

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

**COUNCIL MEETING**

April 06, 2010

There was a Meeting of the Council of the Township of Horton held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Tuesday April 06, 2010. Present were Mayor Robert A. Johnston, Deputy Mayor Bob Hall and Councillors David Bennett, Don Eady and Bob Kingsbury.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Councillor Bennett declared pecuniary interest in Accounts Payable and for the Public Meeting at 7:00 as he wished to speak as a Contractor. Councillor Eady declared pecuniary interest in Accounts Payable.

3. **MINUTES OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MARCH 09, 2010  
REGULAR COUNCIL MARCH 10, 2010**

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-93**

That Council approves the following Council Meeting Minutes:

March 09, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

March 08, 2010 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

**Carried.**

4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

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

The CAO/Clerk wished to add discussion about the continuation of Committee of the Whole Meetings.

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-94**

That Council add the following items to the Agenda and approves the April 06, 2010 Council Meeting Agenda.

- Continuation of Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Carried.**

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

4:05 **PUBLIC WORKS**

Randy Gaddess, a resident of Garden of Eden Road, who had attended the Public Works Committee Meeting on April 5, 2010, was present and wished to speak to Council. There are drainage issues under the Garden of Eden Road between property owned by Andy Kenopic and Randy Gaddess. This had been discussed at the Public Works Meeting on April 5, 2010 with regard to the reconstruction of Garden of Eden Road and Randy Gaddess wanted clarification and confirmation that water from Andy Kenopic's property would not be drained under the road to his property on the other side.

Councillor Bennett assured Randy Gaddess that the Township's main concern is to ensure that the roadbed is not saturated with water and to prevent this it may be necessary to run a drain from the road to the creek on Randy Gaddess's side of the road. Randy Gaddess reiterated that as long as the water draining from Andy Kenopic's property is drained to the creek and not on top of his property, he has no concerns.

4:12 Minutes of Public Works Committee Meeting April 5, 2010

Councillor Bennett gave a verbal report on the April 5, 2010 meeting.

Jeff Taylor wants to extend Harper Street in Cotieville which he would have to look after and pave.

On Garden of Eden Road – Fisheries & Oceans had approved replacing culverts – “like for like”(concrete for concrete – not steel), however the concrete culverts are much more expensive than steel, so the Township would like to replace all culverts with steel culverts. Changing the type of culvert requires additional permission from Oceans and Fisheries and Fisheries.

Charlie Taylor had written about concerns with the dangerous intersection of Garden of Eden Road and Bruce Street

Price Road Closure – erect gates, signs and public notice in paper

TRVs vs ATVs – By-law does not allow on the road

Truck for Municipal Infrastructure Manager – Jeff to investigate and report to Public Works Committee who will report to Council

Municipal Manager Reports – March 2010

These Reports had been reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on April 5, 2010.

Moved by Bob Hall, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-95**

That Council receive the March 2010 Infrastructure Manager’s Reports.

**Carried.**

Recommendations

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-96**

That Council, on recommendation of the Public Works Committee requests the Ontario Minister of Transportation and the County of Renfrew to permanently resolve the sight line problems on Bruce Street that traffic on the Garden of Eden Road encounter when they are stopped at the intersection of Garden of Eden Road and Bruce Street.

**Carried.**

4:20 **WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Waste Management Committee Meeting March 18, 2010

Councillor Eady, chair of Waste Management referred to the Minutes which had been reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting April 5, 2010.

Recommendations

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-97**

That Council on recommendation of the Waste Management Committee agrees to extend the cover and compaction contract for Brian Dedo to June 20, 2013 (two years).

**Carried.**

4:23 **FIRE COMMITTEE**

Fire Committee Meeting March 17, 2010

Councillor Bennett, chair of Fire Committee referred to the Minutes which had been reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting April 5, 2010.

The new Deputy Chief, Allan Cole, and Chief Randy Corbin will review Horton’s By-law 96-07, to establish and regulate the Fire Department, and compare it with the sample by-law provided by Mr Koroscil from the Ministry. They will report back at the next Fire Committee meeting.

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-98**

That Council approve the Minutes of the March 17, 2010 Fire Committee Meeting.

**Carried.**

4:24 **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Council reviewed the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures for March 2010. Council also reviewed the Tax Arrears Report for March 31, 2010 and the Treasurer's Statement of Remuneration and Expenses paid to Council as of December 31, 2009.

Deputy Mayor Hall suggested a short Finance Meeting after the Planning Committee Meeting on April 20, 2010 to have a overview of the final draft budget so that the Budget can be passed at the May Council Meeting.

The CAO/Clerk reported to Council that the computer system had shut down on its own on March 25, fortunately the IT person was able to fix it remotely, but with concerns that the system will fail, he asked for authority to call Tenders for prices. Council was in agreement. Staff will prepare a tender. The draft budget includes the use of Computer Reserve Funds on hand for this purpose.

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-99**

That Council receive the March 2010 Tax Arrears Report and the March 2010 Financial Report.

**Carried.**

4:30 **RECREATION**

Recreation Committee Meeting March 16, 2010

Councillor Kingsbury, chair of Recreation, referred to the Minutes which had been reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting April 5, 2010. There is a Blue Grass Music concert planned for May 14, 2010 as a fundraiser. Plans for the Canada Day Breakfast will start at the next meeting. The Easter Egg Hunt was well attended.

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-100**

That Council approves the March 16, 2010 Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes.

**Carried.**

Recommendations

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-101**

That Council on recommendation of the Recreation Committee approves of spending \$150.00 from the Miscellaneous Expenses, to send the Recreation Program Manager on a one-day workshop in Ottawa entitled "Engaging and Empowering a New Breed of Volunteers".

**Carried.**

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-102**

That Council on recommendation of the Recreation Committee approves the purchase of a mailbox donation box from Calvin Warren at a cost of \$75.00. This cost is to come out of Miscellaneous Expenses - Recreation.

**Carried.**

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-103**

That Council on recommendation of the Recreation Committee authorizes the insertion of a ½ page ad in Tim McDonald's magazine "Live Life Style" for the month of April at a cost of \$125.00.

**Carried.**

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-104**

That Council agrees to extend the employment contract for Julie Hawley, Recreation Program Manager for 12 months commencing April 13, 2010.

**Carried.**

4:35 **PLANNING**

Minutes of Committee Meeting March 16, 2010

Councillor Bennett, chair of Planning, referred to the March 16, 2010 Planning Committee Meeting Minutes which had been reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting April 5, 2010.

The main items discussed were Garden Lake Trail delegation and letter from Don Sullivan.

Harold Deacon was present and will provide an update if his progress at the April 20, 2010 meeting.

Jackson Toyota is moving forward.

Charles Cheesman was present to update the Committee on changes made to Draft Comprehensive Zoning By-law and mapping following the November 20, 2009 meeting.

The Grantham Lane issue has been resolved.

David Brown has been appointed as the new member of the Planning Committee.

The Committee of Adjustment held a Public Meeting and there were no objections to the Minor Variance requested.

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-105**

That Council approves the March 16, 2010 Planning Committee Meeting Minutes and the March 16, 2010 Public Meeting Minutes – Richard and Missy Shorey – Application A01-10.

**Carried.**

Recommendations

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-106**

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee accepts the Security Agreement for Bernard and Lydia Pleau; and Terry Verhelle if the right-of-way is not registered within the next week.

**Carried.**

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-107**

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee agrees to leave the PSW and PSWE1 zones as were presented at the Public Meeting September 01, 2009.

**Carried.**

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-108**

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee accepts the revised MDS wording for clause 3.27 a (1).

**Carried.**

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-109**

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee appoints Mr David Brown as a member of the Horton Township Planning Committee.

**Carried.**

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-110**

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee accepts the Connor and Smart/Murphy solution to resolve the access issue whereby both Pat Connor and Cory Smart/Lisa Murphy agree to accept the half of the Part 5 that was in question and both parties will be responsible for all costs to create the two lots.

**Carried.**

4:42 **HUMAN RESOURCES**

There was no Committee Meeting held in March 2010. The CAO/Clerk asked if the Interview Team could meet at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday April 8, 2010 for a Report on the replacement for the Clerk-Receptionist position.

4:44 **RENFREW & AREA SENIORS HOME SUPPORT**

The Minutes of the February 23, 2010 Board Meeting were received together with the Executive Director's Report. Chris Cobus has been appointed Capacity Developer for Renfrew County with the LHIN. Maureen MacDonald is Acting Executive Director for RASHS.

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-111**

That Council accepts the March 2010 Report for Renfrew & Area Seniors Home Support.

**Carried.**

4:45 **CPAC**

Councillor Bennett, chair of CPAC reviewed the Minutes of the March 15, 2010 Meeting held at Whitewater Region Township. He reported that Constable Carlos Goncalves will be moving to Aurora on promotion.

Councillor appreciated the Speed Board being placed on Whitton Road.

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-112**

That Council accepts the Community Policy Advisory Committee (CPAC) Minutes and Report for March 2010.

**Carried.**

4:50 **BUILDING REPORT**

January, February & March 2010 Reports

Council reviewed the Building Report for March 2010.

Paul & Darlene Heaslip – Cancel/Reduce Permit Fees to Rebuild After fire

Council reviewed a letter received from Paul & Darlene Heaslip, whose home was recently burned by fire. The Heaslips are rebuilding and requesting a reduction in the cost of the Building Permit Fee.

Council discussed this question and it was suggested asking an Insurance Adjuster to come and explain to Planning Committee how the Insurance Companies come up with the fee paid to persons rebuilding houses that have been destroyed by fire, whether they include an allowance to building permits.

The Heaslips' request was noted, Council will study this question and if a decision to make a change is made in the future, they will be reimbursed.

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-113**

That Council accepts the Chief Building Official's Report for January, February and March 2010.

**Carried.**

5:02 **LIME STABILIZATION OF SEPTAGE**

The gate into Tom Reid's field has to be relocated. The water that is in the tank is ready to be pumped out.

5:05 **EMERGENCY PLAN PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**

The grant applications have been received in Toronto.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY**

**Information Correspondence**

Council reviewed the following Information Correspondence Summary.

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| A. | Ottawa Valley Business           | March 9 & 23 Newsletters                           |
| B. | MacKillican & Assoc.             | Federal Budget overview                            |
| C. | AECL                             | Nuclear Reactor Status Reports 46 & 47             |
| D. | Renfrew County United Way        | Annual Meeting April 7 2010                        |
| E. | Renfrew Area Chamber of Commerce | Newsletter<br>Mayors Breakfast                     |
| F. | AMO                              | Provincial Budget Report                           |
| G. | AMCTO                            | Provincial Budget Report                           |
| H. | AMO                              | Province encourages wage freeze to Municipal Staff |
| I. | Gerry Phillips, Minister         | 2010 Senior of the Year Award                      |
- It was agreed to place an advertisement in the paper asking for input from residents.
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| J. | Friends of the Disabled/Sunshine Coach | 2010 financial assistance request |
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- Refer to Finance Committee.
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| K. | Victim Services – Renfrew County | Chocolate Gala May 1, 2010 |
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Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Dave Bennett      **Resolution No. 10-114**  
That Council receive the April 06, 2010 Information Correspondence Summary.  
**Carried.**

**Action Correspondence**

Council reviewed the following Action Correspondence summary.

- A. County of Renfrew - support resolution on CPR rail line

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Dave Bennett      **Resolution No. 10-115**  
That the Council of the Township of Horton supports a resolution of the County of Renfrew requesting both the Federal and Provincial Governments to commit to a funding program that will permit the economic viability of short-line railways, thereby maintaining valuable railway transportation infrastructure corridors.  
**Carried.**

8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
Council reviewed the Accounts Payable for March 2010. Councillors Dave Bennett and Don Eady had declared pecuniary interest.

Council asked about the payments to the Fence Viewers. The CAO/Clerk reported that the Morrisons had requested the Fence Viewers check the fence between their property and the MacDonalds. The decision was that the MacDonald must erect a working electric fence around the property. However, this has not happened and the OPP were at the property over the weekend.

Buckwalts, the neighbours on the other side of MacDonalds also decided to call the Fence Viewers, the decision was that any problems were from the back fence belonging to Buckwalts.

Moved by Bob Hall, seconded by Bob Kingsbury      **Resolution no. 10-116**  
That Council approves the following Accounts Payable Listings for March 2010 in the amount of \$690,528.51.

**Carried.**

**Councillor Bennett declared pecuniary**  
**Councillor Eady declared pecuniary**

9. OTHER BUSINESS  
Paper Shredder  
Councillor Bennett suggested purchasing a large paper shredder for Council use to dispose of sensitive papers.

After discussion it was agreed if there was money available after the Computers are purchased, it would be used to buy a Shredder.

Physician Recruitment

Councillor Bennett reported that he had attending a meeting of the Committee at the Renfrew Victoria Hospital. A decision has been made to change direction and for the hospital to step back and a new committee to be formed from the local municipalities. A meeting is planned to be held after the Chamber of Commerce Mayors Breakfast on April 23, 2010, when the municipal representatives will be present.

Renfrew has a unique medical facility for a small town but we need more incentives to attract new doctors.

Councillor Kingsbury asked why RVH has backed away?

Councillor Bennett replied that it is not their mandate, other community hospitals are not involved.

Fireworks Sales – Keith Arbuthnot

A request was received from Keith Arbuthnot to amend By-law 84-29 to permit year-around sale and setting off of fireworks. Councillor Kingsbury suggested sending the request to the Fire Committee. The issue is storing the fireworks year around. The By-law speaks to the sale of fireworks and not storing them.

5:55 Council took a break for supper and resumed at 6:40 p.m. all members of Council were present.

10. DELEGATIONS

7:00 Public Meeting on Proposed Landfill Tipping Fees.

7:15 Dr Ole Hendrickson – Ottawa River Institute

Dr Hendrickson was present but left before the Public Meeting was over.

11. RESOLUTIONS

There were no resolutions.

12. BY-LAWS

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-117**

That Council agrees to enact By-Law 2010-09 to appoint a Deputy Fire Chief.

**Carried.**

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-118**

That Council agrees to enact By-law 2010-10 to change the title of Deputy Mayor to Councillor.

**Carried.**

**Opposed Deputy Mayor Hall**

**Opposed Councillor Eady**

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-119**

That Council agrees to enact By-law 2010-11 to amend By-law 2005-08 – Procurement Policies and Procedures.

**Carried.**

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-120**

That Council agrees to enact By-law 2010-12 to amend Tipping Fees.

**Carried.**

**Councillor Bennett declared pecuniary interest**

13. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY

Mayor Johnston reported on:

- Special Protection for Wood Turtles
- Eastern Wardens Presentation of Broadband – importance of hi-speed
- Importance of tourism and development
- Importance of farming, logging and tourism in the Act

14. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The CAO/Clerk asked Council if they wished to continue with Committee of the Whole Meetings, which had been started last year on a trial basis. After discussion Council agreed not to continue with Committee of the Whole Meetings.

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-121**

That Council agree to cease holding Committee of the Whole Meetings for the balance of the Council term.

**Carried.**

15. COUNCIL MEMBERS CONCERNS

There were no concerns raised by Council Members.

16. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

There was no request for reconsideration.

17. CLOSED MEETING

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Dave Bennett

**Resolution No. 10-122**

That Council proceed into a Closed Meeting pursuant to Section (8) (b) (vii) of by-law 98-08 Procedural By-law (solicitor/client privilege).

**Carried.**

Council returned to Public Meeting at 8:15 p.m. and Mayor Johnston reported that Council had received a report on the mediation session re the Reciprocal Insurance Claim, and the Fence Viewers Report.

18. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Dave Bennett, seconded by Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-123**

That Council pass this confirming resolution to cover any actions or directions given during the open portion of this Council Meeting which are minor in nature and which were not set out in By-law or Resolution.

**Carried.**

19. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-124**

That Council adjourns this Regular Council Meeting at 8:19 p.m.

**Carried.**

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Mayor

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CAO/Clerk



