



**#10 Minutes
Meeting of April 28, 2015
Committee of The Whole**

The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 5:09 p.m. at the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley Administrative Building, 310 Port Elmsley Rd.

Members Present:

Aubrey Churchill	Reeve
Gail Code	Deputy Reeve
Steve Fournier	Councillor
George Sachs	Councillor (Chair)
Ray Scissons	Councillor

Staff Present:

Cindy Halcrow	Clerk Administrator
Cathy Ryder	Deputy Clerk
Karl Grenke	Planner
Linda Van Alstine	Treasurer
Scott Cameron	Public Works Manager

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

The Chair invited members wishing to disclose a pecuniary interest to do so now. No members declared a pecuniary interest.

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1 Regular Session Minutes of April 14, 2015

MOTION #COW-15-065 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Gail Code
SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons

THAT the Committee of the Whole approves the minutes of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 14, 2015 as circulated.

ADOPTED

4. Approval of Agenda

MOTION #COW-15-066 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Steve Fournier
SECONDED BY: Aubrey Churchill

THAT the Committee of the Whole approves the agenda for the April 28, 2015 meeting of the Committee, as amended.

Amendment:
Garbage Collection Fee Increase (see Item 10.1)

ADOPTED

5. Petitions/Delegations/Public Hearings

5.1 Lena O’Connor, North Elmsley Parent Council – Play Structure

Lena O’Connor made a brief presentation to Council requesting a financial donation and their support in partnering with the North Elmsley Public School to apply for a grant to purchase a play structure. She reported that the play structure would provide access to children during and outside of school hours.

MOTION #COW-15-067 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Aubrey Churchill
SECONDED BY: Steve Fournier

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS

THAT Council agrees to partner with the North Elmsley Parent Council in the Farm Credit Canada grant application for funds to purchase an outdoor play structure.

ADOPTED

Action Item: Direction was given to staff to report back to the Parent Council regarding the amount of a donation from the Township towards the play structure.

5.2 Howard Allan – Financial Statement

Howard Allan, Allan Chartered Accountants, provided an update on the 2014 year-end audit and the consolidated financial statements. He reviewed cash receipts, North Elmsley Fire Area/Smiths Falls Fire Services Agreement, records retention/electronic storage, tangible capital assets and working capital reserves.

6. Communication/Correspondence

The following item was pulled from the Communication package and voted on separately.

#5 Township of Carling – Hydro One Resolution

MOTION #COW-15-068 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Gail Code
SECONDED BY: Steve Fournier

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley support the resolution enacted by the Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley which calls on Premier Wynne and the Province of Ontario to take immediate action to prevent these hydro rate increases from being implemented;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Premier Wynne and the Province of Ontario be encouraged to do something to bring these rated down to a reasonable level and to do so as quickly as possible.

ADOPTED

MOTION #COW-15-069 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Aubrey Churchill
SECONDED BY: Steve Fournier

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE receives the remainder of the communication items for the April 28, 2015 Committee of the Whole as information.

ADOPTED

7. Committee and Board Reports

7.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC WORKS

a) Report of the Planner – Walkden Zoning Amendment

The Planner briefly reviewed the Walkden zoning amendment application planning report. He recommended that the application be approved to rezone the lands at 402 Rideau Lake Road to Rural Special Exception- 86. Council accepted the recommendations with the following direction:

Action Item: Direction given to staff to bring forward a by-law for review and approval at the next Council meeting.

b) Report of the Planner – Sigler Zoning Amendment

The Planner provided an update on the proposed Sigler Zoning Amendment to add “rooming and boarding house” as a permitted use for property described as 6751 County Road 43. He recommended proceeding to a public meeting. Council accepted the recommendation with the following direction:

Action Item: Direction given to staff to schedule and prepare for a public meeting on May 26, 2015 at 5:30 to consider the Sigler Zoning Amendment.

c) Report of the Planner – Widenmaier Zoning

The Planner reviewed the Widenmaier zoning amendment application planning report on an application to rezone a portion of 385 Widenmaier Road to Rural Special Exception-87 to allow for a day camp. He recommended modifying the wording on the by-law to reflect that there be no overnight accommodations and that there will be a maximum of 50 campers per day. Council accepted the recommendation with the following direction:

Action Item: Direction was given to bring forward a by-law for review and approval at the next Council meeting.

d) Report of the CBO – Building Activity Report

The Clerk Administrator presented the Building Activity Report in the CBO's absence. It was reported by March 31, 2015; 15 building permits were issued and 120 inspections have been completed. There was general discussion on replacing the CBO vehicle in the near future.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to follow the procurement by-law and to shop locally for the replacement of a vehicle. Further direction was given to staff to bring a report back with the details of the vehicle acquisition.

7.2 PUBLIC WORKS – No Reports

7.3 CORPORATE SERVICES

a) Report of the Clerk Administrator – Feral Cats

The Clerk Administrator reviewed her report relating to various options regarding solutions for dealing with feral cats within the Township. Options discussed were: by-laws, barn cats, regulations, legislation and involvement of all involved.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to send a letter to the residents advising of possible legal actions.

b) Report of the Treasurer

The Treasurer provided a brief summary of the 2015 actuals to budget first quarter. The report was received as information.

Dealt with item 10.1 at this point in the meeting.

7.4 COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.5 CLERK/MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

a) Report of Reeve

The Reeve provided a verbal update on the following items:

- April 1/2015 – Attended a meeting in the Smiths Falls regarding cost sharing.
- April 3/2015 – Regular weekly meeting with C/A.
- April 10/2015 – Regular weekly meeting with C/A.
- April 11/2015 – Attended the Black Tie Bingo in Codes Mill Perth.
- April 16/2015 – Attended the R.C.L.S. meeting in Tay Valley Council Chambers.
- April 17/2015 – Regular weekly meeting with C/A.
- April 17/2015 – Attended Bob Moore's retirement party.
- April 21/2015 – Attended a meeting in Smiths Falls Hospital regarding funding.
- April 22/2015 – Attended the Lanark County Truck Rodeo held in Beckwith.
- April 24/2015 – Regular weekly meeting with C/A.

The Reeve provided a verbal update from County Council

- Lanark County Council will fund Big Brother and Big Sisters of Lanark County in the amount of \$10,000.
- Lanark County Council will fund People First of Lanark County in the amount of \$2000.

- Lanark County report #PW –07 –2015 draft County By-law to prohibit and regulate harvesting or destruction of trees be deferred back to the Forest Working Group.
- The Economic Development Committee recommends to County Council that the Official Plan Amendment for Carson/Darou be adopted and approved.
- Effective April 1/2015 Lanark County Council no longer requires that Renovate Lanark year loans be registered on title.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to write a congratulatory letter to Shawn James for his achievement in the Lanark County Truck Rodeo.

b) Report from Fire Board - None

c) Report from Library Board - None

d) Report from CA's

Rideau Valley Conservation Authority – Ray Scissons, April 23, 2015

- Presentation on septic & septic re-inspections
- Activity report on Black Rapids Creek
- Report on Memory Lane Tree nomination in honour of the five millionth tree planted
- Report on Ontario Energy Board - Energy East Pipeline Conversion
- Discussion on long term financial planning

Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority – Gail Code, April 15, 2015

- MVCA Planning Advisory and Regulations program – it was noted that MVCA staff have a good reputation for their planning and regulatory work
- Presentation on Dodging the Perfect Storm – Ontario's Flood Management Programs and Services
- Presentation on Ontario's Climate Change Discussion Paper

e) Report from Members of Committee

Drug Strategy Committee – Steve Fournier, April 27, 2015

- PDCI to give support to provide counselling kids
- Mighty Machine at the Festival of Maples

Rideau Heritage Route Tourism Committee, Cindy Halcrow, April 30, 2015

- Annual General Meeting
- Fiona McKean, owner of the Opinicon Inn will be the keynote speaker.

8. CLOSED SESSION – None

9. Unfinished Business

9.1 Pioneer Cemetery

Reeve Churchill reported on the possibility of the Township assuming Pioneer Cemetery. The property ownership status was unclear and requires research to confirm.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to research the cemetery history and report back to the Committee.

10. New Business

10.1 Curbside Fee Increase for 2015

The Treasurer provided an update regarding increasing the curbside collection fee from \$170 to \$190 – which is a \$20 increase. She reported that County and Education taxes were lower than expected. She also reported that the additional \$20 will increase revenue of approximately \$73,400 per year over the next ten years which will be used as a reserve for the waste site. There was general discussion on how best to advertise this information to the public.

MOTION #COW-15-070 (Verbal)

Moved By: Aubrey Churchill
Seconded By: Steve Fournier

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS

THAT Council support the decision to increase the current curbside fee of \$170 to \$190 for the taxation year 2015; and

FURTHERMORE THAT staff shall provide public notice of Council’s intention to pass a by-law at least seven calendar days prior to the Council meeting scheduled for May 12, 2015.

ADOPTED

Action Item: Direction given to staff to provide a notice in the tax bill newsletter explaining the curbside fee collection increase.

11. Adjournment

MOTION #COW-15-071 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Aubrey Churchill

THAT the Committee of the Whole stand adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

ADOPTED

CHAIR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR