot 26, Concession 7 NE, Lindsay Keating - Lot 24 & 25, Concession 6 NE and Franco Zomparelli - Lot 22, Concession 7 NE

# 1 - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Elliott that the Council of the Township of

Melancthon has reviewed the Multi-year Access Plan 2017-2021 and Annex C pertaining to the Township of Melancthon and approves the Plan and Annex as circulated. Carried.

# 2 - Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that we accept the notification for the maintenance and repair of the Broster Drain Branch B under Section 79 of the Drainage Act, 1990, signed by Jacob Martin - Lot 26, Concession 7 NE, Lindsay Keating - Lot 24 & 25, Concession 6 NE and Franco Zomparelli - Lot 22, Concession 7 NE. We direct Tom Pridham, P.Eng., Drainage Superintendent to investigate and report back to Council on his findings and recommendations. Carried.

## **General Business**

### 1. 2017 Draft Operating and Capital Budget (not in package)

The Treasurer presented the first draft of the 2017 Operating and Capital Budget. Currently it sits at a 22% increase in the tax rate. She explained in her memo to Council that there has been no surplus or deficit incorporated into the budget, so this year it starts off at zero and any surplus will be transferred into reserves. The draft budget was reviewed. Discussion ensued on structures that need to be replaced and that discussion turned to bridge inspections and the concerns raised over two inspections on the same structure in Corbetton and the data being very different. It was suggested that we choose three or four structures in our bridge report and have someone else do a new review on them to compare them. It was also mentioned that we need to identify core roads that will remain paved (as it is getting too cost prohibitive to keep all of our paved roads). The budget was deferred pending further information from the Road Superintendent on Culvert 2003 and Staffing. Admin Staff to inquire with Shelburne PSB as to where our Policing is at. Staff were also asked to find places in the budget that can be trimmed.

### 2. New/Other Business/Additions

1. Selling of dog tags - Interested Applicant(s) - an application was received from someone interested but it was decided that we would defer this for now.
2. POA Update - Mayor White - Mayor White updated Council on the General Government Services meeting and has advised that the County has taken no action on this matter. Consensus of Council was to also take no action and to leave this matter up to the County.
3. Sub-Committee Meeting Times - Discussion - Mayor White - Mayor White would like a set time for these meetings – would prefer at the beginning of the day or end of the day.
4. Addition - Councillor Webster - Horning's Mills Celebration - due to issues with the Fire Department last year, the following motion was put forth: Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that the Council of the Township of Melancthon directs staff to schedule the Shelburne Fire Department to attend Melancthon's 164<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration and Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 24, 2017 at the Horning's Mills Park. The purpose of the Departments attendance is to provide education to the residents of Melancthon Township and to ensure that Council has done their due diligence in providing immediate fire suppression in the event it is needed. Carried.

### 3. Unfinished Business

1. Legacy Project - Corbetton Park - County of Dufferin 150 Application  
As this all depends on the budget, this item was deferred.
2. Amend Council Motion # 21 from the January 12, 2017 regarding supporting the Township of McKellar regarding fire department assets -  
Staff were asked to prepare the motions for the next meeting. Item deferred.

### **Closed Session**

8:52 p.m. - Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Besley that Council move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reasons:

Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Properties Eligible for Tax Arrears Registration & Parking of Vehicles on Shook Street, Corbetton. Carried.

9:31 p.m. - Moved by Besley, Seconded by Elliott that we rise from Closed Session with Report.

Report - Staff to proceed with the direction given in Closed Session pertaining to the registration of tax arrears and the parking of vehicles on Shook Street.

### **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 of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon at its meeting held on February 16, 2017 and it be given the required number of readings. Carried.

### **Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting**

9:34 p.m. - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Elliott that we adjourn Council to meet again on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

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MAYOR

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