

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

**COUNCIL MEETING**

November 2, 2010

There was a Meeting of the Council of the Township of Horton held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Tuesday November 2, 2010. Present were Mayor Robert A. Johnston, Deputy Mayor Bob Hall and Councilors Bob Kingsbury and Don Eady. Councilor Dave Bennett sent his regrets. Staff present was Mackie McLaren CAO/Clerk, Kathleen Rogers Clerk-Receptionist and Rose Curley Administrative Assistant/Acting Treasurer.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest made by Council Members

3. MINUTES OF - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING October 5, 2010

-SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – October 19, 2010

Moved by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-294**

Seconded by Councillor Don Eady

That Council approves the following Council Meeting Minutes:

Regular Council Meeting October 5, 2010

Special Council Meeting October 19, 2010

**Carried.**

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Councillor Kingsbury asked Municipal Infrastructure Manager, Jeff Schruder if he had received an invoice for Surface Treatment yet. Mr. Schruder said that he had not received an invoice yet.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall asked who would be tending to the Rink maintenance this year. Councillor Kingsbury noted that we have a fire hose now and Township Staff, Bill Yantha and the Recreation Committee will look after the maintenance.

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

- Councillor Eady - Seasons Greeting Heritage Radio Ad

- Mayor Robert Johnston – Farewell Address to Present and Incoming Council Members and Staff.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-295**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council adds the following items to the Agenda and approves the November 2, 2010, Council Meeting Agenda.

- Radio Ad

- Mayor Johnston's Farewell Address

**Carried.**

6. DELEGATIONS

Rory Richards - MacKillican & Associates - 2009 Financial Statement

Mr. Rory Richards, Municipal Auditor from MacKillican and Associates reviewed the 2009 Financial Statement for Council.

Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-296**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council approves the 2009 Financial Statement as prepared by MacKillican & Associates.

**Carried**

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

4:20 **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

-Jeff Schruder, Municipal Infrastructure Manager was present

Minutes of Public Works Committee Meetings

Councillor Kingsbury reviewed the Public Works Meeting Minutes of October 4, in Councillor Dave Bennett's absence.

COA/Clerk reported that the November 1, 2010 Public Works Meeting Minutes had been dictated but not yet typed.

Recommendations

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10 -297**

Seconded by- Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council approves the minutes of October 4, 2010 Public Works Committee Meeting.

**Carried**

Municipal Manager Reports – October 2010

Municipal Infrastructure Manager Jeff Schruder gave his report.

Councillor Robert Kingsbury asked Infrastructure Manager Jeff Schruder if he had visited Ray Cunningham's Site to inspect before approval of Site Plan. Infrastructure Manager Jeff Schruder did visit the site but Mr. Cunningham needs more room for parking and he needs more gravel for his parking lot. Mr. Cunningham is to contact Mr. Schruder when these tasks are complete.

Garden of Eden Road is Complete. Mr. Schruder is really pleased with the final results.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall asked if there was a need for Guard Rails anywhere on Garden of Eden Road. Mr. Schruder stated that if the speed limit is decreased to 60 km/hr then guard rails are not required.

Johnston Road work is complete and we did in house for \$57,000.00 - not a Contractors estimate could be \$90,000.00 for the same work.

Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-298**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council receives the Infrastructure Manager and Public Works Superintendent reports for October.

**Carried**

4:35 **WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Minutes of: October 21, 2010 Waste Management Committee Meeting

Councillor Don Eady reviewed the landfill site report.

Councillor Eady asked CEO if Ministry of the Environment Representative Lance Larkin could attend the next Meeting to discuss the Expansion Study.

Tipping Fees are up this year because of demolition from The Butson's Demolition.

Councillor Kingsbury commented on the phenomenal job done by Brian Dedo compacting the regrind. There is still a lot of space available to place waste.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall commented that the Landfill Site is one of our most valuable assets and should be treated as such.

Mayor Robert Johnston noted that a COA – Certificate of Amendment for a 40,000 cubic meter expansion will be received soon.

Recommendations

Moved by: Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10 –299**

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council approves the minutes of October 21, 2010 Waste Management Committee Meeting.

**Carried**

4:43 **FIRE COMMITTEE**

There were no Fire Committee Meeting Minutes to approve for October, 2010

4:45 **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall reviewed the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures for October 2010 and also reviewed the Tax Arrears Report for October 2010.

The CAO/Clerk requested Councils approval to enlist the assistance of Jennifer Barr to help out with the back log in the Treasurers Department due to the Treasurer's leave of absence.

Recommendations

Moved by: Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10–300**

Seconded by: Councillor Don Eady

That Council authorizes Jennifer Barr to assist our Treasurers Department with the accounting backlog at a rate of pay of \$25.00 per hour.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-301**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council receives the October 2010 Tax Arrears Report and the October 2010 Financial Reports.

**Carried.**

5:05 **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Minutes of October 18, 2010- Recreation Committee Meeting

Councillor Kingsbury, Chair of Recreation, reviewed the Minutes.

Councillor Kingsbury said the Township purchased a used Clock /Score Board for the Rink at a cost of \$300.00. A great savings Mayor Johnston noted.

Councillor Don Eady noted that the Remembrance Day Service will be This Sunday November 7<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Johnston found page wire fencing at the TSC Store in Arnprior on sale for \$269.00 for a 40 rod roll. He recommended ordering 10 rolls for the Township Beach Project. Wire is almost ½ the regular price.

Recommendations

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

**Resolution No. 10-302**

Seconded by Councillor Don Eady

That Council approves the October 18, 2010 Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes.

**Carried.**

Moved by: Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-303**

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council on the recommendation of the Recreation Committee authorizes the committee to seek 3 three quotes for fencing materials for the Township Beach Property. The lowest quote is to be accepted.

Moved by: Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-304**

Seconded by: Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council, on the recommendation of the Recreation Committee provide a \$200.00 float to Carol Sulpher for the “Volunteer in Training” ( VIT ) Program.

**Carried**

5:20 **PLANNING**

Minutes of: - Regular Planning Committee Meeting – October 19, 2010

Mayor Robert Johnston reviewed the Planning Committee Minutes from October 19, 2010 in Councillor Bennett’s absence.

Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No.10-305**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee agrees to execute the agreement between Mr. Allen Harris and the Township with a notation in the agreement that a Zoning Amendment will be applied for, to construct a Storage Building prior to the house being constructed on the property and to re-zone for a Highway Commercial Zone.

**Carried**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

**Resolution No.10-306**

Seconded by Councillor Don Eady

That Council on recommendation of the Planning Committee agrees to extend the timeline for Mr. Peter Smith of Cotieville, to November 30, 2010, to have the building on his property altered to meet the zoning setbacks as outlined in our Zoning By-law.

**Councillor Kingsbury Opposed**

**Carried.**

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No.10-307**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council, on recommendation of the Planning Committee authorizes the return of the final \$1250.00 security for the Ray Cunningham Site Plan Agreement upon approval from the Infrastructure Manager, that all items have been completed.

**Carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

**Resolution No.10-308**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council approves the following Planning Committee Minutes:

- Regular Planning Committee Meeting October 19, 2010

**Carried.**

**5:35 HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall reported that there has been no activity in October. CAO/Clerk requested a Human Resources Committee Meeting for Nov. 16, 2010 following the Planning Committee Meeting. All agreed.

**5:40 HOME SUPPORT - October 2010 report/newsletter**

Councillor Robert Kingsbury, Home Support Co-Chair gave a brief report. Judy Ewart is the New Executive Director.

Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No.10-309**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council receive the October, 2010 Renfrew Seniors Home Support Report.

**Carried.**

**5:45 COMMUNITY POLICING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

CPAC – October 2010 Report

There was no report for October.

**5:50 BUILDING REPORT**

- October 2010 CBO Report

Council Reviewed the October 2010 reports.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall noted that even with the increase in Lot Development Fees people are still building. It has not deterred people. Mr. Hall would like to see some percentage of the Lot development Fees go toward Waste Management. At present 0% goes to it, But the Province doesn't permit it.

CAO Clerk notes that \$68,503.00 in Lot Development Fees has been received this year.

Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No.10-310**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council accepts the Chief Building Official's report for October 2010.

**Carried.**

5:55    **LIME STABILIZATION COMMITTEE**

Mayor Robert Johnston reported in Councillor Bennett's absence.

Septage Training has been completed. Septage tanks are full and are ready to be spread the week of Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. We are waiting on the Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) representative Michel Payne to be available to be present during the spreading. Septage will be spread on the approved property of Tom Reid our Host Farmer.

If Mother Nature is cooperative and we do not have snow covered ground all will proceed as planned.

6:00    **EMERGENCY PLAN PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**

CAO/Clerk Mackie McLaren noted that we will discuss a new By-law 2010-41 Appointing a New CEMC and alternate CEMC.

Renfrew County Paramedic and Acting Duty Officer, Steve Osipenko has agreed to fill the position of CEMC - Community Emergency Management Coordinator with Jim Ferguson stepping down to alternate CEMC.

This is Item # 13 to be discussed later in the agenda.

The VERG – Volunteer Emergency Response Group would like to meet with the New Council.

8.       **CORRESPONDENCE SUMMARY**

**Information Correspondence**

Summary Sheet – November 2, 2010

Mayor Robert A. Johnston reviewed the Information Correspondence Summary.

A. Municipal Taxpayer Advocacy Group - Opportunity to Eliminate Waste Management Costs

B. Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Chalk River Subdivision – Mile 0.5 to Mile 104.0

C. Renfrew Chamber of Commerce "E\*News" October 8, 2010

D. Ottawa Valley Business Newsletter - October 20, 2010

CAO/Clerk Mackie McLaren asked Council if they wanted to advertise in The Ottawa Valley Business newsletter. The cheapest ad is \$400.00 and the CAO advised Council that this was very expensive. Council agreed and it was unanimously decided that, No we would not advertise in this publication.

E. Crimesense/Ontario Police News – information about this initiative

F. Mae Craig – Election Coverage

Mrs. Craig was disappointed in the election coverage as her radio reception at her residence is very poor and the T.V. Stations only reported Ottawa Area Results. Maybe next time we can give preliminary results CTV, CJOH via fax or email prior to their 11pm report.

G. Asset Management in Bonnechere Valley. Presentation by Bryan Martin CAO

CAO/Clerk pulled this information off the Website.

H. MacKillican & Associates – Business Matters October 2010

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-311**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council receive the November 2, 2010 Information Correspondence Summary.

**Carried**

**Action Correspondence**

Summary Sheet – November 2, 2010

Mayor Robert A. Johnston reviewed the Action Correspondence Summary.

A. Support for Extension of Hwy. 17 from Arnprior to Renfrew

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-312**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That the Council of the Township of Horton supports the resolution of the County of Renfrew that requests the Province of Ontario to designate the extension of Highway 417 from the Town of Arnprior to the Town of Renfrew as a priority project and that it be reflected in the Province's five-year South-Eastern Region Capital Program.

**Carried**

B. Town of Petrolia Resolution Re: Provincial Highway Signage

Moved by: Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10 -313**

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That the Council of the Township of Horton supports the resolution from the Town of Petrolia requesting municipalities to send a letter the Ministry of Tourism objecting to criteria used to access costs of signage on Provincial Highways to promote small towns throughout Ontario."

**Carried**

The Members recessed at 5:56 p.m. for supper break.

Mayor Robert Johnston called the meeting to order again at 6:35 p.m. with the same members present.

**9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

- Accounts Payable Listing – November 2010

Council reviewed the accounts payable listing for November 2010

Councillor Kingsbury had a question regarding the duties of the Animal Control Officer Stephanie Jacobs and her direction to residents to catch and contain stray dogs until she comes to pick them up.

The CAO/Clerk will have an inquiry with Ms. Jacobs on this matter.

Moved by: Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10 -314**

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council approves the following Accounts Payable Listings:

- October 2010 in the amount of \$574,938.57.

**Carried**

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.

11. **DELEGATIONS**

7:00 Jim Miller – Keep cabin on property (Garden of Eden Rd.)

The small cabin on his property is currently housing supplies for his new home construction. He has gotten behind in his construction therefore cannot tear down the shed (cabin) until it is empty of all supplies and he will not be able to do this before the winter and is asking the Township for an extension of time until the spring/summer 2011. His agreement with the Chief Building Official was to remove the cabin before he occupies his new residence.

Moved by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10 -315**

Seconded by Councillor Don Eady

That Council agrees to amend the current Building Permit Agreement between the Township and Mr. Jim Miller, 184 Garden of Eden Road, to allow the old residence to remain standing until July 31, 2011.

**Carried**

7:05 Sheri Sexton – Lime Stabilization

Steve Sexton, Sheri Sexton, Cindy Reid and Victor Berard were present for the discussion.

Sheri Sexton requested that Council hold off on the spreading of septage until the new Council comes in so they can present their concerns to them.

Mayor Johnston suggested that we cannot hold off any longer. In order to receive the necessary funding from MOE- Ministry of The Environment we must continue as per our agreement.

Septage will be spread on the MOE –Approved Site which is the property of Tom Reid at 2165 Johnston Road Lot Con 4 Lot 14.

We must spread before the ground is frozen and covered with snow.

We are waiting on the MOE and Michael Payne and the test results of the tanks.

Sheri had many concerns which Mayor Johnston was able to answer and he noted that many of her questions were answered by OMAFRA Representative Michael Payne at the information meeting held at the Community Centre but she probably couldn't hear the answer to because of all the noise created by protesters and tractors outside of the community centre that night.

Mayor Johnston suggested that Mrs. Sexton contact one of the Lime Stabilization Committee Members as they can more accurately address her concerns.

He also suggested that she become a member so she can be part of the solution.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall noted that if they did not spread that Council would be breaking their honesty by not fulfilling the Agreement with the MOE.

Mrs. Sexton wanted to know what happens to the septage in the tanks if it did not pass MOE testing standards and was advised that it would be drained from the tanks and shipped to a Waste Treatment Facility in Ottawa.

Mayor thanked her for attending and for bringing her concerns to council. He invited her to attend the spreading on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> to be part of the experience 1<sup>st</sup> hand and hopefully have some of her concerns addressed.

Councillor Kingsbury noted that she may get her wish if Mother Nature is on her side, because if the ground is snow covered and frozen by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> which is the planned day for spreading, that the septage will not be able to be spread.



12. **RESOLUTIONS:**

There were no resolutions.

13. **BY-LAWS:**

Mayor Robert Johnston declared pecuniary interest in by-law 2010-39.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall assumed the chair.

-By-law No. 2010-37 – Line of Credit – TD Bank

-By-law No. 2010-38 – Reduce speed on Garden of Eden Road

-By-law No. 2010-39 – Declare Surplus and convey unopened road allowance between Lots 10& 11, Con. 7 – Township of Horton to adjacent property owners.

-By-law No. 2010-40 – Enter into security agreement with Terry Verhelle

-By-law No. 2010-41 – Appoint CEMC and alternate CEMC

Moved by Councillor Bob Kingsbury

**Resolution No.10-316**

Seconded by Councillor Don Eady

That Council agrees to enact the following by-laws:

-By-law No. 2010-37 – Line of Credit – TD Bank

-By-law No. 2010-38 – Reduce speed on Garden of Eden Road

-By-law No. 2010-39 – Declare Surplus and convey unopened road allowance between Lots 10 & 11, Con. 7 – Township of Horton to adjacent property owners.

-By-law No. 2010-40 – Enter into security agreement with Terry Verhelle

-By-law No. 2010-41 – Appoint CEMC and alternate CEMC

**Carried**

Mayor Robert Johnston resumed as chair.

13. **REPORT FROM COUNTY**

Mayor Robert A. Johnston reported that the meeting focused on the Canadian Transportation Authority Line Discontinuance process for the OVR Line. This took up most of the County Council Meeting.

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-317**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That Council accepts the County of Renfrew reports for October 2010.

**Carried**

14. **REPORT ON HEALTH SERVICES VILLAGE**

Mayor Johnston reported that the Health Services Committee Press Release was spoiled by a pre release in that mornings release of the Ottawa Citizen.

The Committee reported that they had secured the commitment from a Dr. and when she completes her residency up north she has agreed to locate her practice in Renfrew.

Councillor Kingsbury expressed concern that she might decide to continue her practice at the location of her residency. Mayor Johnston said that she has signed a contract that will ensure her commitment to Renfrew.

Mayor Johnston reported that The Renfrew Industrial Commission has agreed to donate \$15,000 for each Doctor signed to Renfrew over the next six years.

Home Hardware has committed \$10,000 for each Dr.

The Municipality has committed to \$25,000 for administration annually along with the Town of Renfrew, the Township of Admaston/Bromley and Greater Madawaska.

The committee is actively looking for more corporate sponsors.  
Mayor Johnston suggests that each household be charged \$20.00 per year to cover this expense.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall wanted to know how our residents will be guaranteed to get a physician as some residents presently do not have a physician and more are losing them. As each Dr. retires, they are left out in the cold and are forced to use the Emergency Department as their only means to receive medical treatment.

Norm Lemke is the Head of the Doctor Recruitment Committee.  
Councillor Don Eady- (Mayor Elect) has agreed to present all concerns to the committee.

Councillor Kingsbury would like it to be known, that should a new medical facility be built in Renfrew that the Renfrew Seniors Home Support would be interested in partnering with them.

15. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

Councillor Don Eady- Heritage Radio Christmas Ad

We will put this on the Agenda for our December Meeting.

Mayor Robert Johnston Farwell Address to Council & Staff

Mayor Robert Johnson read his farewell speech listing the accomplishments of the past 2 terms of Council while he was Mayor. They had the exact same Council for 7 consecutive years. He also expressed concern with community gossip that may have affected a candidate's election campaign.

A Copy of the Mayors Farewell Speech can be found at the end of the minutes.

Councillor Kingsbury thanked the Mayor for the time on Council with him.  
Councillor Don Eady also thanked Mayor Johnston, stating that it was a pleasure to work him and Council.

Deputy Mayor Bob Hall gave the same thank you to Mayor Johnston and council he also thanked the staff for their support and welcomed the new council and wished them every success. He also thanked Steve Newman of the Renfrew Mercury for reporting on all of council's activities.

CAO/Clerk expresses the staff member's thank you and well wishes for this current council.

Mayor Johnston closed by giving his Best Wishes to all of the new Council.

17. **REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

There were no requests for reconsideration.

18. 7:50 p.m. **-CLOSED MEETING**

The CAO/Clerk requested the 2 sets of Closed Meeting Minutes be considered by the council before the end of their term. The members did not proceed into a Closed Meeting.

Councillor Robert Kingsbury

**Resolution No. 10-318**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

That Council approves the following Closed Meeting Minutes:

- May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010
- October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

**Carried**

19. **CONFIRMING RESOLUTION**

Moved by Councillor Don Eady

**Resolution No. 10-319**

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bob Hall

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**

20. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Dave Bennett

**Resolution No.10-320**

Seconded by Councillor Robert Kingsbury

That council adjourns this regular Council Meeting at 8:36 p.m.

**Carried.**

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Mayor

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CAO/Clerk