

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Committee Meeting**

Meeting Title: Finance and Administration Date: Wed July 4, 2007

Place: Cobden Council Chambers Start Time: 3:00 p.m.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of the Minutes of the last Meeting
3. Council Honorarium
4. Adjournment

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

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol

Chair was assumed by co-chair Joey Trimm

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Finance and Administration Meeting dated June 20, 2007 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Joey Trimm

Council Honorarium

Councillor Art Cobb reviewed his submission

Councillor Jim Labow reviewed his submission

Co-chairman Joey Trimm reviewed his submission

Chair made several comments. Bruce Beakley was thanked for his work, and discussed the process we should take.

COPY	CONSENSUS OF COUNCIL
<p>1) THAT the Province through the Municipal Act Section 283 (1) permits a 1/3 Tax Free Allowance for elected official compensation. Provided the Municipal elected positions remain "part-time" in Whitewater Township, the 1/3 Tax Free Allowance should bE applied to councillor remuneration.</p>	<p>Consensus OK</p>
<p>2) THAT Whitewater Council abolish the meeting per diems for the position of Mayor; AND THAT the annual salary for the position of mayor be established at \$21,000 annually, paid out in monthly installments effective January 1, 2007.</p>	<p>Consensus \$15, 500</p>
<p>3) THAT Whitewater Council abolish the meeting per diems for the position of Deputy Mayor; AND THAT the annual salary for the position of Deputy Mayor be established at \$13,125 annually, paid out in monthly installments effective January 1, 2007.</p>	<p>Consensus \$11,200</p>
<p>4) THAT Whitewater Council abolish the meeting per diems for the position of councillor; AND THAT the annual salary for the position of councillor be established at \$10,500 annually, paid out in monthly installments effective January 1, 2007.</p>	<p>Consensus \$9,600</p>
<p>5) THAT no additional per diem be paid for Whitewater Township Committee Chair or Vice Chair of a Standing Committee of Council.</p>	<p>Consensus- Chair of Committee per annum of \$1,200 (paid monthly) for committees with a physical department (i.e. administration, water/sewer, fire, waste management, public works).</p>

<p>6) THAT Whitewater Council ensure proper maintenance of the Councillor remuneration model by passing a resolution that may provide an annual increase to the base compensation using either a 12 month annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase or the annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) provided to non union staff; AND THAT any CPI or COLA adjustment be effective January 1, of each year passed</p>	<p>Consensus -use CPI Calculation</p>
<p>7) THAT each elected official be allocated \$1,500 per year in expenses related to conferences and conventions; AND THAT \$3,000 per year be allocated to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Expenses are inclusive of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Expenses actually incurred for accomodations and parking + All registration fees + All mileage consistent with approved mileage per diem 	<p>Consensus \$2,500 (elected officials) and \$3,000 mayor</p>
<p>8) THAT when on municipal business authorized by Council outside the Township of Whitewater, members of Council shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred for accomodation and parking (receipts required)</p>	<p>Consensus OK</p>
<p>9) THAT Whitewater Township adopt the existing federal mileage rates of 50 cents per kilometre for the first 5, 000 km and 45 cents for kilometre for all additional kilometres per calender year; AND THAT Whitewater Township adjust mileage allowance to coincide with any changes that may occur by the Treasury Board Secretariat. (www.tbs-sct.gc.ca)</p>	<p>\$0.45 consensus</p>
<p>10) THAT Whitewater Council establish a meal allowance of \$45.00 per day for meetings held within the County of Renfrew and \$65.00 per day for meetings external to the County of Renfrew. Receipts are required in both circumstances and it is understood that no meal allowance is paid for regular meetings of council.</p>	<p>Consensus-no receipts \$45--> \$8-breakfast, \$12-Lunch, \$25-supper \$65 --> \$12-breakfast, \$18-lunch, \$35-supper</p>
<p>11) THAT, as section 282 of the Municipal Act allows for the provision of Health and Dental benefits be provided to elected officials; AND THAT Whitewater Council implement a Health and Dental plan for it's elected officials similar to a plan provided to non union staff. The plan participation should be voluntary. It is recommended to be implemented January 1, 2008 and would be in effect for each elected official for the duration of their term in office.</p>	<p>Consensus no action</p>
<p>12) THAT Whitewater Township not have elected members participate in Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement (OMERS) until such time that any of the elected positions are deemed full-time.</p>	<p>Consensus OK</p>
<p>13) THAT in 2009 the Council will meet to discuss Council structure with consideration to reduction in the number of elected officials who currently represent Whitewater Township as a cost constraint initiative.</p>	<p>Consensus - to be discussed in 2009 at the Mayor's discretion</p>
<p>14) Consensus that all items be implemented, except for # 9, as of January 1, 2008</p>	
<p>15) Consensus that all meetings be included in annual per diem</p>	

Adjournment

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Finance and Administration Meeting dated July 4, 2007 be adjourned at 5:25 p.m.”