



## #20 Minutes Meeting of November 14, 2017 Committee of The Whole

The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley Administrative Building, 310 Port Elmsley Rd.

**Members Present:**

Aubrey Churchill	Reeve
Gail Code	Deputy Reeve
George Sachs	Councillor ( <b>Chair</b> )
Ray Scissons	Councillor

**Staff Present:**

Cindy Halcrow	Clerk Administrator
Cathy Ryder	Deputy Clerk
Karl Grenke	Planner

**Absent:** Steve Fournier Councillor

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 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 24, 2017

**MOTION #COW-17-184 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY: Ray Scissons**

**SECONDED BY: Gail Code**

**THAT the Committee of the Whole** approves the minutes of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting held on October 24, 2017 as circulated.

**ADOPTED**

### 4. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION #COW-17-185 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY: Gail Code**

**SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons**

**THAT the Committee of the Whole** approves the agenda for the November 14, 2017 meeting of the Committee as amended.

**ADOPTED**

## **Amendments:**

### 10.3 Bill 148 Update – Volunteer Fire Fighters Amendments

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

##### **5.1 5:10 p.m. Laura Plummer – Deer Tick Population**

Laura Plummer appeared before Council to voice her concerns regarding feeding deer and the spread of ticks. Her neighbours provide a feeding station for deer, and it is spreading ticks unto her property. She reported that there are a lot of young people in her area who are at risk of being bitten by ticks. She has been bitten more in the last 3 years than she has in the last 10. She also said that the deer hosts the ticks that carry Lyme disease and birds and other mammals all feed at the same feeder spreading the disease. She asked Council if there was anything that can be done to ban feeding of deer and thereby reducing the risk of Lyme disease. The presentation was received as information.

##### **5.2 5:20 p.m. Bob Fairchild – Unopened Road Allowance Conc. 10 and 11 Drummond**

Mr. Fairchild appeared before Council to request permission to survey the road allowance between Concession 10 and 11, at his cost, to access his land. He has used the access road for 30 years and it crosses several properties on Lots 1, 2 and 3. When a neighbour purchased the property, they no longer permitted him to use the access road. Mr. Fairchild said that the Township owns the road access and he has the copies of the deeds. There was general discussion on the logistics of access to his lands and next steps. The Reeve reported that MNR would have to give permission because of the wetlands. A deposit would be required from Mr. Fairchild if the survey is to be completed.

**Action Item:** Direction given for Mr. Fairchild to meet with the Public Works Manager and Clerk Administrator to review before proceeding.

##### **5.3 Zoning Amendment Public Meetings**

Paul and Corrine Thompson  
Leonard McFadden

**ZA-14-06**

**Paul and Corrine Thompson (2919 Concession 7)**

**ZA-17-07**

**Leonard McFadden (1002 Armstrong Road)**

Public (signed in): Bob Fairchild, Deb McFadden, Laura Plummer, Tracy Zander.

#### **Call to Order**

Councillor George Sachs opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

#### **Purpose of Meeting**

Councillor Scissons advised that the purpose of the meeting is to consider two zoning amendment applications under Section 34 of the Planning Act. He advised that the public meeting is the opportunity to provide any feedback in favour or in opposition to a proposed amendment and that the OMB may refuse to consider an appeal by someone who does not participate in the process.

## **Presentation**

Councillor Sachs invited Township Planner Karl Grenke to summarize each application and report on the notification.

### **Planner's report and presentation**

Mr. Grenke described the Thompson application, noting that it applies to a roughly 41 acre portion of a larger lot within a designated prime agricultural area. This zoning amendment application is associated with a consent application that was provisionally approved by Lanark County that severed a 5.5 acre parcel around the existing house and barn. As required by the Official Plan and for the purposes of protecting prime agricultural land, the 'retained' farmland must be rezoned to prohibit residential development. A technical amendment is also necessary to recognize a reduced lot size.

This application was submitted in fulfillment of the County's severance condition and to satisfy the requirement of the Official Plan. He noted the amendment only applies to the portion of the lands currently zoned Agricultural and would not affect the Rural and Wetland areas to the rear. Mr. Grenke described the lot and summarized the notification.

Mr. Grenke then described the McFadden application, which seeks approval to construct a garden suite as a temporary use on the Rural zoned lot. Mr. Grenke noted that the Zoning By-law allows only one dwelling per lot; however an exception can be created for garden suites also known as granny flats where the need is required. As per the Planning Act, this permission would extend for 20 years and will be renewable unless the need is removed earlier, at which point the structure would need to be removed or rendered uninhabitable. Mr. Grenke described the property and notification process.

Following the description of each application Mr. Grenke described the evaluation process for a zoning amendment application and the next steps. He noted that a decision would not be made on either application this evening, a report and recommendation would follow at the next meeting. Council's decision can be appealed to the OMB.

### **Public Hearing**

Councillor Sachs described the hearing process and reminded the audience that comments do form part of the public record. He asked that comments be directed through the chair and advised that written comments can also be provided.

### **Presentations and Discussion- Thompson**

Councillor Sachs opened the floor for discussion on the Thompson application.

Councillor Sachs asked if there were any members of the public who wish to speak to the application. There were none.

Councillor Sachs asked if the applicants had any closing remarks regarding the application.

Tracy Zander spoke on behalf of the applicants and clarified the technical aspect of the zoning. She confirmed that the application would only apply to the retained lands that are zoned Agricultural.

Councillor Sachs asked if there were any questions by Council.

Deputy Reeve Code looked for clarification on what area of land is being sold. Ms. Zander confirmed that the proponents are selling the house and that the farmland is being retained by them. She noted that the intent of the application is that the retained lands remain reserved for agricultural use.

Councillor Sachs adjourned this portion of the public meeting at 5:47.

### **Presentations and Discussion - McFadden**

Councillor Sachs opened the floor for discussion on the McFadden application.

Councillor Sachs asked if there were any members of the public who wish to speak to the application. There were none.

Councillor Sachs asked if the applicants had any closing remarks regarding the application. There were none.

Councillor Sachs asked if there were any questions by Council. There were none.  
Councillor Sachs adjourned this portion of the public meeting at 5:48.

### **Closing Remarks**

Councillor Sachs reminded the audience that any person wishing further notice of the decision regarding either application is asked to leave their full name and address on the sign-in sheet located on the table by the door prior to leaving the meeting.

## **6. Communication/Correspondence**

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

**MOTION #COW-17-186 (Verbal)**

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

**THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** receives the communication items for the November 14, 2017 Committee of the Whole as information.

**ADOPTED**

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

**7.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** No Reports

**7.2 PUBLIC WORKS:** No Reports

### **7.3 CORPORATE SERVICES**

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

The Deputy Clerk provided a status update on the Animal Control RFP and reported on pound services options for dogs. There was general discussion on the costs and the need for providing animal control services. Council agreed that they would not offer animal control services or pound services. They would try it for a year and revisit the issue after one-year.

**MOTION #COW-17-187 (Verbal)**

**MOVED BY: Aubrey Churchill**  
**SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons**

**THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,**  
**THAT Council** rejects the RFPs for Animal Control Services; and

**FURTHERMORE THAT** the Township will not be providing animal control or pound services for a one-year trial period; and

**FURTHERMORE THAT** the Animal Control By-law be repealed.

**ADOPTED**

**Action Item:** Direction given to staff to prepare a public awareness campaign to educate residents on responsible pet ownership.

**b) Report of the Clerk Administrator – Annual Accessibility Update**

The Clerk Administrator provided a review on accessibility achievements in 2017 noting that commitments and strategies for 2017 have been completed with the exception of the website refresh which will occur in 2018. The Port Elmsley Hall will be removed from the list as it has been sold.

**MOTION #COW-17-188 Verbal**

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

**THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,**  
**THAT Council** approves the annual update of the Township's Accessibility Plan.

**ADOPTED**

**Action Item:** Direction given to staff to hire a structural engineer to review the previous report and compare if anything had changed relating to the building.

**c) Report of the Clerk Administrator – Coutts Bay Land Transfer**

The Clerk Administrator reviewed her report regarding the Coutts Bay land transfer between John McLaughlin and the Township to accommodate a new larger turning circle for Township snow plowing operations. The Committee accepted the recommendation to complete the land transfer and the following motion was adopted:

**MOTION #COW-17-189 Verbal**

**MOVED BY: Aubrey Churchill**  
**SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons**

**THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,**  
**THAT Council** approve the exchange of lands between the Township and John McLaughlin

whereby the Township deeds Part 1 on 27R-2264 and Parts 2 on 27R-10943 to John McLaughlin and John McLaughlin transfers Part 1 on 27R10943 to the Township;

**AND FURTHERMORE THAT** the Township declares Part of Lot 21 Concession 5, Geographic Township of North Elmsley designated as Part 1 on 27-2264 and Parts 2 on 27R-10943 surplus to municipal needs;

**AND FURTHERMORE THAT** a By-law stopping up, closing and conveying Part 1 on 27R-2264 and Part 2 on 27R-10943 to John McLaughlin be brought to a future Council meeting for passage;

**AND FURTHERMORE THAT** the Clerk Administrator be authorized to execute all documents with respect to the lands transfer.

**ADOPTED**

## **7.4 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

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

**a) Report of Reeve – No report**

**b) Report from Fire Board**

- Next meeting December 11

**c) Report from Library Board**

- Next Board meeting November 20

**d) Report from CA's**

#### **RVCA, Ray Scissons, October 26**

- Discussion on the Goulbourn Wetlands Project – City of Ottawa not maintaining the drains
- Flood and Regulation mapping on Rideau River - staff wanted to regulate now, but were turned down
- 2018 fees for planning advisory and regulation services
- Next meeting November 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### **MVCA, Gail Code**

- Next meeting December 13

#### **Environmental Initiatives Committee, George Sachs**

- Next meeting November 21

**e) Report from Members of Committee**

Cindy Halcrow - Lanark County Economic Development Strategic Plan

- Provided the Lanark County Economic Development Strategic Plan for review. A report will come back to Council for discussion at a future meeting.

**8. CLOSED SESSION:** None

**9. Unfinished Business**

### 9.1 Coyote/Wolf Resolution

The Deputy Clerk presented the coyote resolution requesting the Province to assist in reducing the number of coyote and wolf predation.

**MOTION #COW-17-190**                      **Verbal**

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

**WHEREAS** residents and farm families in particular, have expressed serious concerns about the increasing numbers of nuisance coyotes and wolves in the area;

**AND WHEREAS** in recent years, coyotes and wolves have become prolific and attacks on young calves, lambs and sheep have increased;

**AND WHEREAS** livestock owners carry the financial burden of protecting their livestock from predators;

**AND WHEREAS** some livestock owners are reconsidering expansion plans for their livestock production due to growing concerns about the number of coyotes and wolves;

**AND WHEREAS** there currently exists no policy or regulation which monitors control of these nuisance coyotes and wolves;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley supports the farming community in its effort to control the coyote and wolf population to protect their livestock;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Drummond/North requests the Province of Ontario to develop a solution to reduce the nuisance coyote and wolf predation;

**AND FURTHERMORE THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to MPP Randy Hillier and Lanark County municipalities for support.

**ADOPTED**

### 10. New Business

#### 10.1 Canal Bank/Riverside Drive Update

Reeve Churchill reported that the Township was in partnership with the Town of Perth for an agreement for the design and approval for Canal Bank/Riverside Drive. The Town of Perth will complete the project on their own and the agreement has been pulled. A new maintenance agreement will be prepared for the road.

#### 10.2 Election Update

The Deputy Clerk reported that a by-law needed to be passed by May 1, 2017 to include alternative voting for the 2018 Election. The by-law did not get signed therefore alternative voting will not be permitted in the 2018 Election. The 2018 Election will be traditional paper ballot voting only.

**MOTION #COW-17-191**                      **Verbal**

**MOVED BY:** Aubrey Churchill  
**SECONDED BY:** Ray Scissons

**THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,**  
**THAT** Resolution #16-125 B5 Alternative Voting Methods be repealed, and

**FURTHERMORE THAT** the polls be dissolved from 5 polls to 1 poll in Drummond Ward and from 8 polls to 1 poll in North Elmsley Ward.

**ADOPTED**

**10.3 Bill 148 – Volunteer Fire Fighters Amendments**  
Received as information

## **11. Adjournment**

**MOTION #COW-17-190** (Verbal)

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

**THAT the Committee of the Whole** stand adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

**ADOPTED**

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CHAIR

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CLERK ADMINISTRATOR