

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Council Meeting**

Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting Date: Wednesday January 4, 2006

Place: Municipal Council Chambers Start Time: 1:00 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. Adoption of the Accounts
8. **Delegation**
 1. Andrew Polley MOE – Biosolids and Septage Policies
9. **Departmental Reports**

Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire
10. **Committee Reports**
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11. **Bylaws**
 - a) 06-01-219 2006 Temporary Borrowing Bylaw
 - b) 06-01-220 2006 Appointment of Municipal Officials
12. **Misc Correspondence**
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13. **New/Unfinished Business**
 1. 2006 Municipal Insurance Renewal
 2. Severance Application - Pt Lot 6, Conc 5 Beachburg > Vereyken > B239/05
 3. Severance Application - Pt Lot 5, Conc 1 Cobden > Dodd > B231/05
 4. Severance Application - Pt Lot 5, Conc 1 Cobden > Brace/Chartrand > B212/05
 5. Widerness Tours Drainage Ditch – Direction
 6. Snowmobile Drag Races – Muskrat Lake – Change of Date Jan 28 & 29, 2006
 7. Cobden Carnival - Community Festival – February 4 & 5, 2006
 8. Request for Street light – Foresters Falls Rink
14. **Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.**
15. **Adjournment**

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: Dean Sauriol

Prayer was recited

Clerk conducted Roll Call

Conflict - None reported

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2006-298 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the agenda dated January 4th, 2006 for the Regular Council Meeting as submitted.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2006-299 “Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Regular Council Meeting dated December 21st, 2005 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell

Adoption of Accounts

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2006-300 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached schedule of Accounts for the period December 1st – December 31st, 2005 in the amount of \$1,030,590.16 in general purposes and \$30,761.65 for Water Purposes and that the above accounts be paid.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Delegation

1. Mr. Andrew Polley, from MOE, was present to discuss the Ministry's position on Biosolids and Septage Policies.

Mr. Polley reported on the current status as per the MOE. Ministry has intention on banning spreading of Septage on fields but to date has no date to implement. Winter spreading is currently not permitted.

Discussed the different types of standards that the MOE has implemented.

Mr. Polley reviewed some of the treatment options:

- Lime stabilization
- Compost and Lagoon treatment of composting
- Reed bed and Sand bed filters.
- Geo Tube de-watering.

Many items of discussion were reviewed.

Departmental Reports

Waste Management Department

December, 2005

Monthly Activities:

Work at the Ross Landfill Site continued into December and was completed Thursday, December 15th, 2005. Phase One Trench was excavated from the existing waste mound at the North West corner progressing in the South West direction. Removed material was pushed up into berms along the length of the trench. Approximately 160' of the base (lowest grade) of the trench was exposed along with another 160' of gently sloping road which enters the trench from the South West direction (incorporated down the middle of the slope). All excavated material pushed up into berms along the length resulted in side slopes of roughly 45 degrees. Material was placed beyond the side perimeters of the in-fill area at the existing field elevation and remaining material within the side slopes of the trench shall be removed as needed for daily cover as the waste mound progresses. This foresight/plan considers efficient operations, easy access and turn-around areas and should allow for several years of land filling before having to excavate another section of the trench. I believe it is the best plan of attack for this portion of site development.

Access road development at Ross was also carried out while the equipment was on site. Our trucks and loader supplied granular A material from Ferguson's pit and the D6 spread. It took much aggregate but the result is a terrific base on all on-site roads as well as the base of the trench. Grading will be required when seasonally appropriate and these roads shouldn't need material or patch work for years.

Invitation for Tender for the Supply and Installation of Hydro Service at the Ross Site has been mailed out to Crozier Electric as well as the Ottawa River Power Corporation. We already have Hydro One's price to install and they are not competitive with these installation jobs.

Thursday, December 8th, 2005, Groundwater Sampling being conducted at the Cobden Site by Chuck with Golder Associates and I assisted Perry with Jp2g conducting Groundwater Sampling at the Westmeath Site. By assisting the Technician in the field it helps reduce the hourly rate for his services.

Friday, December 9th, 2005, I assisted Perry with Jp2g conduct the required annual topographic survey of the Westmeath site. This is required for the annual operations report for our working site. Again, by assisting, the hourly rate for his services is reduced.

The Public Works Department provided sand for the Westmeath site to use as daily cover to get us into the winter until closure. This will be the last bit of material provided, as the cold will no longer allow it. Eventually, the stockpile provided will freeze as well. This result in typical winter operations, relying solely on snow and specific waste loads (such as asphalt shingles) for cover material. I also had Buchanan's supply us with another eight (8) loads of sand/gravel to add to the stockpile.

Beginning work on a Work Plan for the Cobden Site, which must address some outstanding issues, as ordered by the Ministry of Environment in their Site Inspection Reports (October 18th, 2005). The Plan is to be submitted by January 31st, 2006 and must be accompanied by a Resolution by Council. Some key issues being addressed include; the acquisition of a Contaminant Attenuation Zone (land purchase or easement, outstanding issue since 1996 or 1997), Interim or Final Closure of the Waste Mound, Assessment of the Monitoring Network of Wells, Current Monitoring Reports and review of application for

an updated C of A.

Space at Westmeath is holding out as incoming waste volumes has slowed considerably due to the time of year.

Received the Final Draft Certificate of Approval for the Ross Landfill Site from Assessment & Approvals Branch. Upon review and discussions with our Consultant, we recognized the Final Draft, the process and all of its provisions and provided input to MOE. It now has to be signed off by the Director at Assessment & Approvals and we may see the Certificate of Approval by mid to late January.

Department Head Signature.....Steven Hodson

DEPARTMENT: TREASURER

DATE: DECEMBER 2005

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

2006 Assessment

We have received the 2006 assessment roll. This year all properties were re-assessed. We have seen an overall increase in assessment of \$54,224,197 or 13.32%. There is an increase of 16.6% in Residential, 34.02% increase in Multi-Residential, 19.38% increase in Commercial, a decrease of 66.92% in Industrial, and a decrease of 9.25% in Large Industrial These decreases are due to the closing of the Timminco Westmeath plant and the reduction at Timminco at Haley's. Pipeline has decreased by 0.22%. Farmland has increased by 4.49% and Managed Forest has decreased by 27.13%

By using the 2005 Tax Rate and calculate with the 2006 Assessment Roll we will generate \$222,442.20 more in taxes.

County and School board levies

The 4th installment of the County and School Board levies were paid on December 15, 2005. \$486,899.00 was paid to the County of Renfrew and \$457,238.04 was paid to the four school boards. A GIC was cashed to cover these payments. We paid \$ 1,999,525.92 to the County and \$1,790,589.10 to the four school boards.

Policing

We have received the 2006 Annual Estimate for Policing. It has been estimated at \$633,077. The 2005 Estimate was \$623,108 so the increase for the estimated invoice is 1.6%. /the 2004 reconciliation gave us a reduction of \$59,127.

Budget

The budget looks like it will be close to the budgeted amount. These are not the audited figures and there are still invoices to come in. Revenue has increased due to Gas Tax not budgeted for and garbage bags revenue increase. Council is over budget due to more spent on seminars and signs for Whitewater Region. Administration is over due to more money allocated to Reserves than what was budgeted for. Fire Protection is over budget due to more spent on equipment repairs and vehicle repairs. Building, By-Law Enforcement and Planning is under budget. Transportation is over budget on equipment repairs and salary. Another employee was hired that had not been budgeted for. Salt is also over budget. Waste Management is well under budget. Parks and Recreation is within the budget and the Industrial Park is under budget.

OMPF (Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund) reconciliation

We will be getting \$6,733 extra from the OMPF reconciliation. Our weighted assessment is reduced due to reduced Industrial assessment.

Department Head Signature.....Randi Keith

Department: Fire

December 2005

Fire Chief: Wayne Heubner

CHIEF/DEPUTY CHIEF'S MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

- Dec 1/05 Chief's Heubner/Moore met with Fire Prevention Public Education Captain Terry Moore about 2006 advertising.
- Dec 2/05 CAO met with Department Heads.
- Dec 5/05 Chief Moore attends Westmeath Station practice x 4.
- Dec 3/05 Chief Heubner attends Beachburg Santa Claus Parade.
- Dec 4/05 Chief Heubner and Wife attended Beachburg Fire Association Christmas Dinner.
- Dec 6/05 Chief Heubner met with Fort Garry Fire Truck rep.
- Dec 9/05 Chief's Heubner, Wife & D.C. Moore attend staff party.
- Dec 15/05 Chief Heubner met with Doug Kitley.
- Dec 19/05 Chief's Heubner/Moore attended Westmeath practice.
- Dec 28/05 Chief Heubner met with Fort Garry Fire Rep. Pete Somerton.
- Dec 29/05 Chief's Heubner/Moore along with Fire Chair Jim Labow and several members of Council view a new truck from fort Garry Fire Truck.

TOTAL EMERGENCY (STATION) RESPONSES FOR DECEMBER

- STN. #1 HALEY'S**
- Dec 7 (Brush Fire) Pinewood Part & Highway # 17
- Dec 15 (Flue Fire) 1291 Chenaux Rd.
- Dec 27 (M.V.A.) Main Street, Beachburg

- STN #2 COBDEN**
- Dec 13 (Corn Field Fire) Behm Line
- Dec 14 (Car Fire) 1021 Sutherland Rd
- Dec 15 (Flue Fire) 1291 Chenaux Rd

- STN #3 FORESTERS FALLS**

Dec 15 (Flue Fire) 1291 Chenaux Rd

STN #4 BEACHBURG

Dec 14 (Car Fire) 1021 Sutherland Rd

Dec. 26 (Carbon Monoxide) 1304 Lookout Rd

STN #5 WESTMEATH

Dec 26 (Carbon Monoxide) 1304 Lookout Rd

TRUCK/HALL REPORT

HALEY'S STN 1 Viewed new pumper/Rescue from Fort Garry F.T.

COBDEN STN 2

F. FALLS STN 3 All work has been completed on Pumper/Tanker truck #9640

BEACHBURG STN 4

WESTMEATH STN 5 Furnace in the truck bay's not working called Ultramar. We should replace this furnace.

RECOMMENDATIONS/MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD

The operating Guideline for Whitewater Region have been completed by the DC. and myself, and are now with the CAO before turning over to the Fire Committee.

Additional bunker suits should be purchased for Whitewater Region.

A complete year-end report will be submitted to Fire Chair later.

Department Head Signature.....Wayne Heubner

Department : Plants

Date : December, 2005

Monthly Activities:

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

The MOE conducted an inspection at the Cobden Water Treatment Plant on December 8th. The inspection appeared to go well. An inspection report will be forthcoming.

The filter under drain strainer flushing, that was done last month, continues to show good results as the backwashing rates of the filters has remained fairly constant since the strainers were flushed.

Some new electrical receptacles have been installed and some wiring cleaned up to satisfy requirements of a recent electrical inspection.

A draft inspection report for the November inspection at the Beachburg Water Treatment Plant was received and commented on. This is the first time that We have received a draft report requesting comments.

Some electrical wiring changes have been done at the Beachburg Plant and installation of a section of eave trough is forthcoming (water had been seeping onto the floor around a transformer in the generator room). These things are being done to satisfy a recent electrical inspection.

A 12 hour pumping test was conducted at the new Haley Heather Place Well. A connection at the pump house electrical panel was provided to the testers in order for them to conduct the test without having to use a portable generator. A 72 pumping test is to be conducted early in January, 2006.

Irvcon roofing was back at the Cobden Wastewater Treatment Plant to complete installation of roof flashing.

A reed bed Biosolids and Septage disposal system meeting was attended in the Admaston/Bromley township office.

A meeting was also attended with representatives from the Pembroke Waste Water Facility regarding a proposal to construct a Biosolids storage facility.

A paper containing needs and concerns regarding Biosolids disposal was prepared for Council.

The Clean Water Act is only at the proposal stage so no comments will be made at this time.

Department Head Signature.....David Simmons

DEPARTMENT: Building and By-law Enforcement

DATE: December, 2005

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES:

-Doing some building inspections for all types of permits issued and trying to close off building permit files for 2005.

-Issued 7 Building Permits at a value of \$ 159 000.00 in total. 1 new single family dwelling, 3 addition/renovation to existing residential, 1 residential plumbing, and 2 residential accessory building additions.

RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD: NONE

Department Head Signature.....Jacques Benoit

Committee Reports

- a) CPAC Minutes were submitted – Information given

By-Laws

2006 Temporary Borrowing By-Law

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2006-301 "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to authorize temporary borrowing for the 2006 and the said by-

law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law numbered 06-01-219 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-Law Book this 4th day of January, 2006.

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

2006 Appointment of Municipal Officials

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2006-302 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to appoint Municipal Officials for the 2006 year and the said by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law numbered 06-01-220 be signed by the Reeve and clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-Law Book this 4th day of January, 2006.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Miscellaneous Correspondence – None

New/Unfinished Business

2006 Municipal Insurance Renewal

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-303 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the township of Whitewater Region award the 2006 municipal insurance to Jardine Lloyd Thompson Canada at a cost of \$114, 331.00.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Severance Application – Vereyken

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

2006-304 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B239/05 – Vereyken.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Severance Application – Dodd

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-305 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B 231/05 – Dodd although the retained lot will not meet the minimum lot area requirement of the Zoning By-law.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Severance Application – Brace/Chartrand

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-306 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B212/05 – Brace/Chartrand as long as the lot line is a minimum of 1 meter from house.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Wilderness Tours Drainage Ditch

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2006-307 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to enter into an agreement with Wilderness Tours regarding the drainage ditch and that this agreement be placed on title.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Snowmobile Drag Races – Muskrat Lake

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-308 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to the change to Resolution 2005-295 suggesting that the date for the snowmobile Drag Races be changed to January 28 & 29, 2006 from February 4 & 5, 2006.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Cobden Carnival – Community Festival

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2006-309 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region deem the Cobden Carnival scheduled for February 4 & 5, 2006 as a community festival of municipal significance and does not knowingly contravene any municipal by-laws.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Request for Street Light – Foresters Falls

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2006-310 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to install a street light at the foresters falls Rink.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adjournment

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Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Art Cobb

2006-311 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated January 4th, 2006 be adjourned at 2:25 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

REEVE

CAO/CLERK