

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting    Date: Wednesday August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005**

**Place: Municipal Council Chambers    Start Time: 1:00 p.m.**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

- A.    **Public Meeting**  
      i)    **Zoning Amendment - Pt Lot 30, Con: East Front "B" – Westmeath – Robertson**

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**Zoning Amendment – Robertson**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

**2005-153 "Be it resolved that a Public Meeting to rezone Part Lot 30, Concession EFB from Waterfront Vicinity – Exception 9 to Waterfront Vicinity – Exception 17 be opened. This rezoning is to permit the reduction of a minimum lot and requirement from 4047 square metres to 2400 square metres and to reduce the minimum lot frontage from 45 metres to 25 metres."**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

The Deputy Clerk reviewed the reporting structure.

Nobody was present to represent the Applicants.

**Close Public Meeting**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-154 "Be it resolved that a Public Meeting to rezone Part Lot 30 Concession EFB from Waterfront Vicinity – Exception 9 to Waterfront Vicinity – Exception 17 be closed."**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

1.    **Call to Order**
2.    **Prayer**
3.    **Roll Call**
4.    **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
5.    **Adoption of the Agenda**
6.    **Adoption of the Minutes of the Last Meeting**
7.    **Adoption of the Accounts**
8.    **Delegation**
  1.    **Michael Nash – Property on Crystal Trail**
9.    **Departmental Reports**

**Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire Department, Roads, Water & Sewage, By-law Enforcement**
10.   **Committee Reports**
  - a)    **Public Works Committee**
  - b)    **Fire Committee**
11.   **Bylaws**
  1.    **05-08-195 - Supplementary Subdivision Agreement – Adrian Vereyken & Sons Development Limited**
  2.    **05-08-196 - Zoning Amendment - Pt Lot 30, Con: East Front "B" – Westmeath – Robertson**
12.   **Misc Correspondence**
  1.    **Jim Hutton – County of Renfrew – Letter of Appreciation & Letter of Information regarding Muskrat Lake Sensitive Lake**
  2.    **Whitewater Historical Society Ross Museum – Letter of Appreciation**
  3.    **County of Renfrew – Information Notice**

13. **New/Unfinished Business**

1. **Severance Application - Pt Lot 20, Con #2 Ross > Babcock/Hickey > B53/05**
2. **Severance Application - Pt Lot 25, Con #4 Ross > Belaire > B57/05**
3. **Severance Application - Pt Lot 12, West Front "E" Westmeath > Boone > B56/05**
4. **Severance Application - Pt Lot 9, Con 4 Ross > Haley > B80/05**
5. **Development Agreement with Martin Vereyken**
6. **Tender Award – Asphalt Harris & Astrolabe**
7. **Planning Justification Report – Cooney & Levesque**
8. **Promotional Campaign – My Community**
9. **Support of Resolution – Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Emergency Management Program**
10. **Surplus Land - Declaration**
11. **Bill Smerle – request for financial support re study of a meat packaging plant**

14. **Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.**

15. **Adjournment**

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Present: Reeve Donald Rathwell, Deputy Reeve Ron Lowe, Councillors - Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook, Joey Trimm and Beulah Wright.

Staff Present: Randi Keith

Prayer was recited

Deputy Clerk conducted Roll Call

Conflict - None reported

**Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Jacob Rook

**2005-155 “Be it Resolved that the Council of Township of Whitewater Region adopt the agenda dated August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 for the Regular Council Meeting as submitted with the addition of 12 (4) request for financial support re study of a meat packaging plant.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Adoption of Minutes**

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jim Labow

**2005-156 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting and the Special Council Meeting dated July 6<sup>th</sup> 2005 as circulated.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Adoption of Accounts**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-157 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached Schedule of Accounts for the period July 1 – July 31, 2005, in the amount of \$487,127.38 in general purposes and \$76,590.73 for Water Purposes and that the above accounts be paid.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Delegation – OPP**

Constable J. Rendeau was present at the meeting. He informed Council that there is a problem with ATV's in Westmeath. Councillor Trimm had received complaints that people were driving too fast through the Hamlet of Westmeath. Constable J. Rendeau talked about a distraction theft in LaPasse. Councillor McLaughlin queried about patrolling on the Grant Settlement Road. No RIDE program has been scheduled for this area at the present time.

**Michael Nash – Crystal Trail**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

**2005-158 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into Committee of the Whole to discuss a legal matter.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Michael Nash – Crystal Trail**

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Joey Trimm

**2005-159 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region come out of Committee of the Whole.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Departmental Reports**

**Department:** Treasurer

**Monthly Activity:**

Water Bills

The third water bill for the Township has been issued with a due date of July 29, 2005. The payments are coming in at a steady pace.

Donations

The donations that Council budgeted for have been disbursed. The Total is \$ 66,000.00. We paid \$500.00 to BAIT, \$100.00 To Renfrew County Seniors, \$400.00 to Friends for the Disabled, \$32,000.00 to the Library and \$33,000.00 to the Recreation Associations.

The bill for the paving of the parking lot at the fairgrounds have been received and paid. The various organizations have been billed for their share.

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE MADE** None at this time

**Department Head Signature.....Randi Keith**

**Department:** Fire

**Monthly Activity:**

**Chief / Deputy Chief’s Monthly Activities**

- July 2 Chief Heubner, Capt Lorne Rathwell visited Haley Townsite on burning complaints.
- July 4 Chief Moore attends practice Westmeath Stn. x 4.
- July 6 Chief Heubner attends Cobden practice.
- July 12 Chief Heubner met with Christie & Walther rep.
- July 13 Chief’s Heubner & Moore attend Beachburg practice
- July 20 Chief Heubner attended Cobden practice.
- July 24 Chief’s Heubner & Moore attend Beachburg Fair. Beachburg Firefighters log over 40 + hours.
- July 26 Chief’S Heubner & Moore met and worked on Medical Assist calls.
- July 27 Chief’s Heubner & Moore and Fire Services Specialist William Bowles met with Fire Comm.

**Total Emergency (Station) Responses For July - 10**

**STN. # 1 – Haley’s**

- July 3 MVA – 81 Pembroke St. Highway # 17
- July 27 MVA – 62 Pembroke St. Highway # 17

**STN.# 2 – Cobden**

- July 3 MVA – 81 Pembroke St. Highway # 17
- July 16 Transformer Fire – Cedar Haven Park
- July 20 Medical Assist – 63 Main St. Cobden
- July 27 MVA – 62 Pembroke St. Highway # 17

**STN. # 3 – Foresters Falls**

- July 13 Tree/Hydro Fire – Foresters Falls Ball Diamond
- July 23 Alarm Activation – 503 Rafting Road

**STN. # 4 - Beachburg**

- July 2 Grass Fire – 2000 Beachburg Road
- July 8 Pot/Stove Fire – 15 Hume St. Beachburg
- July 13 Tree/Hydro Fire – 40 Morglan Trail
- July 18 Tree/Hydro Fire – 267 Lacroix Bay Road

**STN. # 5 – Westmeath**

- July 2 Grass Fire – 2000 Beachburg Road
- July 13 Tree/Hydro Fire – 40 Morglan Trail
- July 18 Tree/Hydro Fire – 267 Lacroix Bay Road

**Truck / Hall Report**

Chief Heubner met with Mike McKenna from CGI information Systems and Management Consultants Inc. to work on a plan for the Superior Tanker Shuttle Service Accreditation. The annual safeties on the fleet has

started. We also will be doing the annual pump tests as well at this time. Cobden Pumper Truck # 9633 failed its annual pump test, this truck is a 1982 pumper.

Station # 1 Truck # 9626 has problems with brakes, Martin Repair called to replace rear brakes.

Station # 2 Captain Rathwell informed me that truck # 9633 shift heavy into gear on the way to a recent fire. Possible transmission problems starting. The Pump on this truck also is leaking badly. Lights being repaired on truck # 9840

Station # 3

Station # 4 Truck # 9718 has a substantial leak in the tank and needs to be looked at. It also needs a new clutch and Richards Repair is working on this truck.

Station # 5 Truck # 9639 had rim replaced. Truck # 9844 has a wheel cylinder leaking, repairs on going.

**Recommendations / Motions to be Brought Forward**

The Pump tests have begun and some of the older pumpers are not passing the test. As in previous month's Council Packs I strongly recommended that Whitewater Region look into purchasing a second pumper for Whitewater Region Fire Dept. we need to move this item along rather quickly. Additional Bunker suits should be purchased for Whitewater Region along with 6 BA'S for the Department.

**Department Head Signature.....Wayne Heubner**

**Department:** Public Works

**Monthly Activity:**

We have completed the sweeping for this year, and we have completed the installation of dust suppressant for the year.

We have had a lot of storms this summer and this has created a lot of work in clean up of fallen trees and repairs to roads from wash outs. The cold patching has been ongoing and is becoming a full time job. We have had the graders out grading when the moisture level in the road is high enough to grade, if we grade when the road surface is dry the grader turns the surface into an uncompactable powder and the result is heavy dust and very quickly a far worse road surface than it was, dry conditions are very hard on equipment also causing premature wear on cutting edges, tires and drive line. The road side mowing has been completed, and we have had the bush hog cutting brush as often as we have had the man power to run it.

Indian Road was completed, we replaced one 400mm, three 450mm and one 1meter, for a total of 5 culverts. The areas that required improvement were improved with the addition of gravel or ditching and rip rap being installed in the ditch at Meath hill where the erosion had cut ruts as deep as 60cm.

The CHC parking lot has been completed we partnered in this project with local businesses. The prep work and paving has been completed at the Cobden Fair grounds. The contract for paving was let and closed with a recommendation from staff. The Harris Cr. project is tentatively scheduled for paving Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> with the construction starting during the previous week.

We repaired three water leaks one service connection in Beachburg and two on 17 highway in Cobden. We also installed a new water service on Earl St. in Beachburg and Two Flushing stations at the Haley Townsite for the Plants Dept. so that they can get water samples and flush with out entering private homes.

\* The pipe that was repaired on 17 highway in Cobden is in very bad shape the best way to describe it is that it is rotten and staff recommends that we make plans to replace or repair the section from Cowley St. to Wallace Dr. 500 meters

There is a new system that relines the existing pipe and minimizes the amount of excavation required that could work well in this situation.

If any of the Council would like to see the process I can arrange with the contractor to have a site tour .

**Department Head Signature..... Hal Johnson CRS**

**Department:** Water & Sewage

**Monthly Activity:**

Normal operation and maintenance activities for the month of July included the following:

Problems involving shortened filter runs are still being encountered at the Cobden Water Treatment Plant. The filters are being manually scoured to restore longer filter runs. On a more positive note We are having less of a problem maintaining required distribution system chlorine residuals this summer as compared to last summer. Last year free chlorine residuals of 2.3 mg/l leaving the plant were required whereas this year, to this point, only 1.7 mg/l has been required.

The Beachburg Water Treatment Plant chlorine analyzer began sporadic spiking down causing unwarranted low chlorine residual alarms. The analyzer was completely dismantled, cleaned and recalibrated resolving the problem to this date. The treated water flow meter has been drifting in accuracy requiring frequent calibration. Marius Caprariu of MacViro Consultants agreed to install a new flow meter, when plant upgrades are being done, which will eliminate the problem.

Two flushing stations have been installed in the Haley Townsite distribution system enabling Operators to perform mandatory water main flushing required for certain adverse water quality incidents as specified under Regulation 170. The flushing stations were designed and built with separate main valves and drain valves, a MOE requirement enabling them to be used as sampling stations as well as flushing stations. This will help eliminate the difficulty of finding residents at home when operators are taking distribution system samples. The stations, which are operating extremely well, were painted River Rock Brown a fairly neutral beige color which appears to meet with the approval of Townsite residents.

The ferric chloride storage tank piping at the Cobden Waste Water Treatment Plant developed a leak. The piping was dug up and a section of it along with new valves and a strainer were replaced with new schedule 80 PVC materials. The piping was re-encased in hydrated lime, as it was found, and insulated with styrofoam sheeting. Two ferric chloride tank heat trace thermostats require replacement.

Air blower # 2 seized up completely and a new unit had to be immediately purchased and installed. The old rotary lobe blower had been rebuilt by plant staff in 1998 extending it's 20 year life expectancy by 7 years. We have been unsuccessful in completing the rebuilding of # 1 air blower, which failed some time back, but will make another attempt when vacations are over.

**Department Head Signature.....Dave Simmons**

**Department:** By-law Enforcement

**Monthly Activity:**

Doing many building inspections for all types of permits issued.

Issued 26 Building Permits at a value of \$1 570 000.00 in total. 8 new single family dwellings, 14 addition/renovation to existing residential, 1 agricultural accessory buildings and 2 residential accessory buildings.

We had our summer student (Dustin) review our files and notify by mail anyone who purchased a dog tag in 2004 and have not yet purchased a dog tag for 2005.

**RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD:** None

**Department Head Signature.....Jacques Benoit**

**Committee Reports – Public Works Committee**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

**2005-160 “Be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region accept the low tender of \$15,070.00 from Lucknow for a front mounted snow blower.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Committee Reports – Fire Committee**

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-161 “Be it resolved that the Council enter into Municipal Forest Fire Management Agreement with Ministry of Natural Resources.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Committee Reports – Fire Committee**

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

**2005-162 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region hire Elwin Weber – Beachburg as a firefighter.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**By-Law – Vereyken**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-163 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a by-law to authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to execute a Supplementary Subdivision Agreement with Adrian Vereyken & Sons Development Limited. The said by-law to be read a first, second and third time, be numbered 05-08-195 and be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the by-law book this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2005.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**By-Law – Robertson**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

**2005-164 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a by-law to amend By-Law Number 98-13 of the former Corporation of the Township of Westmeath to rezone lands in Part Lot 30, Concession East Front “B” from Waterfront Vicinity – Exception 9 to Waterfront Vicinity – Exception 17. The said by-law to be read a first, second and third time, be numbered 05-08-196 and be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the by-law book this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2005.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Severance Applications**

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

**2005-165 “Be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region support Severance Applications B53/05, B57/05, B56/05, B80/05 providing concerns stated by the Planner are being met.”**

Carried

Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Development Agreement**

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

**2005-166** “Be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region authorize the Reeve and Clerk to enter into an agreement on behalf of the Corporation with Martin Vereyken relating to matters directed by the Ontario Municipal Board.”

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Planning Justification Report**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-167** “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region accept the Planning Justification Report prepared by Jp2g Consultants Inc. for Brian Cooney and John Levesque on Parts Lot 14 and 15 Concession “A” EML.”

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Tender Award**

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Beulah Wright

**2005-168** “Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Whitewater Region accept the tender from H & H Construction in the amount of \$58,610.90.”

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Promotional Campaign – My Community**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

**2005-169** “Be it resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region wishes to participate in the “My Community” campaign at a cost of \$1,500.00.”

Not Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Support of Resolution**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-170** “Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region support the Township of Brudenell, Lyndock and Raglan in requesting that the Province of Ontario provide funding to municipalities to implement the Emergency Management Act and to subsidize municipalities in performing annual exercises, training, public awareness etc.”

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Surplus Land**

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

**2005-171** “Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region declare Lot 26, Plan 145, Beachburg and Lot 311, Plan 65 Cobden to be surplus to the Municipality.”

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

#### **Request for Financial Support – Smerle**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

**2005-172** “Be it resolved that Council support Bill Smerle in supporting a meat packaging plant in Eastern Ontario with a donation of \$1,000.00 for a study.”

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

**Adjournment**

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2005-173 “Be it resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated August 3, 2005 be adjourned at 3:15 p.m.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell  
Reeve

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Reeve – Donald Rathwell

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CAO – Dean Sauriol