

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

March 14, 2013

There was a Meeting of the Council of the Township of Horton held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday March 14, 2013. Present were Mayor Don Eady, Councillor Bob Kingsbury, Councillor Glen Campbell and Councillor Jamey Larone. Staff present was Mackie McLaren, CAO/Clerk and Christina Mulcahey, Receptionist/Clerk. Absent was Councillor Margaret Whyte.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eady called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Larone declared pecuniary interest on agenda number 8 and Mayor Don Eady declared conflict of interest on the awarding of Tender REC 2013-01.

3. MINUTES OF

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-064**

Seconded by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**THAT** Council approves the following Council Meeting minutes:

- Regular Council Meeting February 5, 2013
- Public Meeting – Gould Zoning Amendment February 5, 2013

**Carried.**

The CAO/Clerk read his report on the revised Council Minutes of December 4 2012 and informed Council that a resolution was missed.

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-065**

Seconded by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**THAT** Council approves the revised minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 04, 2013.

**Carried.**

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Councillor Larone asked if there will still be M.O.E representative attending the Planning Committee meeting on March 19<sup>th</sup> 2013. The CAO/Clerk confirmed yes.

Mayor Eady referred to the minutes of the February 5<sup>th</sup> 2013 Council meeting. On page four of the minutes he asked if the Registration Fee for conferences is included in the Conferences and Mileage amount in the remuneration statement. CAO/Clerk replied yes it would be. Mayor Eady noted he believes that is not part of their salary and should not be included.

5. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA AND APPROVE AGENDA

There were no items to be added to the Agenda.

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-066**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

**THAT** Council approves the agenda for the March 14<sup>th</sup> 2013 Council Meeting.

**Carried.**

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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**4:15 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Chair Campbell reviewed the minutes of the February 16, 2013 Committee meeting.

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-067**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council approves the following Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes:

Public Works Regular Committee Meeting – February 16, 2013

**Carried.**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-068**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council on recommendation of the Public Works Committee proceed with the purchase of the ¾ ton truck and accept the tender of Mack Mackenzie Motors in the amount of \$37,774.27 (includes HST). This price includes the plough and mirrors and side windows as quoted in the tender specs. **Carried.**

**4:30 WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

There was no Waste Management Committee Meeting in February 2013.

**4:30 FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Finance Manager Jennifer Barr was present.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING –February 2013**

Council reviewed the accounts payable listing for February 2013.

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-069**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

**THAT** Council approves the February 2013 Accounts Payable Vouchers in the amount of \$179,877.79.

**Carried.**

**TAX ARREARS REPORT & FINANCIAL REPORTS– FEBRUARY 2013**

Council reviewed the tax arrears report and financial reports for February 2013.

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-070**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council approves the February 2013 Tax Arrears Report and the February 2013 Finance Reports.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-071**

Seconded by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**THAT** Council adopts the 2012 Financial Statements submitted by MacKillican and Associates, auditors for the Township.

**Carried.**

**FIRE COMMITTEE**

There was no meeting in February 2013.

**4:45 RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Councillor Kingsbury reviewed the minutes of the March 5, 2013 Committee Meeting. He noted that the Committee is requesting Council to consider using the rink facility as a rental space for outdoor events. Councillor Kingsbury said he would like to see this go back to the

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Committee for more information to be provided before Council makes a decision.

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-072**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council accepts the minutes of the Recreation Meeting held on March 5, 2013. **Carried.**

Councillor Kingsbury reviewed the tenders that were opened at the Committee Meeting and noted that the frame in work for Tender REC 2013-02 had been done prior to putting the job out for tender; therefore the job will also be completed by this person.

Councillor Kingsbury also reviewed the mesh netting that was suggested for the rink at the community center to deal with the pigeon problems. There has been a new suggestion to use a product called "Pest No Problem" which is a high frequency sound generator that distracts birds. The CAO/Clerk gave a brief report on this product and all of Council decided to try it.

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-073**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

**THAT** Council approves the purchase of the product "Pest No Problem" at the cost of \$400 plus Tax and Duty.

**Carried.**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Mayor Eady declared "conflict" of interest and vacated the Chair. Acting Mayor Kingsbury called the vote.

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-074**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council on recommendation of the Recreation Committee accepts the quote received for tender REC 2013-01 The Foam Strip under ridge vent from Lloyd Eady Construction at a price of \$734.50 incl HST.

**Carried.**

Mayor Eady returned to the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-075**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

**THAT** Council on recommendation of the Recreation Committee authorizes the installation of an automatic transfer switch at the Community Centre for the generator. The cost is to be split equally between Recreation and Emergency Planning. **Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-076**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

That Council on recommendation of the Recreation Committee, agrees to create a Community Hall Expansion sub-committee to lead the expansion project to the Community Centre. Further that Council appoints the following people to sit as members of this sub-committee:

Randy Corbin  
Jamie Holmes  
Ralph Miller  
Valerie Miller  
Dave Bennett  
Councillor Jamey Larone  
Councillor Glen Campbell  
Mayor Don Eady  
Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**Carried.**

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**5:40 PLANNING COMMITTEE**

There was no Planning Committee Meeting held in February 2013.

**HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

The CAO/Clerk reviewed the report from by Rose Curley, Administrative Assistant on the Co-Op program offered by Algonquin College in Pembroke.

Councillor Larone noted that there will be times that an opportunity arises in the future similar to this where we have to work with a timeline for submissions deadlines. He suggested there should be a policy in place that directs the CAO/Clerk to contact the Mayor and Councillors rather than waiting for a meeting to proceed with the application to avoid delays.

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-077**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council authorizes staff to submit an application for a college co-op student under the “Co-op Works” program offered jointly through Algonquin College – Pembroke campus and Community Futures.

**Carried.**

**HOME SUPPORT**

There were no reports for February 2013.

**COMMUNITY POLICING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CPAC)**

There was no information to review.

**BUILDING REPORT**

There was no Building Report to review.

**EMERGENCY PLAN PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**

Steve Osipenko, Community Emergency Management Coordinator would like to meet with Council on April 16, 2013 at 3:00p.m prior to the start of the Planning Committee meeting.

**5:50 BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

Councillor Campbell reviewed the minutes of the February 8, 2013 Committee meeting.

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-078**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council accepts the minutes of the February 8, 2013 Infrastructure Committee meeting.

**Carried.**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The CAO/Clerk reviewed the quotation received for supply and installation of a propane furnace for the Council Chambers in the Municipal Office. After discussion

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-079**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

**THAT** Council authorizes the calling of a tender for supply and installation of a new furnace at the Municipal Office. Tender form to have an 2 options – Part A is to replace the existing 1970’s forced air oil furnace and Part B is for a price to run new duct work into the office addition which currently has wall mounted electric heater/air conditioner units in each office.

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-080**

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Seconded by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**THAT** Council agrees to have to sign at the Community Center repaired as soon as possible. **Carried.**

#### **CONFERENCE REPORTS**

Councillor Campbell reviewed his report from the OGRA Conference he attended.

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-081**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council accepts the OGRA Conference Report submitted by Councillor Glen Campbell. **Carried.**

#### 7. CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY

##### **INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE MARCH 14, 2013**

- A. Renfrew & Area Chamber of Commerce – February newsletter
- B. Emergency Management Ontario – letter of congratulation for completing the mandatory emergency management program elements
- C. Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization – future motorcycle tourism in Ontario
- D. Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation – MRI Awareness Month
- E. OWMA – Cabinet shuffle, throne speech
- F. Daily Commercial News – Infrastructure needs alternative financing
- G. The Risk Reporter–expanded liability imposed by the Safe Drinking Water Act
- H. Ottawa Valley Business – February 2013 newsletters
- I. Township of South Algonquin – invitation to attend a public meeting in Madawaska on April 06, 2013
- J. Minister Responsible for Seniors – Ontario Senior of the Year nominations
- K. Mississippi Mills – submission to Minister of the Environment re: banning of septage on farmers’ fields
- L. County of Renfrew- Council Communique – February 2013
- M. Legal Matters – Winter 2013
- N. Letter from Clinton Shane Ekdahl – founder of “Day of the Honey Bee”
- O. AMCTO – Enabling Change Accessibility Newsletter – winter edition

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-082**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council receive the March 14, 2013 Information Correspondence Summary.

**Carried.**

##### **ACTION CORRESPONDENCE MARCH 14, 2013**

- A. County of Renfrew/Township of Whitewater Region  
– supports the resolution of the Township of Greater Madawaska regarding the intent of Bill 121 to compel arbitrators to consider a municipality's ability to pay for a demanded public pay raise before issuing a decision and to detail their consideration of such factors in writing.

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-083**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

That the Township of Horton supports the County of Renfrew and the Township of Greater Madawaska regarding support for the intent of Bill 121 to compel arbitrators to consider a municipality's ability to pay for a demanded public pay raise before issuing a decision and to detail their consideration of such factors in writing. Further, that all three political parties in the legislature are requested to work together in a co-operative manner to arrive at an acceptable solution devoid of political partisanship.

**Carried.**

- B. Town of Bancroft – support for their resolution calling on the Provincial Government, Ministry of Finance, to reconsider their decision to end Connecting Link funding opportunity for Municipalities and to consider Provincial significance of Connecting Link highway based on annual use, and in good faith to consider municipal ability to pay, that will have a negative impact on municipal performance and Provincial expectations.

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-084**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

That Council supports the resolution of the Town of Bancroft which calls on the Provincial Government, Ministry of Finance, to reconsider their decision to end Connecting Link funding opportunity for Municipalities and to consider Provincial significance of Connecting Link highway based on annual use, and in good faith to consider municipal ability to pay, that will have a negative impact on municipal performance and Provincial expectations.

**Carried.**

## 8. DELEGATIONS

Councillor Larone had declared pecuniary interest and left the Council Chambers.

### 5:30p.m – Sandra Mercer – Library Fees

Ms. Mercer was present to request that Council consider reimbursing the fee that Horton residents are now required to pay to use the Renfrew Public Library. She stated that it is important for seniors to exercise their minds and she loves to read. She has not been able to access the Library as she cannot afford the fee at this time. CAO/Clerk explained the situation that Horton is in as the Library has asked for more money than the Township can commit to. Mayor Eady said it will be brought to the Finance Committee and there could be a recommendation to Council at their next meeting. CAO/Clerk said also there would be an advertisement in the newspaper if there was a decision made. Mayor Eady thanked Ms. Mercer for attending and expressing her concerns.

Councillor Larone returned to the Council Chambers.

## 9. RESOLUTIONS – None

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

Committee Restructuring – Councillor Kingsbury noted this should be kept on the agenda for a later date.

## 11. BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO.2013-085**

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Seconded by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**THAT** Council agrees to enact and pass the following By-laws:

- 2013-17 Recreation User Fee Agreement
- 2013-18 Asset Management Agreement

**Carried.**

12. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA – There were none
13. COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS / CONCERNS – None at this time
14. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION – None
15. CLOSED MEETING
16. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Councillor Jamey Larone

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-086**

Seconded by Councillor Glen Campbell

**THAT** Council enacts By-law 2013-19, a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Township of Horton at the Regular Council meeting held on February 5, 2013.

**Carried.**

17. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Glen Campbell

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-087**

Seconded by Councillor Jamey Larone

**THAT** Council adjourn this Regular Council Meeting at 6:45 p.m.

**Carried.**

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MAYOR

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CAO/CLERK