

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held a meeting on the 7th day of September, 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

- CAO - Dirt bike noise complaint - 3rd Line OS
- Councillor Besley - update on OMAFRA
- Mayor White - update on Bretton Estates

Deletions

None.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley 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 Elliott, Seconded by Webster that the minutes of the August 17, 2017 Council meeting be adopted as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege

None.

Public Question Period

No questions asked.

Planning

Applications to Permit

Mayor White signed the following applications for municipal approval:

- Mike and Sharlene Martin - new dwelling - West Part of Lot 12, Concession 1 OS
- Kenneth Granter - mud room - Part Lot 3, Concession 5 SW
- Ion Bauman/Simon Martin - farm storage shed - Lot 245, Part Lot 246, Concession

- 2 SW
Ivan Martin/Eli Sherk - addition to an existing building - Part Lot 28, Concession 5 SW

Other Planning Matters

With regards to the Delegation of Sharon Morden, Chris Jones, Township Planning Consultant reviewed his PowerPoint Presentation with Council.

Delegations

5:20 p.m. - Sharon Morden, Feral Cat Rescue attended Council with a request to move her Feral Cat Rescue to property located at 476260 3rd Line OS. She explained to Council that she has to be out of her facility in Shelburne by October 10th because it is not properly zoned for the rescue and because the Town received a complaint. She explained to Council about her Feral Cat Business and advised that they have saved 976 cats and 53,000 volunteer hours were logged last year. Ms. Morden was asked about her Business Plan and she advised that she has one and would send it to Township Staff. She advised that she has registered as a non-profit charity and is waiting for her number. A question was raised by Council as to where the cats come from and she advised they come from Shelburne and surrounding area. A question was also asked about funding and she advised that a "Go Fund Me" account had been set up. Mr. Jones explained that the property is currently zoned rural residential which does not allow for a feral cat rescue and that the owner (Kim Goddard) would have to apply for a zoning by-law amendment on the whole property for a Rural Residential Exception to allow this use. Questions were asked about site plan control and Mr. Jones advised that this is something that can be done and Council can set the size of structures on the property, numbers of structures and number of cats. Ms. Morden advised that the maximum number of cats that would be there at any time would be 40 as they trap the cats, spay or neuter them and adopt them. She said no cats are there on a permanent basis. The CAO explained the time lines involved for the zoning by-law amendment which is approximately four months. Ms. Morden indicated that she would be going to Shelburne Council to request an extension on her deadline of October 10th. Shelburne Mayor Ken Bennington, was also in attendance (as well as several other supporters) and spoke in support of the Feral Cat Rescue and said he would support the extension at his Council meeting. Council advised Ms. Morden to have the owner of the property submit the paperwork to get started on the zoning by-law amendment process.

5:30 p.m. - Council took a five minute break and reconvened for the next Delegation.

Heather Hill, Noble Insurance and Steve Smith, Frank Cowan and Company attended Council to review the 2017-2018 Insurance Program with Council and advised that the costs of the insurance program are down this renewal period by approximately \$2,500.00. They reviewed the schedule of coverage with Council as well as the changes to the insurance program and the contents and equipment. Council was also advised of additional insurance they may purchase for crime coverage (other option coverages as well as fraudulently induced transfer coverage) and facility user solution which would provide insurance to users renting any of the Township's facilities.

It was also announced during the Delegation that Mr. Smith would be retiring at the end of the year after many years with the company. Council wished him well in his retirement.

Public Works

Accounts

Craig Micks, Director of Public Works presented the road accounts in the amount of

\$55,936.81. Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that the roads accounts be approved as presented by the Director of Public Works. Carried.

Open Quotes to supply and deliver approximately 3,000 tonnes of screened winter sand

Mayor White opened the two tenders received:

1. Fleshcon - \$11.20/tonne + HST
2. James Dick Construction - \$14.39/tonne + HST

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that The Council of the Township of Melancthon accepts the quote from Fleshcon for the supply and delivery of approximately 3,000 tonnes of screened winter sand for the quoted price of \$11.20 per tonne, plus applicable taxes. Quoted price includes the rental of the stacker. The screened winter sand is to meet OPSS Specifications and the test is to be paid by the contractor with the sample supplied by the Township. Completion date is October 16, 2017. This quote complies with the Township's Procurement By-law. Carried.

Email from Arunas Kalinauskas, R.J. Burnside and Associates, dated August 25, 2017, Re. Corbetton Structure Inspections

The email and explanation from Mr. Kalinauskas was reviewed and received as information. Wendy Atkinson advised during this time that she spoke with Watson and Associates and they advised that they could peer review the Township's Asset Management Program. Staff were directed to set up a meeting with Watson and Associates and obtain a price and some guidance regarding this matter.

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

7:10 p.m. - Council reconvened.

Road Business - Cont.

Other Road Business

Craig advised that the 2nd Line SW crossing was completed today. The Horning's Mills pavement is to be done in the next couple weeks. A question was asked about the Corbetton pavement in the park and Craig advised that the quote is still the same.

Unfinished Business

2017 Bridge Study

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster that the Township of Melancthon accept the quote of K. Smart and Associates Limited to complete the 2017 Bridge Study in the amount of \$14,800.00 including disbursements but excluding HST. Carried.

Police Services Board

Appointment of Member from Council

Mayor White to sit on the Board as Melancthon's member. The next meeting is September 20, 2017.

Committee Reports

The following verbal reports were given:

Deputy Mayor Elliott - CDRC - August 23rd and Shelburne and District Fire Board - September 5th

Councillor Webster - NVCA - August 25th

Councillor Hannon - Upper Grand Watershed - August 24th

Correspondence

*** Items for Information Purposes**

1. Copy of a Resolution from Municipality of Bluewater, to Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, dated August 1, 2017, Re. Ontario Carbon Tax
2. NVCA Board Meeting Highlights, August 25, 2017
3. AMO Communications - Highlights of the August 2017 Board Meeting and Helping Latest Double Hatter Firefighters
4. Application for Zoning By-law Amendment to rezone property from Development (D) Zone to Development Exception (D-#) zone, 440 Main Street West, Town of Shelburne, and Notice of Public Meeting, dated August 21, 2017
5. Application for Site Plan Approval, 301 Col. Phillips Dr., Town of Shelburne, dated August 14, 2017
6. Letter from Office of the Prime Minister, dated August 17, 2017, acknowledging receipt of the Melancthon Township Resolution supporting Town of Mono's Resolution on tax exemptions
7. Resolution from Township of Oro Medonte, dated August 24, 2017, to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Re. Ontario's Wildlife Damage Compensation Program
8. Resolution from Kawartha Lakes, dated, August 30, 2017, Re. Farm House Severances

Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that Correspondence Items 1-8 for information purposes be received as information except item 7 for discussion. Carried.

7 - Councillor Besley advised that there is enormous discontent with the way OMAFRA is handling the wildlife complaints and livestock evaluators are frustrated. Discussion ensued and Council advised of the need to get Sylvia Jones, MPP involved in this. The CAO/Clerk advised that an email had been received from an OMAFRA representative who advised that it would be doubtful that someone from OMAFRA would attend Council and said that they have been receiving questions about the program. OMAFRA is planning an "Agricultural Wildlife Conflict Management Working Group" meeting coming up at the end of September. Further discussion on this matter and Council directed that a letter be sent to OMAFRA, signed by Mayor White advising that Council would like to be involved in this meeting. Also concerns were raised that no one from OMAFRA would come to Council. It was felt that this is their purview and someone should be coming out to answer our questions. The following motion from Oro-Medonte was supported. The motion to be circulated to the Ontario Farmer paper and our MPP as well as those listed on Oro-Medonte's motion.

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that the Municipality of Melancthon support the resolution of Oro-Medonte of August 24, 2017 in regards to the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program. Carried.

5 - it was asked if there were any concerns from the Planner and Staff advised that he had not provided any comments on this correspondence. Staff to follow up with him regarding traffic issues on the 3rd Line. It was mentioned at this time about Shelburne's By-pass proposal and Staff were asked to get a copy of it.

*** Items for Council Action**

1. Email from Steve Hett, Dufferin County Corporate Services, dated July 24, 2017, Re. Melancthon Township's updated MOU
2. Letter from R. J. Burnside and Associates, dated August 10, 2017, Re - Amos

Drainage Works Maintenance and Repair, 2017

3. Letter from R. J. Burnside and Associates, dated August 13, 2017, Re - Gordon Drainage Works Maintenance and Repair, 2017

1 - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Besley that the Mayor and Clerk be directed to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Dufferin and the Township of Melancthon for the County to Provide Information Technology Services to the Township of Melancthon. Carried.

2 & 3 - Council did not concur with the letters from Mr. Uderstadt and requested that he obtain quotes from local contractors to do those two drain clean outs.

General Business

Accounts

Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer presented the accounts in the amount of \$108,623.15. Moved by Webster, Seconded by Elliott that the general accounts be approved as presented by the Treasurer. Carried.

New/Other Business/Additions

Other

During the Committee of the Whole meeting, Craig Micks, Public Works Director recommended that the recommendation for locking gates be rescinded as he and his staff had safety concerns for the trucks turning into the yard with the gates there. The mover and seconder withdrew the following motion: Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that locking gates be purchased and placed on the entranceway of the Municipal yard to prevent unauthorized entrance.

Addition

Dirt Bike Noise Complaint - 3rd Line OS - As all of Council is aware of this issue, the Clerk put the item on the Agenda for discussion. The By-law Enforcement Officer is recommending that he can contact the complainant and have him keep a noise log as this may be required if the issue goes to Court. Also, because the By-law Enforcement Officer is the one to determine if this is excessive noise, he is recommending going out and having the dirt biker go on the track and he will go inside the complainant's house to listen to the noise of the dirt bike. Council concurred with this and directed Staff to advise the By-law Enforcement Officer of this as well as the complainant.

Bretton Estates - Mayor White advised that he is receiving complaints regarding the weeds in the development from a property owner. Staff were directed to contact Mr. Biles and advise him that the Township was giving him two weeks to get rid of the weeds or the Township would go in and remove them and take the monies from his deposit. Also, during this time it was mentioned about the monies that we are getting from the developer for winter maintenance and it was felt that it wasn't enough. Staff to review the agreement and find out how to increase that amount and to see if anything else needs to be updated in the Agreement.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Asset Management Plan

Deferred.

North Dufferin Community Centre - Board of Management Agreement

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that leave be given to introduce a By-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute a Joint Recreation Agreement between the Township of Melancthon and the Township of Mulmur and it now be read a first and second time. Carried. By-law numbered 45-2017 and read a first and second time.

Correspondence Information Item # 9 - Municipal Infrastructure Project Bundling Initiative

Deferred.

Closed Session

No closed Session

Third Reading of By-laws

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that By-law 45-2017 now be read a third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book. Carried.

Notice of Motion

None for this meeting.

Confirmation By-law

Moved by Elliott, Seconded by Webster 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 September 7, 2017 and it be given the required number of readings. Carried.

Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting

Moved by Besley, Seconded by Hannon that we adjourn Council to meet again Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

MAYOR

CLERK