

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Council Meeting**

Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting
Place: **Municipal Council Chambers**

Date: Wednesday December 20, 2006
Start Time: **7:00 p.m.**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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. **Delegation**
 - i) Jon VanSchyndel – Timber Wolf Aviation Ltd
8. **Committee Reports**
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9. **Bylaws**
 1. 06-12-272 Animal Control Bylaw
10. **Misc Correspondence**
 1. Valley Gospel Chapel – Thank You Card
 2. National Farmers Union - Information
11. **New/Unfinished Business**
 1. Appointment of Municipal Mechanic
 2. 2007 Municipal Insurance Renewal
 3. Animal Control Contract Renewal
 4. Cobden Activities Association – Cobden Winter Carnival – Feb 2-4/07
 5. Snowmobile Drag Races Feb 3& 4/07 - Information
 6. Severance Application - Pt Lot 19, Conc 2 Ross > Dombroskie B160/06 & B162/06
 7. Severance Application - Pt Lot 7, Conc 5 EML Westmeath > D'Aoust > B163/06(1) & B164/06(2)
 8. Severance Application - Pt Lot 14, Conc 3 Westmeath > Pietersma >B125/06
 9. Laptop Computers – Use by Councillors
 10. Municipal Election Comparison – Information
 11. Tile Drain Loan – McLaughlin
 12. Tax Write Offs
 13. Allocation of Funds to Reserves
12. **Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.**
13. **Adjournment**

Present: Mayor Donald Rathwell, Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe Councillors: Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Izett McBride, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook, and Joseph Trimm

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol

Prayer was recited

Clerk conducted Roll Call

Conflict – Councillor McLaughlin reported a conflict regarding Item # 11

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-559 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the agenda dated December 20th, 2006 for the Regular Council Meeting as submitted.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

2006-560 “Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Regular Council Meeting dated December 6, 2006 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Jon VanSchyndel - Timberwolf Aviation Ltd.

Mr. Jon VanSchyndel and Mr. Lawson Smith were present to address Council.

Reviewed new proposed Business - Helicopter repairs and overhaul Industry.

- 1) Re-zoning required?
- 2) Tax Assessment?

Most parts will be purchased from Manufacturers. Employment for approximately 25 people. Closing of school on January 26.

We await direction and conversation from the Developer.

Committee Reports

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-561 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to amended Municipal Committee representation as submitted.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Animal Control

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

2006-562 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to Authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into an Agreement with Valley Animal Control 501900 Ontario Limited regarding the control of animals and the said by-law be read a first, second, and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 06-12-272 be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 20th day of December, 2006.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Valley Gospel Chapel - Thank you

Information given

National Farmer’s Union - Thank you

Information given

Appointment of Municipal Mechanic

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2006-563 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region recently conducted a recruitment process for a municipal mechanic. From that process we are pleased to appoint Mr. Robert Wright to that position. The employment relationship will begin on January 8, 2007.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

2007 Municipal Insurance Renewal

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-564 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to Renew the Municipal Insurance with Jardine Lloyd Thompson Canada for the year ending December 31, 2007 at a cost of \$121, 671.00 plus applicable taxes.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Cobden Winter Carnival

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2006-565 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region acknowledges the Cobden Winter Carnival February 3 & 4, 2007 as a community festival with municipal significance that does not knowingly contravene any municipal bylaws.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Snowmobile Drag Races - Information

Severance Application - Dombroskie

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jim Labow

2006-566 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B160/06 and B162/06 - Dombroskie.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - D’Aoust

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jim Labow

2006-567 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objection to severance application B163/06(1) & B164/06(2) - D’Aoust on condition that the lot is large enough to accommodate a septic system based on the Building Code.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - Pietersma

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Izett McBride

2006-568 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region has reviewed severance application B125/06 - Pietersma and agrees with the County Planning report that the severance is not consistent with the Provincial Policy Statements and a zoning by-law amendment would be required stating that no building will be permitted on the severed parcel.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Laptop Computers - Use by Councillors

Councillor Trimm stated that this item be forwarded to a Finance and Administration Committee.

Municipal Election Comparison - Information

Tile Drain Loan - McLaughlin

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jim Labow

2006-569 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve a Tile Drain Loan for Dwayne McLaughlin in the amount of \$22, 500.00 and approve a Tile Drain Loan for Dwayne and Terrie McLaughlin in the amount of \$22, 500.00. This application replaces an application for a Tile Drain Loan approved on June 21st, 2006 on resolution 2006-435.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Tax Write-Offs

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2006-570 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region write off \$77, 837.48 in taxes, 2005 taxes \$11, 485.98 under Section 357, 2006 taxes \$10, 956.62 under Section 357, 2006 taxes written off under Section 354 in the amount of \$46, 475.70, Under Section 364 \$8, 782.86, 2004 taxes under Section 357 in the amount of \$136.32. This is the municipal portion of the taxes.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Allocation of Funds to Reserves

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Jim Labow

2006-571 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region allocate the following amounts to Reserves \$20, 000.00 from Account # 50-04-5240 transfer to Reserves to 20-04-2720 - fire purposes, \$9, 000.00 from Account #50-03-4440 Transfer to Reserve (Admin) to 20-04-2670 - Reserve for computers,

\$5, 000.00 - Transfer from Account #50-04-5470 - Transfer to Reserves to Account 20-04-2675 in the general ledger. Also Council approves allocating \$50, 000.00 from Account # 10-80-4540 - Transfer to Reserves (Cobden) to Account # 10-30-2410 - Reserves for Waterworks Upgrade, Cobden, and \$30, 000 - from Account # 20-80-4540 - Transfer to Reserves to Account #20-30-2410 - Reserves for upgrades waterworks (Beachburg)."

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adjournment

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Izett McBride

2006-572 "Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated December 20th, 2006 be adjourned at 8:25 p.m."

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

MAYOR

CAO/Clerk