



## #19 Minutes Meeting of October 24, 2017 Committee of The Whole

The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 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 (Chair)
George Sachs	Councillor
Ray Scissons	Councillor

**Staff Present:** Cindy Halcrow Clerk Administrator

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 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 October 10, 2017

**MOTION #COW-17-180 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY: Gail Code**  
**SECONDED BY: George Sachs**

**THAT the Committee of the Whole** approves the minutes of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting held on October 10, 2017 as circulated.

**ADOPTED**

#### 3.2 Closed Session Minutes of October 10, 2017

**MOTION #COW-17-181 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY: Gail Code**  
**SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons**

**THAT the Committee of the Whole** approves the minutes of the Closed Session of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on October 10, 2017 as circulated.

**ADOPTED**

#### 4. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION #COW-17-182 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY: George Sachs**  
**SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons**

**THAT the Committee of the Whole** approves the agenda for the October 10, 2017 meeting of the Committee, as presented.

**ADOPTED**

#### 5. Petitions/Delegations/Public Hearings

##### 5.1 Coyotes – Jennifer Bennett

Ms. Bennett said that she has had 8 lambs and 1 calf killed by coyotes this year. The most recent kill occurred 20 feet from the barn. She is afraid to let her young kids play outside in case the coyotes will attack them. She has erected some fencing but cannot fence her whole property. She has even tried hunting them.

Members of Council sympathized with her concerns and agreed that there are too many coyotes in the area. Municipalities can no longer have bounties. It is a provincial responsibilities, Ms. Bennett was urged to write a letter to the local MPP to ask for provincial assistance in reducing the number of coyotes. Council would pass a resolution supporting her cause which she could attach to her letter.

**Action Item:** Staff was directed to work with Ms. Bennett and prepare a resolution for the next meeting that urges the province to take action against the coyote population.

##### 5.2 Archives Lanark Expansion – Grant McFarlane

Mr. McFarlane reviewed the history and future goals of Archives Lanark. Since its inception, they have acquired numerous historical collections and they are now running out of room at the Drummond Center hall. They would like to construct a 1,650 sq ft addition and need Township and Lanark County permission to do this.

Members of the Committee discussed the proposal. In order to make the project feasible for the Township, a long term lease will have to be considered. A quick calculation suggests that the addition would cost about \$500,000 to construct. It was noted that Public Works still uses the shed on the land where the addition is proposed to go. The new shed will have to be constructed to replace the current one. As Lanark County would be paying for the project, Reeve Churchill recommended that Mr. McFarlane arrange to have the County representative who sits on the Archives Lanark Board, Klaas Van Der Meer, make this same presentation to Lanark County.

#### 6. Communication/Correspondence

No items were pulled from the Communication package and the following motion was adopted:

**MOTION #COW-17-182 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY:** Aubrey Churchill  
**SECONDED BY:** Gail Code

**THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** receives the remainder of the communication items for the, 2017 Committee of the Whole as information.

**ADOPTED**

## **7. Committee and Board Reports**

### **7.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - None**

### **7.2 PUBLIC WORKS - None**

### **7.3 CORPORATE SERVICES**

#### **a) Report of the Deputy Clerk – Animal Control/Pound Services**

C. Halcrow reviewed the Deputy Clerk's report. She suggested a decrease in the level of service. There is no need to provide 24/7 hour service so the RFP can be costed on an hourly rate with a different rate for emergency calls. The committee discussed the expense of having an animal control officer with respect to the number of impounded dogs. It was decided to issue the RFP and make a decision once the costing was identified. Councillor Sachs wanted to know what the fine would be for impounded dogs.

**Action Item:** Staff was directed to proceed with the RFP and investigate pound service options.

### **7.4 COMMUNITY SERVICES - None**

### **7.5 CLERK/MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

#### **a) Report of Reeve**

The Reeve provided a verbal update on the following item:

He received a letter from Scott Danford The scouts are running out of room to plant trees at the landfill property and are looking for new properties. They asked him if he knew of anyone who would want the scouts to plant trees on their property. The program is run by RVCA and the scouts are able to plant 2,000-3,000 trees each year at no cost to the property owner.

#### **b) Report from Fire Board – Gail Code**

- The Fire Board met on October 16, 2017
- The budget was passed at 2% increase
- They are looking for more firefighters
- BBDE had 111 calls YTD; last year they had 144 YTD
- South Sherbrooke had 26 calls YTD; and last year they had 45 YTD
- A fire alarm blitz was recently held and they distributed 77 alarms
- The road tolls raised \$6,500 in BBDE and \$1,000 in South Sherbrooke
- As part of the opioid response, the Fire Department will be getting naloxone nasal spray for the rescue vehicle at no cost. All firefighters will be trained on its use.

#### **c) Report from Library Board – George Sachs**

- The Library Board met on October 16, 2017
- Budget was passed with the 2.68% increase; they are anticipating salary increases in

2019 as a result of Bill 148 and put 1.13% in reserves to offset those costs.

- They will be the recipient of BYOB “bring your own bag” campaign by Food Smiths. They will receive five to ten cents for each bag that a customer brings.
- Hours of work changing – 2 hours on Tuesday will move to Monday to provide consistent hours throughout the week
- Website is almost ready for beta testing
- Property Cte meeting – November 6 at 6 p.m.
- Policy Cte meeting on November 13 at 5:30 p.m.
- Library Board meeting on November 20 at 5:30 p.m

#### **d) Report from CA's**

##### **RVCA – Ray Scissons**

- Meeting will be held on October 26, 2017

##### **MVCA – Gail Code**

- Meeting held on October 15, 2017
- MVCA has an excellent Educator at the Mill of Kintail. She can come to council to explain what she does if there is any interest.

#### **e) Report from Members of Committee**

##### **Drug Strategy – Steve Fournier**

- Meeting will be held on October 30, 2017

##### **Environmental Initiatives – George Sachs**

- Meeting will be held on November 21, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

##### **Lake Links – Steve Fournier**

- He attended the Lake Links workshop on October 21. It was well attended with over 200 in attendance. Workshops were held on Site Alteration Policy by Frontenac County, Self-sustainability by North Frontenac, and a survey on Muskrat Lake.

#### **8. CLOSED SESSION - None**

#### **9. Unfinished Business**

##### **9.1. LAWS Pound Services for Cats – from October 10, 2017**

The committee discussed the request from LAWS to provide funding for cat pound services. It was noted that LAWS was unable to get any funding from Lanark County. The Committee received the delegation as information.

##### **9.2 Fergusons Falls Hall Repairs**

C. Halcrow said that she attended a site meeting with the CBO, Reeve and Councillor Fournier on October 12, 2017. As a result of that meeting, several repairs should be made that would remove water from the foundation. Ray Scissons also took a look at the exterior of the building. He said the brick was in good shape and there is no need to clad it. After a brief discussion, it was decided not to fix the floor because it has been in this shape for decades. Gail Code will have her son Darwin Code take another look at the support beams.

**10. New Business**

**10.1 Port Elmsley Hall Inventory**

Cindy Halcrow reviewed the list of surplus items at the Port Elmsley hall. The preference is to give them away as the Township would not get very much for any of the items. She asked if members of council knew any group or organization that could use these items to let her know.

**11. Adjournment**

**MOTION #COW-17-183            (Verbal)**  
**MOVED BY:                      Gail Code**  
**SECONDED BY:                 Ray Scissons**

**THAT the Committee of the Whole stand adjourned at 6:30 p.m.**

**ADOPTED**

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CHAIR

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CLERK ADMINISTRATOR