

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Council Meeting**

Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting Date: Wednesday February 7, 2007

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

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

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**
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9. **Departmental Reports**

Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire Department, Roads, Water & Sewage, By-law Enforcement
10. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Waste Management Committee
 - b. Library Board Meeting
11. **Bylaws**
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12. **Misc Correspondence**
 1. Robert Wright – Mechanic - Letter of Resignation
 2. Richard Leach – Drainage Superintendent – Letter of Resignation
 3. Westmeath Volunteer Firefighters Association – 3rd Annual Fishing Derby
 4. Support of Resolution – Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards – Beaver Population
13. **New/Unfinished Business**
 1. Severance Application - Pt Lots 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, Conc West Front E Westmeath > Bromley > B1215/06
 2. Severance Application - Pt Lots 5, Conc 7 Westmeath > Powers > B02/07
 3. Livestock Claim - Ferguson
14. Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.
15. **Adjournment**

Present: Mayor Don 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

Councillor Ferguson declared pecuniary interest in Item #13. 3)

Councillor Trimm declared pecuniary interest in Item #13.1)

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-596 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the Agenda dated February 7th, 2007 for the Regular Council Meeting as submitted.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Jim Labow

2007-597 “Be it Resolved that the Minutes of the previous Regular Council Meeting dated January 15, 2007 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adoption of Accounts

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Jim Labow

2007-598 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached schedule of Accounts for the period January 1 - January 31, 2007, in the amount of \$560, 038.93 in general purposes and \$228, 884.68 for Water Purposes and that the above accounts be paid.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell

ONTARIO MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP FUND (OMPF)

We have received the 1st payment of the OMPF. The amount is \$336,732.00.

Department Head Signature.....Randi Keith

Department: Fire

January 2007

Monthly Activities:

- Jan 1/07 Deputy Chief Moore attends Westmeath practices x 5
- Jan 3/07 Chief Heubner attended Council meeting
- Jan 3/07 Chief Heubner attended Haley Fire Hall Union Gas Meeting
- Jan 8/07 Chief Heubner/Moore met with Foresters Falls Station on OG's
- Jan 9/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore met with Bill Bowles
- Jan 10/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore met with James Snyder on the repairs to the Foresters Falls Truck 9640
- Jan 11/07 County Chief's Meeting in Eganville
- Jan 14/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore drove mileage from various halls for the master Fire Plan
- Jan 16/07 Chief Heubner attends budget meeting
- Jan 23/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore met with Bill Bowles and go over Master Fire Plan
- Jan 24/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore met and drafted up 2007 proposed Budget
- Jan 25/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore met with OFM Adviser D.Korocial and Bill Bowles and went over Master Fire Plan
- Jan 27/07 Chief's Heubner/Moore Hold Stn. Capts. meeting in Beachburg.
- Jan 31/07 Chief Heubner and CAO Dean Sauriol met with Christie and Whalter.

TOTAL EMERGENCY STATION RESPONSES FOR DECEMBER

Stn. 1 HALEY'S

- Jan 13/07 (MVA) Highway #60 and Haley Road

Stn. 2 COBDEN

- Jan 10/07 (Gas Call) Simpson St. Cobden
- Jan 20/07 (Broken Water Pipes) Summerfield Drive, R. R. # 1 Cobden
- Jan 20/07 (Chimney Fire) Burwell Rd., Admaston/Bromley

Stn. 3 FORESTERS FALLS

Stn. 4 BEACHBURG

- Jan 12/07 (MVA) 2241 Beachburg Rd.
- Jan 16/07 (MVA) Valleyview Rd. and Zion Line

Stn. 5 WESTMEATH

TRUCK/HALL REPORT

HALEY STN. 1 Testing has been completed on all BA's. Furnace repairs were needed on the new furnace. Pumper/Rescue 9625 went for safety.

COBDEN STN. 2

FFALLS STN. 3

BBURG STN. 4 Truck 9634 tank to pump valve leaking

WMEATH STN 5

Recommendations/Motions to be brought forward:

The Master Fire Plan is completed and should be presented to council shortly.

Department Head Signature.....Wayne Heubner

Department: Roads

January 2007

Monthly Activities:

We had 10 weather responses this month, compared to 19 January of 2006. The weather responses were predominantly dealing with ice.

For the first time in two years we have had a chance to do some cleaning and maintenance in our garages.

We also have been cleaning and painting rims tanks battery boxes excreta.

We did a gravel haul on the Behm Line between Patterson and Stoppa Rds early in the month because this section had become impassable. The warm weather early in the month has made a mess of most of our gravel Rds and they are going to be a major problem when the frost starts to come out in the spring

The fleet tracking program has been implemented for, Public Works, Plants and Enforcement so far and the Fire dept. will be entered in the near future. The system will require a lot of person hrs but it will provide vital historical information that up until now has not been available for our fleet.

We have had two water breaks in Cobden in January one on Meadow St. at Creamery St. and one on John St. at Trulove St..

Department Head Signature.....Hal Johnson

Department: Plants

January 2007

Monthly Activities:

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

Construction at the Cobden Water Plant has been progressing with concrete forming and pouring for the substructure of the new building. Currently Re-Bar is being installed for the pouring of the clearwell floor. An incident of vandals cutting the fence and causing minor damage at the site appears to be an isolated event.

Four wheelers entering the Beachburg Water Plant property caused digging and rutting of the lawn and breakage of an eave trough down pipe causing minor flooding of the generator room floor. No Trespassing signs that had been staked around the property disappeared. New signs will be attached to the building.

The soda ash and polymer systems have been removed from the plant by Detra. Any equipment that may have parts that could be used were retained and stored at the plant.

A reply has been made to the MOE Inspection Report. Most issues will be resolved with the completion of upgrades; however the issue of filter effluent turbidity may conflict with planned upgrades.

Problems were encountered with the Haley Water Plant chlorine analyzer. The unit was removed and repaired. Problems with the analyzers are not as significant now that we have a backup unit allowing more time for repairs to be made.

A reply is being drafted to the MOE Plant Inspection Report. Plant upgrades will resolve most issues raised, however information has been requested from Our consultants in order to answer questions regarding Certificate of Approval extension and the time frame for the upgrades.

The storage lean-to at the Cobden Wastewater Plant has been completed and loose materials formerly left in the yard have been stored in it.

Sludge haulage to Ottawa was delayed this month. Initially they would not approve haulage citing high copper levels as the reason, and then later, high nitrate levels. Fortunately haulage was approved before high sludge concentrations in the system produced filamentous bacteria and their associated treatment problems.

The Morton Street lift station pumps plugged seven times this month due to the presence of face cloths or towels in the sewage. Clearing these pumps involves considerable cost especially during off hours. The Administrator at Caressant Care was contacted regarding this issue and offered assurance that their maintenance staff are attempting to correct the problem.

Work done at the Industrial Park Water System since October, 2006 included:

- Dug Well - Installed - (1) new locked steel door on well casing above ground, (2) lid on top of well casing , (3) new outside electrical enclosure (access to bare wires), (4) plastic piping over bared outside electrical wires.
- Drilled Well Building - Installed - (1) floor hatch cover, (2) new sump pump (valve chamber was flooded), (3) new electric heater (component of Fiber Board Plant control valve froze and burst causing flooding and considerable ice build up in the building), (4) well pump level control (lagoon level low)..
- Diesel Fire Pump Building - Installed - (1) new sump pump (valve chamber was flooded), (2) lock-out device on fire pump panel (bare 600 volt supply wires exposed on disconnected fire pump), (3) new electric building heater (diesel fire pump would not start due to low temperature), (4) hearing protection head set.
- Lagoons - Installed - NO TRESPASSING signs on perimeter fencing.

Required:

- Fire Pump Building - electric fire pump repair, access ladder extension, diesel fire pump PTO guard, double pane glass in windows, entrance door painted.
 - Dug Well - well pump replacement, leak repair in pipe line to lagoon.
- Lagoon - tree cutting and removal (growing through lagoon liner and also into perimeter fencing).

Department Head Signature.....David Simmons

Department: By-Law Enforcement

January 2007

Monthly Activities:

-Carried out building, plumbing, septic and By-law inspections and attend meetings for future developments. I attended approximately 11 building inspections, 3 plumbing inspections, 2 septic inspections, 1 By-law inspections 1 meetings for proposed future and existing developments.

-Issued 2 Building Permits at a value of \$45 000.00 in total. One addition/renovation to existing residential and one commercial accessory building.

-Went to Mississauga from January 22 to January 26 for a course put on by MMAH on Building Structural. This is a new type of course but on by the MMAH to prepare you for their Provincial Exams. I will be writing the exam on February 21, 2007 in Ottawa.

-Attended the City of Pembroke's municipal office for our local Chapters Ontario Building Official Association meeting and also met with all the local building inspectors. We had presentation from Techno Metal Post who are specialist in Helical Pile Foundation System.

Also enclosed in my report is the financial break down of the Animal Control costs for 2006 as requested by Councilor Trimm.

RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD:

None

Month	Pick-ups	Cost	Recovered	Boarding	Adopted	Euth/Crem.	Vet Cost	Monthly fee	Total cost
Jan	3	\$154.20	0	\$56.00	1	\$0.00	\$113.32	\$300.00	\$623.52
Feb	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
March	1	\$82.50	0	\$48.00	0	\$71.50		\$300.00	\$502.00
April	1	\$0.00	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
May	4	\$252.40	1	\$77.00	2	\$59.80		\$300.00	\$689.20
June	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
July	2	\$195.90	0	\$49.00	0	\$58.65		\$300.00	\$603.55
August	1	\$0.00	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
Sept	1	\$76.90	0	\$42.00	1	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$418.90
Oct	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
Nov	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
Dec	1	\$0.00	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00		\$300.00	\$300.00
Total	14	\$761.90	4	\$272.00	4	\$189.95	\$113.32	\$3,600.00	\$4,937.17
								GST	\$345.60
									\$5,282.77

Department Head Signature.....Jacques Benoit

Weekly Curbside Pick-up

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2007-599 "Be it Resolved that the Waste Management Committee recommend to Council that the weekly Curbside Pick-up be maintained."

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Curbside Pick-Up Contract

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Izett McBride

2007-600 “Be it Resolved that the Waste Management Committee recommend to Council that negotiations be entered into with the existing Contractor M & L Enterprises for the provisions of Curbside Garbage Pick-up.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Hazardous Waste Programs

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

2007-601 “Be it Resolved that the Waste Management Committee recommend to Council that we opt out of the Household Hazardous Waste Programs of OVWRC and Renfrew and we establish our own single mobile event in the Township for the year 2007.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Recycling Contract

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

2007-602 “Be it Resolved that the Waste Management Committee recommend to Council that the curbside Recycling Contract be tendered publicly with a four year contract.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Library Board Meeting - Report was discussed as submitted by Beulah Wright

Bio Solids - Councillor Cobb reported on a meeting he attended in Eganville regarding BioSolid disposal.

Mechanic Position

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

2007-603 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to accept the resignation of Robert Wright as Mechanic.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Drainage Superintendent

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Jim Labow

2007-604 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to accept the resignation of Richard Leech as Drainage Superintendent.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Westmeath Volunteer Firefighters Association - Fishing Derby - Information given

Support of Resolution - Beaver Population

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-605 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region support the Township of Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards resolution requesting assistance from the provincial and federal governments role in providing the necessary tools to control the beaver population.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - Bromley - Councillor Trimm left Chambers

Severance Application - Bromley

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Jim Labow

2007-606 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B215/06 - Bromley.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - Powers

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Joey Trimm

2007-607 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objections to severance application B02/07 - Powers.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Livestock Claim - Ferguson - Councillor Ferguson left Chambers

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Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2007-608 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region reimburse Glenn Ferguson \$330.00 for one (1) calf killed by coyotes.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adjournment

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Joey Trimm

2007-609 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated February 7th, 2007 be adjourned at 2:35 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

MAYOR

CAO/Clerk