

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

A Committee of the Whole meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon was held on Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Mayor D. White, Deputy Mayor D. Besley, Councillors W. Hannon, M. Mercer and D. Thwaites were present. Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk was also present. Deputy Mayor Besley presided as Chair and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Hannon that the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Minutes

Moved by White, Seconded by Mercer that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on October 3, 2019 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

Correspondence

None.

General Business

Heritage Committee - Discussion

Discussion ensued on this matter and each Council member was given an opportunity to express their opinion on whether or not Melancthon should develop a Heritage Committee. The consensus of Council is they do not want to see the Committee as a regulatory committee that tells people what they can do with their homes. Councillor Mercer who brought this idea to Council likes the Shelburne model of a Heritage Committee, which is more of a tourism initiative to make people aware of the heritage sites and historical features of the homes in Melancthon. Councillor Mercer offered to come up with a preliminary idea and bring forward information at the next meeting. This would fit in nicely with the community component of the Township's Strategic Plan.

Unfinished Business

Review Horning's Mills Community Hall By-law 16-2013/Review, Discussion and Direction regarding the Agreement between the Township of Melancthon and the Women's Institute of Horning's Mills & Horning's Mills Community Hall - Resignations

Several Hall Board Members were in attendance for the meeting as they were invited by Council to come sit down and discuss ideas going forward for the Hall and the new By-law. Items discussed ranged from ownership of the Hall, to communication issues between Council and the Board to funding from the Township for operating costs. The Board was asked to go back to their next meeting and draw up a proposal to submit to Council, on what the Board would like to see happen, the structure of the Board, what they would like to see Council do and how they see the Board functioning in 2020. As for the resignations of the Board, those still stand and the financials will be taken over by the Township, but the Hall Manager position will require further discussion as the Township does not have enough Staff to cover off those duties for rentals, maintenance, etc.

Administrative Penalties

Deferred – no new information.

Other

Nothing for this.

Adjournment

6:25 p.m. - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by Thwaites that we adjourn Committee of the Whole to meet again on January 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR

CLERK