

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Council Meeting

Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting Date: Wednesday October 5, 2005

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

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

- A. Public Meeting
- i) Zoning Amendment - Pt Lot 1, Conc 6 EML – Ross – Klaesi
 - ii) Zoning Amendment – Pt Lot 4, Conc 20 – Ross – Milligan
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. Joe Jackson – Clean Waterworks Inc - Presentation
 9. **Departmental Reports**

Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire Department, Roads, Water & Sewage, By-law Enforcement
 10. **Committee Reports**
 11. **Bylaws**
 1. 05 – 10 – 200 Boundary Road Maintenance Agreement – Laurentian Valley
 2. 05 – 10 – 201 Sale of Municipal Property – Minto Street, Beachburg & John Street, Cobden
 3. 05 – 10 – 202 Zoning Amendment - Pt Lot 1, Conc 6 EML – Ross – Klaesi
 4. 05 – 10 – 203 Zoning Amendment – Pt Lot 4, Conc 20 – Ross – Milligan
 5. 05 – 10 – 204 Lease Agreement Fisheries and Oceans - Wharfs
 6. 05 – 10 – 205 Stop Sign Bylaw
 12. **Misc. Correspondence**
 13. **New/Unfinished Business**
 1. Severance Application - Pt Lot 26, Con West Front “E” Westmeath > Bromley > B184/05(1) & B185/05(2)
 2. Livestock Claim - Dunlop
 3. Tile Drain Loan - Martin
 - 4.
 14. **Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.**
 15. **Adjournment**

Public Meeting

Moved by Ron Low, Seconded by Art Cobb

2005-195 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into a Public Meeting in connection with the two Zoning By-law Amendments.

1. **Zoning Amendments – Pt Lot 1, Conc 6 EML – Ross – Klaesi**
2. **Zoning Amendments – Pt Lot 4, Conc 20 – Ross – Milligan**

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Jacob Rook was absent

i) Clerk reviewed the Notification Requirement

Mr. Benjamin Strehler (Consultant) was present to speak on behalf of the Applicant. Mr. Strehler explained how an anaerobic digester works and the reasons for such a process and its successes.

Mr. Paul Klaesi stated reasons for such an expansion is based on the nutrient management Act and must obtain a copy of it from the Ministry of the Environment.

Dave Stewart (Solicitor) was present representing Donna and Ken Hawthorne. A question was posed by Mr. Stewart that his client has reported that there are some odors, could he comment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawthorne have expressed some concerns regarding the odors. It was stated that they have lost significant enjoyment of their home and to have a further digester created and placed closer to their home, it would create further odor.

Pat Krose was present. She was concerned with the extreme reduction of the setbacks. There is quite a movement of traffic along Government Road and adding such a development would increase traffic.

Ms. Krose read a quote from the OMAFRA letter regarding the acceptance of off-site material.

Dr. Fulton of Zion Line was present. She spoke of the issues regarding pathogens and effects on the waterways and land base.

Mr. Stewart commented:

- Application – Set-backs are in question
- Planning Section 3 under Policy Statements
- Section 7 of MDS states must consult with Agriculture and Food. Has that been done?
- Could the development be relocated to another part of the property?

Ms. Hawthorne commented that the barn mentioned was being used in 1982 and there was no odour, however since the digester in 1995 there has been significant odour.

Councillor Rook arrived at 1:50 p.m.

Councillor Trimm

1. Can it be placed in a different location?

Deputy Reeve Ron Lowe

1. Is there any way of eliminating the odour?
2. Concerned about offsite material.

Councillor Cobb

1. Made comments on odour issues.

Councillor Labow

1. Was concerned with the future expansion of the farm.

Councillor Rook

1. Could a roof be placed on that Storage Pit?

Councillor Wright

1. We are lead to believe that we should not question new energy sources.

Councillor McLaughlin

1. Wondered if the Storage Pit would crust over?

Councillor Ferguson

1. Understands both sides.

Mr. Klaesi stated it would be possible to place the Storage Pit at the back of the barn but he was concerned about it's proximity to the lake.

Three residents submitted letters of opposition.

- ii) Clerk reviewed the Notification Requirement.
Mr. and Mrs. Milligan were present.
There were no questions or concerns.

Public Meeting

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

2005-196 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Public Meeting dated October 5, 2005 be hereby adjourned at 2:20 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

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

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol

Prayer was recited

Clerk conducted Roll Call

Conflict – Councillor Trimm declared conflict with Item #13

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2005-197 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the agenda dated October 5, 2005 for the Regular Council Meeting as submitted.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

2005-198 “Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Regular Council Meeting dated September 21, 2005 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adoption of Accounts

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2005-199 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached schedule of Accounts for the period September 1 – September 30, 2005, In the amount of \$801,660.54 in general purposes and \$26,221.57 for Water Purposes and that the above accounts be paid.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Delegation

1. Joe Jackson – Clean Waterworks Inc – Presentation
Mr. Jackson explained the process that his company works under. Company provides a lining process for existing water drains

Cost: Open Cut - \$720.00/metre New Lining \$560.00/metre

Departmental Reports

Reports were reviewed and discussed.

Fire Department consensus is that we replace the tank on Truck 9718. Cost of this replacement will be part of the Fire 2005 Budget.

Department: Waste Management

Monthly Activity:

Thursday, September 1st, 2005, received order of 50,000 yellow Township waste bags for distribution.

Friday, September 2nd, 2005, Waste Management Department staff attended an educational tour of the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre.

Perry from Jp2g was into the Westmeath Site for Fall sampling. No surface water available for sampling. Golder Associates given the go-ahead for Fall sampling program for the Ross and Cobden Sites. The anticipated Fall Free Leaf and Yard Waste event for residents will be held at the Cobden Site only. Space is not sufficient at the Westmeath Site for high volume traffic and the stockpiling of leaf and yard waste is no longer occurring. The Free day is tentatively scheduled for the last week of October or the first week of November.

I am hoping to continue operations at the Westmeath Site well into November or perhaps early December. It appears the remaining capacity is sufficient.

The 1987 Dodge truck has been picked up and taken away for scrap.

The John Deere 792 excavator has been functioning with reduced power as of late. The unit used to smoke badly when under load and now is smoking always. Power loss is also evident. Inner and outer air filters have been replaced and I have determined that the Turbo is not functioning. There is a hole rusted through the Turbine Housing on the Turbo unit. Parts will be ordered.

The majority of the stockpile of fridges and deep freezes have been crushed and removed from the Westmeath Site. We should have the remainder cleaned up by the end of the month.

There has been no word yet on MOE feedback with respect to reopening the Ross Site. It is still with Assessments and Approvals Branch in Toronto. The Westmeath Site Closure Plan I believe is currently under review in Toronto as I was requested to submit another copy recently.

Department Head SignatureSteve Hodson

Department: Treasurer

Monthly Activity:

County and School Board Levies

The County and School Board Levies were paid on September 30, 2005. A total of \$953,898.86 was paid, \$486,900.00 to the County and \$466,998.96 to the School Boards. No borrowing is necessary as a GIC will be cashed to cover the expenses.

Budget

The Township's budget is fairly well in line with the budgeted figures. Some areas such as Building Permits Revenue might be a little low, but other areas such as Aggregate License Income and Blue Box Funding are well above the budgeted amount. These accounts are almost impossible to budget for. The Other Category in Council's budget is over by \$6,000.00 since this is the Whitewater Region signs paid for by the remainder of the Restructuring Fund. Administration is under budget, however no salary adjustments have been paid.. The Fire Department Budget is over in Equipment Repairs and Capital Expenditure. The last is due to paving of the hill down to the fire hall in Beachburg. Building and By-Law Enforcement is well under budget. The Total Transportation Budget is well under budget. Some categories such as culverts and dust control is slightly higher than what was budgeted for. Sewer is well under budget. The Total Waste Management Budget is under budget. More Garbage bags had to be purchased and the cost was a little higher than budgeted for. Also fuel cost for the excavator is higher than expected.

Department Head Signature.....Randi Keith

Department: Fire

Monthly Activity:

September	5	Chief Moore attends Westmeath practices x 4
September	5	Chief Heubner met with Christie and Whalter on Radios
September	6	Chief's Heubner, Moore discuss e-mails from County and the upcoming county chief's meeting
September	7	Chief Heubner attends Council Meeting
September	7	Chief Heubner attends Cobden practice
September	8	Chief's Heubner, Moore attend County Chief's meeting
September	11	Chief Heubner met with Captain Ron Buchwald, and Deputy Chief Mike Moore
September	14	Chief's Heubner, Moore work on letters received
September	15	Chief's Heubner, Moore continued on letters
September	19	Chief's Heubner, Moore attended Foresters Falls interviews.
September	20	Chief Moore and Beachburg/Westmeath Stns. received Oxygen training
September	21	Chief Heubner attended Westmeath Interviews
September	24	Chief Heubner and Wife attended Beachburg Firefighters Assoc. Pancake breakfast.
September	27	Chief Heubner/Moore attend Beachburg interviews
September	28	Chief's Heubner/Moore attend Haley's interviews

Total Emergency (Station) Responses For September 12

STN #1 – Haley's

August	31	(OPP Control Fire) 2246 Kerr Line
September	7	(MVA) 2.5 Km east of Haley's Highway #17
September	8	(MVA) 9 Pembroke St. Cobden
September	9	(MVA) Cobden – Eganville Road
September	25	(House Fire) 4413 Beachburg Road

STN#2 - Cobden

September	3	(Heat sensor Alarm) 7 Bonnechere St. Cobden.
September	7	(MVA) 2.5 Km East of Haley's Highway #17

September 8 (MVA) 9 Pembroke Street, Cobden
September 21 (Barn Fire False Alarm) Cornerview and Mountainview Roads)
September 25 (House Fire 4413 Beachburg Road

STN#3 – Foresters Falls

August 31 (OPP Control Fire) 2246 Kerr Line
September 21 (Alarm Activation) 1078 Grant Settlement Road
September 25 (House Fire) 4413 Beachburg Road

STN #4 – Beachburg

September 7 (Hydro Fire) 3 Harris Cres., Beachburg
September 8 (Car Fire) Pleasant Valley & Lapasse Rd.
September 8 (Garbage Burning) 3 Harris Cres. Beachburg
September 21 (Barn Fire False) Cornerview and Mountain Rd.
September 25 (House Fire) 4413 Beachburg Road
September 29 (Hydro/Tree Fire) 18 Spent Trail

STN #5 – Westmeath

September 8 (Car Fire) Pleasant Valley and Lapasse Road
September 25 (House Fire) 4413 Beachburg Road
September 29 (Hydro/Tree Fire) 18 Spent Trail

Truck/Hall Report

Haley's STN #1 – Hayley's Tanker #9719 had a major leak in the tank which has been repaired

Cobden STN #2 – Pumper 9633 was painter on running boards.

Foresters Falls STN #3 –

Beachburg STN #4 – Beachburg Tanker #9718 needs a new water tank as the old one cannot be repaired.

Westmeath STN #5 – Rescue 9844 had radio repairs done.

Recommendations / Motions To Be Brought Forward

Tanker 9718 needs a new tank, and I would recommend that it be done as the truck itself is in good shape.

A number of Bunker suits had to be purchased for Whitewater Region as some of the older ones that were tested failed. Pump test have started on the fleet, with some older trucks no longer pumping to capacity. The smoke alarm program inspections will start in mid October for the Simplified Risk Assessment.

Department Head Signature.....Wayne Heubner

Department: Public Works

Monthly Activity:

We have paved the improvements on Kohlsmith Rd. completing this project, we will have the cost for this project in the near future, so the transfer to maintenance can be made. We changed five culverts on acres Rd. and have filled in some dips ditched were required we are widening the narrow sections on this years section of this project, this years section is almost complete. Astrolabe Rd. project is nearing completion the granulars have been placed the manhole lids ,water valves and gas valves have been adjusted. The paving is expected to be under way the first week of October. Three of our tandems worked on the Municipal drain. (Elmac Rd.) We completed the ditching in Westmeath on Synton St. Requested by Council.(Street to boat Launch) We brushed Olmstead Jeffery Lake Rd. with the brush hog. We repaired(removed cleaned and replaced) a culvert on Dittburner Rd. and finished some ditching on the Kerr Line. We have graded the gravel rds as often as conditions allowed. Cold patching is ongoing and continues to be big demand on resources. We placed thirty six loads of sand at the waste for cover as a temporary measure until we can schedule our fall haul. At this time a direction has not been decided on for our equipment, and we have two tandems that require extensive repairs to be able to plow this winter so I have initiated the repairs TR 8 plow, box& box frame. TR9 box These repairs are a temporary fix.

Department Head Signature.....Hal Johnson

Department: Water and Sewage

Monthly Activity:

Normal operation and maintenance activities for the month of September included the following:
The colored water problem, which began in the Cobden water system in August, has continued throughout September. Specifics, regarding elevated raw water manganese levels as being the cause of the problem, are dealt with in a letter to Council dated September 21, 2005. As was noted in the letter, manganese levels above 0.05 mg/l in the source water can cause colored water conditions. It is hoped that the cause of the problem has passed as no complaints have been received since September 22nd and also a sample of raw water taken on September 28th tested at 0.026 mg/l manganese with the treated water testing at 0.016 mg/l both of which are below the maximum recommended concentration of 0.05 mg/l. As well, pre-chlorine demand has dropped to the level it was at prior to the onset of the problem.
Another problem at the Cobden WTP has been identified. Manual scouring of the filters, which is currently being done weekly, is no longer adequate to return the filters to proper filtration and backwash rates. Although further confirmation is being investigated, it is believed that the source of the problem is blocked filter under drain strainers possibly due to the manganese problem. It is uncertain how long the system can continue to operate should the amount of blockage increase. Replacement of the 174 strainers and also of the filter media would have to occur some time prior to this critical point in time. Hopefully we can hold out until the plant upgrades are done.
Regulation 170 does not provide for a reduction in sampling frequency for large municipal systems which the Beachburg WTP is classified as so a reduction has not been applied for. A new transformer, panel and necessary wiring has been installed at the Beachburg WTP in order to remove two of the electric heating furnaces from an overloaded transformer. A leakage of water on the floor in the entrance to the building is being inspected. It is thought that an eave trough may be required to divert precipitation away from the outside back wall.
An application that was made to reduce sampling frequency at the Haley WTP has been followed up with the result that Bacteriological sampling previously done weekly on the distribution system is now being done bi-weekly. A faulty magnetrol air control valve at the Sullivan St. pump-house has been repaired and awaits installation. The amperometric chlorine analyzer at the Heather Place well required dismantling, cleaning, and lubrication to restore proper operation.

Final repairs to the ferric chloride system have been completed at the Cobden WWTP. New piping, valves and thermostats have been installed. The excavated trench has been refilled. A new sodium hypochlorite solution transfer piping system has been designed and installed to replace a system that was plugging and requiring replacement several times per year. The new system also appears to be solving a problem of excessive chlorine residual oscillations in the plant final effluent. The plant roof is scheduled for replacement in October.

Department Head Signature.....Dave Simmons

Department: By-Law Enforcement

Monthly Activity:

- Doing many building inspections for all types of permits issued.
- Issued 11 Building Permits at a value of \$ 199 000.00 in total. 6 addition/renovation to existing residential, 1 agricultural building and 4 residential accessory buildings.
- Attended an AMCTO workshop in Kingston about Building and Panning fees in regards to Bill 124.

RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD: None

Department Head Signature.....Jacques Benoit

Committee Reports

1. Public Works Committee - Were reviewed and discussed

Maintenance Agreement

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Joseph Trimm

2005- 200 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to enter into agreement with Laurentian Valley in connection with boundary road maintenance and the said bylaw be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 05-10-200 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed by the By-law Book this 5th day of October, 2005.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Sale of Municipal Property

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jim Labow

2005-201 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to enter into a sale of municipal property agreement regarding peoperty located on Minto Street, Beachburg and John Street, Cobden and the said by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 05-10-201 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 5th day of October, 2005.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Zoning Amendment

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2005-202 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region Tabled Item ii 3) Zoning Amendment By-law – Klaesi”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Zoning Amendment

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2005-203 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to amend the Ross Township Zoning By-law Pt Lot 4, Conc 20 EML – Ross – Milligan and the said by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 05-10-202 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 5th day of October, 2005”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Lease Agreement Fisheries and Oceans

Moved by Joseph Trimm, Seconded by Art Cobb

2005-204 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region

enact a By-law to enter a lease agreement with Fisheries and Oceans regarding Wharfs and the said by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law numbered 05-10-203 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 5th day of October, 2005.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Stop Sign By-Law

Moved by Joseph Trimm, Seconded by Art Cobb

2005-205 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law identifying all municipal stop sign locations and the said by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 05-10-205 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 5th day of October, 2005”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Miscellaneous Correspondence – None

Severance Application

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Art Cobb

2005-206 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B184/05 (1) and B185/05 (2) Bromley, on the condition that the Planning Report issues regarding the ANSI and Flood Plain envelop are addressed.

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Livestock Claim

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2005-207 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region reimburse Doug Dunlop for two sheep killed by wolves. Amount \$232.00.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Tile Drain Loan

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2005-208 “Be it Resolved that Council approve the Tile Drain Application for Aaron Martin in the amount of \$16,000.00.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Personnel

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2005-209 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into Committee of the Whole to discuss Personnel.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adjournment

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2005-210 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region Committee of the Whole Meeting, dated October 5th, 2005 hereby be adjourned.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adjournment

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2005-211 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated October 5th, 2005 be adjourned at 4:55 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

REEVE

CAO/CLERK