



#25 MINUTES MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2013 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley Administrative Building, 310 Port Elmsley Rd.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Aubrey Churchill	Reeve
	Gail Code	Deputy Reeve (CHAIR)
	Ken Fournier	Councillor
	Ray Scissons	Councillor
	Peter Wagland	Councillor
STAFF PRESENT:	Cindy Halcrow	Clerk Administrator
	Cathy Ryder	Deputy Clerk
	Scott Cameron	Manager of Public Works
	Karl Grenke	Planner

Councillor Peter Wagland chaired the meeting until Deputy Reeve Gail Code arrived.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 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 disclosed a pecuniary interest.

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1 Regular Session Minutes of December 3, 2013

MOTION #COW-13-177 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ken Fournier

SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons

THAT the Committee of the Whole approves the minutes of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting held on December 3, 2013 as circulated.

ADOPTED

3.2 Closed Session Minutes of November 19, 2013

MOTION #COW-12-178 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons

SECONDED BY: Ken Fournier

THAT the Committee of the Whole approves the minutes of the Closed Session Committee of the Whole meeting held on November 19, 2013 as circulated.

ADOPTED

4. Additions and Approval of Agenda

MOTION #COW-13-179 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Ken Fournier

THAT the Committee of the Whole approves the agenda for the December 17, 2013 meeting of the Committee, as presented.

ADOPTED

Reeve Aubrey Churchill arrived at 1:15

5. Petitions/Delegations/Public Hearings

5.1 Marie White – Lanark County Municipal Partnership Presentation

Marie White congratulated the Township on achieving the 2013 OHvation Customer Service Leader designation. She then made a brief presentation to Council on the possible placement of tourism boxes in front of the Township tourism areas to provide after-hours information to visitors. The boxes would hold information such as maps, list of local attractions, a “you are here” logo, washroom locations, etc.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to refer this item to the 200th Anniversary Committee for review.

5.2 Doug Militky – Re-zoning Application

The Militky’s made a presentation to Council regarding relocating their paintball operation to the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley. They provided Council with an overview of their company Marked – a paintball, airsoft and laser tag operation. They discussed the possibility of expanding their activities to include extra amenities to offer a one stop shop for family entertainment and possibly expand into a winter sports market.

The Planner provided an overview of the required re-zoning to Highway Commercial Special Exception. (See Item 7.2 d)

5.3 Robert Cosh – Otty Lake Association – Internet Voting

President Robert Cosh, Otty Lake Association, made a presentation to Council to request Council to reconsider the decision to not provide internet voting for the 2014 election. Mr. Cosh provided the following statistics:

- D/NE has approximately 429 seasonal/recreational property owners
- 429 properties could equal 750 – 800 votes
- 130 properties on Otty Lake are listed as seasonal/recreation
- Seasonal/recreational property owners equal 10% of the voting population

He stated that seasonal residents pay significant property taxes and should have the same rights as all residents when it comes to participating in municipal affairs including elections. Mr. Cosh presented

the following concerns:

- other municipalities are offering this option to their residents
- the Township might be viewed as lagging behind in technology
- internet voting would offer residents a choice especially during inclement weather
- seasonal residents do not have the opportunity to vote as they reside elsewhere during elections

Reeve Churchill stated that the costs associated with internet voting is not a onetime cost but a cost that would be incurred every election. Councillor Scissons said that it is important that waterfront people are provided the opportunity to vote. Councillor Fournier stated that the cost for internet voting is over half the cost of traditional voting and that statistics have not been proven to support a real strong voting turnout increase.

Reeve Churchill assumed the chair at 1:43 p.m. to allow Councillor Wagland to participate in the discussion.

Councillor Wagland asked Mr. Cosh, as a lakefront property owner, who pays a larger share of taxes compared to someone who does not live on the lake, if he would be prepared to pay the extra costs associated with providing two methods of voting? Mr. Cosh and the audience members said they do support the additional costs. Councillor Wagland presented an option to Council to provide internet voting only with no traditional voting as this would cut down on costs. He stated that of the 80% of eligible voters 20% are seniors and 60% are between the ages of 20 - 65. He stated that time is important to families and providing internet voting is important to working families

Councillor Wagland presented a motion to reconsider the decision of Council (#13-141) on the use of providing internet voting for the 2014 Election:

MOTION #COW-13-180 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Peter Wagland
SECONDED BY: Ray Scissons

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,
THAT Council agrees to reconsider the motion #13-141 of November 12, 2013 to support the use of internet voting in the 2014 election.

DEFEATED

Councillor Wagland assumed the chair.

6. Communication/Correspondence

No items were pulled from the Communication package although the following items were discussed before the motion was adopted:

#13 OPP Billing Model

MOTION #COW-13-181 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Ken Fournier

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,
THAT Council does hereby support Tay Valley Township's resolution to request the Province of Ontario to step in and abolish the OPP New Billing Model.

ADOPTED

#14 c: Rideau Ferry Cemetery Board – Financial Support Request
Councillor Wagland asked that the Rideau Ferry Cemetery Board be contacted and request that they provide the Township with a copy of their budget.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to contact the Rideau Ferry Cemetery Board requesting a copy of their budget.

MOTION #COW-13-182 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Ken Fournier

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,
THAT receives the remainder of the communication items for the December 17, 2013 Committee of the Whole as information.

ADOPTED

7. Committee and Board Reports

7.1 PUBLIC WORKS – None

7.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

a) Report of the Planner – Year End Severances

The Planner provided a status report on severance applications for the second half of 2013. The report was received as information.

Action Item: Direction given to report to Council on future consent applications where additional planning approvals or road extensions are required, or where staff recommendations would be denied.

b) Report of the Planner – Year End Variances

The Planner provided a status report on minor variance applications considered in 2013 by the Committee of the Adjustment. The report was received as information.

c) Report of the Planner – Year End D/NE 200th Committee

The Planner provided a year end update on the proceedings of the 200th Anniversary Committee. The report was received as information.

d) Report of the Planner – Marked Paint Ball Re-Zoning

The Planner provided an update on a zoning amendment application that would see the relocation of a paintball business to Drummond/North Elmsley from its existing site in a rural portion of the City of Ottawa. Property just northeast of Innisville is being considered and it is currently zoned as Rural which would not allow for the operation of a paintball centre and an application to rezong to CH-X has been received. The Planner presented options for the Committee to consider and the Committee agreed to process the application as is now, while knowing and agreeing that development will not proceed until an EIS is completed, and incorporating any conditions of the

EIS into the site plan agreement which will be triggered by the proposed use.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to proceed with Option 2 and to set a public hearing date for of January 28, 2013.

Deputy Reeve Gail Code arrived at 2:05 p.m.

e) Report of the Planner – Vandenberg Re-Zoning

The Planner provided an update on the zoning amendment application from Limited Services Residential to LSR – Special Exception for 131 Maple Crest Lane to recognize existing non-conforming home occupation (spa) on property, recognize existing non-complying structures on property and permit construction on an addition and garage within required rear yard setbacks. The Committee accepted the recommendation of the Planner with the following direction:

Action Item: Direction given to staff to proceed to a public hearing on February 11, 2014.

f) Report of the RA Coordinator – Private Road Name

The Planner provided an update on severances which were created several years ago on the Mississippi River but the Rural Addressing was established off of Hwy 511. In order to meet the requirements of the Rural Addressing Project a resolution is required to formally recognize Gibson Lane as a named private lane to facilitate emergency access.

MOTION #COW-13-183 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Aubrey Churchill

SECONDED BY: Gail Code

**THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,
THAT Council formally recognizes Gibson Lane as a Private Road and accepts the name.**

ADOPTED

7.3 CORPORATE SERVICES

a) Report of the C/A – One Third Allowance Report

The Clerk Administrator provided a review of the one-third tax allowance benefits for members of Council for the term of Council 2010-2014. Each term Council must review the continuation of the one-third tax free provision of their total remuneration; sales, honorariums, general expenses, mileage and travel allowances.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to bring a by-law forward for review and passage to the December 17th Council meeting.

Deputy Reeve Gail Code assumed the chair at 2:12 p.m.

b) Report of the C/A – Integrated Accessibility Standards

The Clerk Administrator provided a review of the Accessibility of Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 to achieve accessibility for Ontarians with disabilities in five important areas of their lives within specified time limits; customer service, information and communications, employment, transportation and built environment. She stated that Council has to approve our policies pursuant to the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulations.

Action Item: Direction given to staff to bring a by-law forward for review and passage at the next Council meeting to adopt accessibility policies in accordance with the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation and present a by-law to amend the Procurement By-law with respect to accessibility.

c) Report of the Treasurer – Reg. 284-09 Budget Impacts
The Treasurer provided an overview of the Budget Expense Matters in order to comply with the annual reporting required under O. Reg. 284/09 Budget Matters – Expenses. The Committee accepted the report and the following motion was adopted:

MOTION #COW-13-184 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Aubrey Churchill

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,
THAT Council adopts the report on Budget Expense Matters, in accordance with O Reg. 284/09.

ADOPTED

7.4 COMMUNITY SERVICES - None

7.5 CLERK/MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

a) Report of Reeve

The Reeve provided an update from the Lanark County Council Inaugural meeting of December 17, 2013:

- Gail Code elected to Striking Committee
- New Warden is Richard Kidd, Beckwith Township

County Committee Chairs:

- Corporate Services – Bill Dobson, Montague Township
- Community Services – Sharon Mousseau, Beckwith Township
- Community Development – Keith Kerr, Tay Valley
- Public Works – Peter McLaren – Lanark Highlands

b) Report from Fire Board - None

c) Report from Library Board – None

d) Report from CA's

Rideau Valley Conservation Authority – Ray Scissons

- December 12, 2013 no items directly relating to D/NE

e) Report from Members of Committee - None

Recessed at 2:25 p.m.

Reconvened at 2:34 p.m.

8. CLOSED SESSION

8.1 Litigation or potential litigation relating to recycling contract.

MOTION #COW-13-185 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ken Fournier
SECONDED BY: Peter Wagland

THAT the Committee of the Whole shall hereby hold closed session of Committee of the Whole at 2:35 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to litigation or potential litigation affecting the Township;

AND THAT the Clerk Administrator, Treasurer and Public Works Manager remain in the room.

ADOPTED

MOTION #COW-13-186 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Peter Wagland

THAT the Committee of the Whole shall hereby return to regular session of the Committee of the Whole at 2:59 p.m.

ADOPTED

RISE AND REPORT

The Committee accepted the update from the Manager of Public Works as information.

9. Unfinished Business - None

10. New/Other Business

10.1 Asset Management Plan Resolution

Adam O’Connor and the Clerk Administrator provided an overview of the Asset Management Plan. The Committee accepted the recommendations and the following motion was adopted:

MOTION #COW-13-187 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Ray Scissons
SECONDED BY: Peter Wagland

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL,
THAT Council approves the Asset Management Plan prepared by McIntosh & Perry.

ADOPTED

11. Adjournment

MOTION #COW-13-188 (Verbal)

MOVED BY: Peter Wagland

SECONDED BY: Ken Fournier

THAT the Committee of the Whole stand adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

ADOPTED

CHAIR

CLERK ADMINISTRATOR