

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Council Meeting**

Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting Date: Wednesday May 9, 2007

Place: Municipal Council Chambers 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. Adoption of the Accounts
8. **Delegation**
 - 1.
9. **Departmental Reports**

Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire Department, Roads, Water & Sewage, By-law Enforcement
10. **Committee Reports**
 - 1.
11. **Bylaws**
 - a) 07 – 05 – 290 Land Acquisition and Disposal – Hume Street
12. **Misc Correspondence**
 1. Cheryl Gallant – OSTAR Shortfall Information
 2. OPP Information and Stats
 3. Gowlings – Settlement Negotiations – Information
 4. MPAC – Province Wide Assessment Changes - Information
13. **New/Unfinished Business**
 1. Tile Drain Loan – Bowman
 2. Vacation Guide Add
 3. Tender for Double Surface Treatment – Award
 4. Pulverization Tender – Award
 5. Severance Application - Pt Lots 11, Concession 8 Ross > Byce > B06/07
 6. Severance Application - Pt Lots 10, Cocession12 Ross > Maloney/Finan > B16/07
 7. Health and Safety Committee Annual Report – Information
 8. Cobden Pentecostal Church – Request for Park – August/07
 9. Severance Application Pt Lots 9 Con A Wmeath - Matthews B243/06(1) and B243/06(1)
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 Councillors: Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Izett McBride, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook, and Joseph Trimm

Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe was absent

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol

Prayer was recited

Clerk conducted Roll Call

Conflict - None reported

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2007-673 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the Agenda dated May 9, 2007 for the Regular Council Meeting as submitted with the addition of 13 a) Severance Application Pt Lot 9 Con A - Westmeath - Matthews - B242/06(1) and B243/06(2).”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2007-674 “Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Regular Council Meeting dated April 18th, 2007 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adoption of Accounts

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2007-675 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached schedule of Accounts for the period April 1 - April 30, 2007, in the amount of \$1, 455, 272.28 in general purposes and \$100, 955.98 for Water Purposes, and that the above accounts be paid.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Delegation - None

Departmental Reports - Reports were reviewed and discussed

Mayor reported on County Council Monthly Activities

Department: Waste April 2007

Monthly Activities:

Received a price of \$5,904.48 (including GST) from Bell to install a hard line for phone, fax and dial-up internet at the Ross Site. The line would be incorporated onto the newly installed Hydro One poles from the intersection at Mineview Rd. and Kohlsmith Rd. up to the Site. I am also waiting on NRTCO to come to the Ross Site and see if a high-speed wireless signal can be obtained as an option.
Completed 2006 Waste Diversion Ontario Datacall early in the month. This reporting is carried out for the purpose of Blue Box Funding.
The positioning of the Administrative Building for the Ross Site has been altered due to required distances from the road allowance as well as future landfilling operations (waste placement).
Placed an order for another 50,000 yellow bags for the Municipality.
The Department purchased a Multimeter (Temp., pH, Dissolved Oxygen and Conductivity) and a well depth sensor tape for the purpose of Well/Borehole sampling of the three sites. The Consultant will no longer be carrying out sampling services.
We have acquired the services of a local company to routinely removed stockpiled cardboard from the Ross Site. The arrangement seems to be working quite well.
We had a Contractor in carrying out road work at the Ross Site late in the month. Primarily Brush Pile access as well as tipping area upgrades.
McKinnon’s Well Drilling put in the well for the Ross Site during the last week of the month.
Completing Final Reporting Templates for COMRIF. Our final claim I submitted quite some time ago will be withheld until these are submitted.
Depending on weather, we will begin excavating trench at Ross Site and trucking material to the Cobden Site for slope stabilization next month. Due to budget restraints, we will only carry out a small dig this Spring. We must stay substantially ahead of the waste working face with respect to trench excavating.

Department Head Signature.....Steven Hodson

Department: Treasurer April 2007

Monthly Activities:

TAXES

The second installment of the 2007 Interim Taxes is due on April 30th, 2007. Payments are being received at a steady pace.

BUDGET

The Department Heads have met with the Finance Committee. A Budget meeting will be scheduled with Council on May 25th to hopefully finalize the budget. Several options will be presented. The Policing figure has been reconciled. We have received a credit of \$104,064.00. The 2007 budget figure is \$520,178.00. The 2006 policing figure will be \$490,232.00.

ONTARIO MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP FUND (OMPF)

Our OMPF funding is \$1,346.929. This is \$17,149 more than 2006. We have received the second installment of \$336,732.00

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Large payments have been received on outstanding accounts over 120 days. The receivable has been reduced from 47.7% to 36.6% or 13.5% if we deduct the money still owing from the Agricultural Society and the Curling Club.

WATER ARREARS

Water arrears are slowly being reduced. Threats of water being turned off generally generate payment arrangements and several ratepayers have either left postdated cheques, paid the accounts off or signed up for the Pre-authorized payment plan.

RECOMMENDATIONS: None at this time.

Department Head Signature.....Randi Keith

Department: Fire April 2007

Monthly Activities:

TOTAL EMERGENCY (STATION) RESPONSES FOR APRIL : 0

- Apr 1 / 07 Chief Heubner, Moore return from conference.
- Apr 2 / 07 Chief Moore attends Westmeath practice x 5.
- Apr 4 / 07 Chief Heubner attended council meeting.
- Apr 4 / 07 Chief Heubner attends Cobden practice.
- Apr 4 / 07 Chief Heubner , Moore attend water shuttle meeting Foresters Falls.
- Apr 9 / 07 Chief Heubner, Moore met and went over mail.
- Apr 12 / 07 Chief Heubner, Moore met with Dean and Annette.
- Apr 16 / 07 Chief Heubner, Moore met with Stn. Captains.
- Apr 18 / 07 Chief Heubner attends county water rescue meeting debriefing.

Apr. 18 / 07 Chief Heubner attends Cobden practice.
 Apr 19 / 07 Chief Moore attends burn complaint in Haley's.
 Apr 20 / 07 Chief Heubner , Moore attended burn complaint in Foresters Falls.
 Apr 22 / 07 Chief Moore attends Fire easement on Sunset Trail.
 Apr 29 / 07 Chief Heubner, Moore go over paper work and Master Fire Plan.

Stn. # 1 Haley's
 Apr 20 / 07 Brush Fire Godfrey Rd. and Highway # 17
 Apr 21 / 07 Garage Fire 9 Chaffey,s Trail.
 Apr 30 / 07 MVA Grantsettlement Rd.

Stn. # 2 Cobden
 Apr 18 / 07 Scotiabank Fire 53 Main St
 Apr 21 / 07 Garage Fire 9 Chaffey,s Trail.

Stn. # 3 Foresters Falls
 Apr 21 / 07 Garage Fire 9 Chaffey,s Trail.
 Apr 30 / 07 MVA Grantsettlement Rd.

Stn. # 4 Beachburg
 Apr 4 / 07 Shed Fire Watchorn & Anderson Dr.
 Apr 21 / 07 Garage Fire 9 Chaffey,s Trail.
 Apr 23 / 07 Chimney Fire 1835 Beachburg Rd.

Stn. # 5 Westmeath
 Apr 21 / 07 Garage Fire 9 Chaffey,s Trail.

Truck / Hall Report

Haley Stn. 1 Continue auto ext. training.
 Cobden Stn. 2
 Forester Falls Stn. 3
 Beachburg Stn. 4 Pump valves are having problems, some may have to be Replaced.
 Westmeath Stn. 5

Recommendations

I will wait until Master Fire plan is presented to Council before further recommendations are brought forward.

Department Head Signature.....Wayne Heubner

Department: Public Works

April 2007

Monthly Activities:

This month we had 7 weather responses; these responses were because of soft spots in the roads caused by moisture and silt following the frost to the top of the road. This condition has caused many areas of our roads to break up this spring and in many cases these areas of road will require complete rebuild. The worst hit are Fletcher Rd, McGonegal Rd., Sutherland Rd., Dittburner Rd., Pleasant Valley, Waterview south of 17hwy., Desjardin Rd., Broome Rd.

We have had the graders working every day that the weather has allowed.

Cold patching this spring has been extensive we have had three crews filling holes almost all month. Many days we have borrowed the one ton from Waste Management, to help speed things along.

We have let the construction tenders; Gravel crushing, Surface treatment, Pulverizing, PavingHL4. Staff has presented recommendations to Council on some of the results. Construction is scheduled to start as soon as weight restrictions have been removed from the roads.

We have taken out many beaver dams including the one in the causeway culvert on Lacoix Bay Rd. The trappers are working at deterring the rebuilding of the dams.

Department Head Signature.....Hal Johnson

Water and Sewer Report was not submitted.

Department: By-Law Enforcement

April 2007

Monthly Activities:

-Carried out building, plumbing, septic and By-law inspections and attend meetings for future developments. I attended approximately 20 building inspections, 5 plumbing inspections, 3 septic inspections, 3 By-law inspections and 4 meetings for proposed future and existing developments.

-Issued 6 Building Permits at a value of \$4,492,000.00 in total. 5 Single Family Dwelling, 7 addition/renovation to existing residential, Dwelling, one addition to existing accessory building, 4 new accessory buildings, one new barn, one new industrial building and one addition/renovation to industrial building.

RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD:

None

Department Head Signature.....Jacques Benoit

Land Acquisition and Disposal - Hume Street

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2007-676 "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to acquire and dispose of land on Hume Street and the said by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 07-05-291 be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 9th day of May, 2007."

Carried
 Donald Rathwell

OSTAR Shortfall Information - Information

OPP Information and Stats - Information

Gowlings - Settlement Negotiations - Information

MPAC - Province Wide Assessment Changes - Information

Tile Drain Loan - Bowman

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Izett McBride

2007-677 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve a Tile Drain Loan for Kenneth Bowman in the amount of \$7500.00.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Vacation Guide Ad

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jim Labow

2007-678 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to place a half page ad in the Eganville Leader Vacation Guide at a cost of \$340.00.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Tender for Double Surface Treatment - Award

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-679 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to award the Tender for 9KM of double surface treatment to the low bidder Greenwood Paving a cost of \$214, 920.00 excluding taxes.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Pulverization Tender - Award

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-680 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to award the tender for the pulverizing of 3.9 KM of roads to the low bidder The Miller Group at a cost of \$0.51 per square meter excluding taxes.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - Byce

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Izett McBride

2007-681 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objection to severance B06/07 Byce on condition that a minor variance be obtained.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - Maloney/Finan

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Izett McBride

2007-682 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objection to severance B16/07(1) Maloney/Finan.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Health and Safety Committee Annual Report

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Izett McBride

2007-683 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region acknowledge receipt and review of Township’s 2006 Joint Health and Safety Committee Annual Report.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell

Cobden Pentecostal Church - Request for Park

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-684 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to allow the Cobden Pentecostal Church to utilize the Cobden Memorial Park on Sunday evenings during August 2007.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Severance Application - Matthews

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-685 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no objection to severance B242/06(1) and B243/06(2) Matthews on condition that issues identified in the planner’s report are addressed.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

Adjournment

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2007-686 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated May 9th, 2007 be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Mayor

MAYOR

CAO/Clerk