

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

Special Council Meeting

May 12th, 2017

There was a Special Council Meeting held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Monday May 12th, 2017. Present was Mayor Robert Kingsbury, Deputy Mayor Robert A. Johnston, Councillor Dave Bennett, Councillor Glen Campbell and Councillor Jamey Larone. Staff present was Suzanne Klatt, CAO/Clerk, Jennifer Barr, Treasurer, Janet Collins, Public Works Manager, Rod Eady, Public Works Supervisor and Hope Dillabough, Deputy Clerk – Recording Secretary. Also present was Alternate CEMC Amber Hultink.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kingsbury called the Meeting to Order at 2:00 pm.

2. MEMBERS, STAFF AND THE PUBLIC REQUESTED TO TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest expressed by Members of Council or Staff.

4. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- Landfill Site Fees – waive fees, how many loads, proof of ownership, hours of operation, ECA compliance
- Landfill Staffing
- Grinding of Debris – debris must be segregated, procurement bylaw
- Staff Remuneration – any hours incurred after normal operating, must be paid out not banked
- Recovery – Sand and Sand Bag drop off locations (use bins – Beaumens/Canada Waste/Topps) then haul to dome-contractors to collect (95% funding)
- Private Roads – need to be assessed, clearing of debris – who is responsible, is the cost covered under the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance Program; use of contractors (95% funding)
- Monetary Donations – direct towards – BBQ, Fire Association, help your neighbor ?
- Thank You event – Community BBQ

These items were discussed in length. Councillor Bennett questioned whether the tipping fees from items due to flooding would be covered under the Disaster Relief program. CAO/Clerk Suzanne Klatt stated that tipping fees would not be covered; however, if that material is grinded, the grinding would be covered. In relation to that, contractors who pick up debris material (roll-out bins etc.) can be claimed as well as expenses regarding to the landfill site if it's opened outside of the regular hours.

CAO/Clerk Klatt presented some items for discussion purposes. Wellness checks were performed to each road and private lane that was affected by the flood, by Steve Osipenko, Hope Dillabough and Peter Storie. Data was subsequently compiled to show that approximately 69 primary residences and 96 seasonal residences were affected.

A Private Roads strategy was discussed in terms of bringing the Private Roads back up to pre-flood conditions. This will not include maintenance and/or upkeep and only private roads on the affected list will be considered. CAO/Clerk Klatt mentioned that generally private roads aren't covered under circumstances, but under what Horton Township is proposing to do, it may be covered, however she couldn't confirm anything at this time.

The CAO/Clerk provided a template advertisement inviting Contractors to offer Flood and road construction services. Councillor Bennett cautioned on putting

the two jobs together as demolition clean-up is quite different than road work. He also questioned why debris clean-up wouldn't be involved on private property, such as picking up stumps and trees, as it would be hard for a property owner to manage. Janet Collins, Public Works Manager cautioned cleaning up on private property. Mrs. Klatt said the intention was to push the clean-up on private lanes, not private property. Councillor Campbell agreed that debris on private roads need to be cleaned up however expressed caution on township employees, trucks and machinery on private lanes. Access and size of machinery needs to be considered. Treasurer Jennifer Barr stated that Township employees shouldn't be on private roads for this purpose as it should be contracted out to receive funding from the Province.

Sandbags and Sandbag recovery was discussed. Mrs. Klatt informed Council that CEMC Steve Osipenko stressed that sandbags should remain intact and property owners should not remove any berms they have constructed as of yet. Mayor Kingsbury agreed that this will be the Township's message until there is word from the Ministry of Natural Resources on how to handle the sand as well as how the township will be handling the disposal of sandbags.

The Landfill Site and fees were discussed. Councillor Larone felt that if there's an alternative to filling up the landfill site with flood debris than it should be looked into as well as recouping any fees. Mrs. Barr stressed that a decision needs to be made. If the work is contracted out, the township can claim it and get the money back but they also must meet a certain threshold. Mrs. Klatt spoke to three Contractors for prices/quotes regarding clean-up for roll-off dumpsters where items can be brought to certain areas and gave these amounts to Council. Councillor Larone liked the idea of staff not handling any of the debris and that contracting it out is the way to go as then there would be a material transfer and not even enter into the landfill site. Councillor Bennett felt, at this time, landfill fees should be waived and put flood waste in a separate area of the landfill until Council figures out what is going to take place regarding the contracting out of services. There was Council consensus to waive landfill fees for flood waste, segregate it and have the Landfill Operator fill out the load information. Rod Eady, Public Works Supervisor felt they needed to bring in someone to help with the flood debris loads coming into the landfill. Council agreed to hire a casual Landfill Site Attendant.

Mrs. Collins questioned whether they would be accepting stumps at the landfill as it's currently in our Fees and Charges By-law that they do not. Councillor Bennett felt there was no reason not to accept stumps from the flood debris clean-up.

Treasurer Jennifer Barr explained that donations have come in and more may come in and that these funds should go towards the Community BBQ, the Fire Association or the Red Cross to name a few. However, that being said, she felt she didn't have the resources to look after the influx. Councillor Bennett felt the Castleford Church might be a good point of contact as they're in the center of the community and may be able to help out. Mrs. Collins' mentioned she would give Mrs. Klatt the appropriate contact information as a starting point.

The Community Thank-You BBQ was discussed. Mrs. Klatt would like to hold a BBQ for Volunteer recognition. Members from all over the Ottawa Valley and beyond came to help and donated food and their time and equipment and that should be recognized. It was scheduled for June 11th, 2017 from 3:00-7:00 p.m. at the Horton Community Centre.

5. COUNCIL MEMBERS' CONCERNS

Councillor Larone commended Volunteers, Staff and the Community Emergency Management Coordinators, Steve and Amber, for all of their hours. Mayor Kingsbury commended the leadership in Emergency Management by Steve Osipenko and Amber Hultink. He thanked and praised staff for all of their involvement and teamwork over the course of the weekend. He also thanked

Marshalls for the use of their equipment and Dave Bennett personally for helping getting into a closed road to rescue a resident.

Mayor Kingsbury quickly reviewed the Public Meeting Agenda for Monday May 15th, 2017.

Moved by Councillor Campbell

Resolution No.: 2017-187

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Johnston

THAT Council direct staff to hire a Landfill Site Attendant on a part-time basis to cover the flooding event refuse being brought in on Saturdays during regular hours.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Campbell

Resolution No.: 2017-188

Seconded by Councillor Larone

THAT Council approve the waiving of landfill site fees for residents that show identification or identified as a homeowner of the affected roads.

Carried

6. BY-LAW 2017-33 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Bennett

Resolution No.: 2017-189

Seconded by Councillor Campbell

THAT Council enact By-Law 2017-33 to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Township of Horton at the Special Council Meeting held on May 12th, 2017.

Carried

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kingsbury adjourned the Meeting at 3:30 p.m.

MAYOR Robert Kingsbury

CAO/Clerk Suzanne Klatt