

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION  
Council Meeting**

**Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting Date: Wednesday October 7, 2009**

**Place: Westmeath Recreation Centre 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**
  1. Bev Clark – Aecom Canada Ltd – Source Water Protection Study Presentation
9. **Departmental Reports**

Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire Department, Roads, Water & Sewage, By-law Enforcement
10. **Committee Reports**
  1. Waste Management Committee
11. **Bylaws**
  1. 09-09-400 Zoning Amendment Pt Lot 16, Conc West Front E, Westmeath – Matthews
  2. 09-10-401 Development Agreement Pt Lot 13 Conc 11 Ross – White Water & Wild Lands Tours Ltd
12. **Misc Correspondence**
  1. Cobden Tourist Booth 2009 Statistics
  2. Invitation – Bonnechere Valley Geotube Technology Transfer Station – October 27, 2009
  3. Royal Canadian Legion – Poppy and Remembrance time
13. **New/Unfinished Business**
  1. Livestock Claim – Tripp
  2. Severance Application – Pt Lot 27, Conc B EML - Westmeath B161/09 Thrasher
  3. Severance Application – Pt Lot 7, Conc 5 - Beachburg B155/09 Vereyken Homes Ltd
14. **Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.**
15. **Adjournment**

Present:, Councilors:, Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe, Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Izett McBride, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook and Joey Trimm

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol

Prayer was recited

Clerk conducted Roll Call

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – None reported

**Appointment**

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Jim Labow

**2009-1313 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region appoint Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe as presiding Mayor in the absence of Mayor Rathwell.”**

Carried  
Ron Lowe

**Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by, Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

**2009-1314 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the agenda dated October 7, 2009 for the Regular Council meeting as submitted.”**

**Adoption of the Minutes**

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2009-1315 “Be it Resolved that the minutes from the previous Regular Council meeting dated September 23, 2009 be adopted as circulated.”**

Carried  
Ron Lowe

**Adoption of Accounts**

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Ron Lowe

**2009-1316 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the**

attached schedule of Accounts for the period September 1 – September 30, 2009, in the amount of \$1,702,753.82 in general purposes and \$22,629.17 for Water Purposes and that the above accounts be paid.”

Carried  
Ron Lowe

**Delegation:** Bev Clark – Aecom Canada Ltd – Source Water Protection Study Presentation

Brian Whitehead, JP2G and Bev Clark Aecom Canada Ltd.

-Brian introduced the topics and described the historical aspects to this point on the provided report. He introduced the source water protection committee as well as the municipal steering committee.

-Bev Clark presented his report and findings in a comprehensive presentation. Stated that the Phosphorus levels use high and is very concerning and above the Ministry guidelines.

-Council asked several questions of clarifications;

Can we oxygenate the lake?

Do zebra muscles help or hinder

How to deal with neighbouring municipalities

Suggestion that we look at Stewardship solutions

Discussion in possible Funding Criteria

Brian commended that our pilot project is one of 3 currently going on in Ontario in a non conservation Authority. Some discussion on what steps are next occurred.

### **Muskrat Lake water improvement**

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2009-1317 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region authorizes the Muskrat Lake steering committee to explore various models for implementing environmental and stewardship initiatives within the Muskrat Lake watershed that will result in the improvement of water quality in the watershed and Muskrat Lake.”**

Carried  
Ron Lowe

Mayor Rathwell assumed the chair at 1:50pm.

### **Department Reports**

#### **Township of Whitewater Region Waste Management Department**

#### **Monthly Departmental Report September, 2009**

Registered the Municipality under the Ontario Tire Stewardship Program as a collector. During the month of September we have collected in the range of 800 tires.

Council and Department met with adjacent landowner of the Cobden landfill to discuss proposed Contaminate Attenuation Zone.

Landfilled the second salt dome from MTO in Haley Station.

Demolition material from Timminco is now arriving.

Removed greenhouse gases (Freon) from 136 refrigerated units. Metal to be recycled.

Held the second mobile Hazardous Waste event for residents on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September. Residents disposed of several thousand litres of hazardous material. Another successful event.

New gravel pad for tire stockpile is completed.

Spreading of earth material over the Westmeath Landfill waste mound is well underway. This will be the final cover application for this site.

Excavator down for approximately two weeks. Torn hydraulic hoses and some broken hydraulic adapters. Up and running again. Rented dozer during the downtime.

Busy month for commercial loads but on average, waste volumes seem to be down.

Fall groundwater monitoring to begin next month.

Steven Hodson, Landfill Operations Manager

#### WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Treasury

MONTHLY ACTIVITY: September 2009

#### **TAXES**

The second installment of the 2009 Final taxes was due on September 30, 2008.

#### **WATER ARREARS**

Attached is a Water Report as of September 30, 2009. Although the total outstanding water amount is more compared to September 2008, there is a reduction in the amount of water over one year in arrears.

#### **COUNTY AND SCHOOL BOARD LEVIES**

The County and School Board levies were paid on September 30, 2009. A total of \$1,041,677.17 was paid, \$555,814.00 to the County and \$485,863.17 was paid to the School Boards.

#### **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE REPORT**

Attached is an Accounts Receivable Report as of September 30, 2009. The total outstanding amount is currently \$34,576.17, a reduction of \$8,152.24 since June 30, 2009.

Annette Mantifel

Treasurer/Deputy CAO

#### **WHITEWATER REGION FIRE DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

TOTAL EMERGENCY ( STATION) RESPONSES FOR Sept 30 068-10

Fire Chief Wayne Heubner Sept 30, 2009

Sept 1 / 09 Chief Moore attends Westmeath Stn. practices x 5 Sept 2 / 09 Chief

Heubner attends council.

Sept 2 / 09 Chief Heubner attends Cobden Stn. practice.

Sept 3 / 09 Chief Heubner, Moore attend Mutual Aid. Sept 8 / 09 Chief

Heubner, Capt. T. Moore inspect Logos Land.

Sept 16 / 09 Chief Heubner attends Cobden Stn. practice

Sept 17 / 09	Chief	Heubner, Moore attend Health and Safety meeting.
Sept 20 / 09	Chief	Heubner, Moore work fire records.
Stn. # 1	Haley's	
		Sept 6 / 09 MVC Highway # 60 A-B.
		Sept 13 / 09 MVC Haley Rd. and Highway # 60 A-B.
		Sept 19 / 09 MVC Westmeath and Beachburg Rd.
Stn. # 2	Cobden	
		Sept 2 / 09 Smoke / Tractor Trailer Country Kitchen.
		Sept 8 / 09 Mattress fire 2 Nancy Trail Logos Land.
		Sept 20 / 09 Person trapped in Elevator 63 Main St.
		Sept 26 / 09 Grass fire Highway 17 - Kohlsmith Rd.
		Sept 26 / 09 Motor Home fire Hw 17 - Waterview Rd.
Stn. # 3	Foresters Falls	
		Sept No fire calls
Stn. # 4	Beachburg	
		Sept 18 / 09 Greyhound Bus fire 1378 Greenwood Rd.
		Sept 19 / 09 MVC 234 Westmeath Rd.
		Sept 19 / 09 Baler fire 1419 Lookout Rd.
Stn. # 5	Westmeath	
		Sept 18 / 09 Greyhound Bus fire 1378 Greenwood Rd.
		Sept 19 / 09 MVC 234 Westmeath Rd.
		Sept 19 / 09 Baler fire 1419 Lookout Rd.

Truck / Hall Report

Haley	Stn. 1	Bi-weekly training continues.
Cobden	Stn. 2	Bi-weekly training continues. Extrication training ongoing.
Forester Falls	Stn. 3	Bi-weekly training session.
Beachburg	Stn. 4	Weekly training sessions continues.
Westmeath	Stn. 5	Weekly training continues.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Small, medium and large face masks have been purchased. Other items that need to be purchased will be bought in the fall, as budget allows.

**T.W.P. Whitewater Region Departmental Report**

**Department of PUBLIC WORKS September 2009 Monthly Activities:**

This month we have completed ditching along Wrights Rd, Bromley Line and Dupuis Line. Cold patching and grading is ongoing whenever possible between construction jobs. Gravel has been put on Nicolica Rd, this completes the upgrades required to accommodate the tractor trailer milk trucks as the heavy spring loads broke up the existing road. Paving has been completed by H&H Construction on Synton Street in Westmeath and Bonnechere St in Cobden. Greenwood Paving has completed the surface treatment for this year. A culvert was replaced on Pleasant Valley @ Powers Rd. Yakabuski Rd repairs have been completed with the replacement of the 4ft culvert. Winter sand is in the process of being put in the domes at Westmeath and Mineview garages. Hal Johnson CRS-I  
Public Works Supervisor

**WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

**Department: Plants Date: September, 2009**

Monthly Activities:

Normal operation and maintenance activities for the month of September included the following:  
Colored water ceased to be a problem at the Cobden Water System for the month of September with discolored and fouled online analyzers at the plant clearing up as well.  
An ongoing problem with a sludge removal pump going into failure and shutting down the plant is under investigation. Plant staff along with Detra Construction, Dakins Engineering, and Rondeau Electric have been involved in trying to find the source of the problem with no solution to date.  
The hypochlorite metering pump degassing devices that were built and installed at the plant have been working flawlessly since their installation.  
A major encrustation of Zebra Mussels was discovered to be covering the floats on a dock that was removed for the winter at 11 Simmons Drive on Muskrat Lake. None were detected at the same time last year and it would appear that the lake will be overrun with them in future years. Hopefully none have found the raw water intake yet.  
A report on the MOE inspection of the Beachburg Water Plant has been received with "Actions Required" and "Best Practice Recommendations" attached. As well several recommendations were included in the body of the report. Most of the recommendations are of a minor nature however plant security measures including fencing of the property are being recommended.  
Hypochlorite metering pump degassing devices are being constructed and installed at the plant. These are similar to ones installed at the Cobden plant where their effectiveness has been proven.  
Chemical containment installation at the Cobden Wastewater Plant has been completed. The hypochlorite metering pumps along with electrical and instrument wiring had to be relocated from the original room to the back of the shop area in order to accommodate the large containment tanks. The work was completed by plant staff.  
A problem occurred at the Haley Water Plant when a low chlorine residual detected by the online chlorine analyzer locked out the well pumps. The MOE and Department of Health were notified of the resulting low pressure situation as required under Reg. 170, Schedule 16.4. Resetting of the lockout required running of the well pumps to restore the chlorine residual but this could not be accomplished since the pumps were locked out. Two hours were spent on the telephone with Stroma Engineering discovering a method of resetting the locked out pumps. The situation was finally resolved and written notification of the verbal "Adverse Water Report" along with written notice of the "Issue Resolution" was e-mailed to the two parties. The "Issue Resolution" was agreed to by the Health Department since the system pressure had not been completely lost. This situation can repeat itself any time that a low or high chlorine residual is detected by the analyzer. We have since installed a switch in the chlorine alarm circuit which will enable running of the well pumps to restore chlorine residual when this situation occurs.

Recommendations: A Consultant be immediately contacted to install a system that will include both Zebra Mussel

and Manganese control. Neither should be required to be in operation until next spring however MOE approvals and design and installation takes a considerable length of time.

Plant Manager: *David Simmons*

## WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

**DEPARTMENT: Building and By-law Enforcement**      **DATE: October 02, 2009**

### MONTHLY ACTIVITIES:

-Carried out numerous building, plumbing, septic and By-law inspections and attend meetings for future developments.

-Issued 30 Building Permits at a value of \$1,406,000.00 in total. 2 Single Family Dwellings, 9 addition/renovation to existing residential, 8 residential accessory buildings, 4 agricultural accessory buildings, one barn addition, one Commercial accessory building, 3 Commercial addition permit, and 2 partial residential demolition permits.

### RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD:

None

### Committee Reports – Waste Management – No motion

#### 09-09-400 Zoning Amendment Pt Lot 16, Conc West Front E, Westmeath – Matthews

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2009-1318 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to amend the Westmeath Zoning Bylaw Pt Lot 16, Conc West Front E – Matthews and the said bylaw be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 09-09-400 be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

#### 09-10-401 Development Agreement Pt Lot 13 Conc 11 Ross – White Water & Wild Lands Tours Ltd

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Jacob Rook

**200-1319 “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 a development agreement as well as execute all transfer deeds and the said bylaw be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law be numbered 09-10-401 be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.”**

Carried  
Donald

Rathwell

### Cobden Tourist Booth 2009 Statistics – Information – Councilor Cobb commented on the statistics.

### Invitation – Bonnechere Valley Geotube Technology Transfer Station – October 27, 2009

Information

### Royal Canadian Legion – Poppy and Remembrance time

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Art Cobb

**2009-1320 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agrees with the Royal Canadian Legion of Cobden with declaring the October 31<sup>st</sup> to November 11<sup>th</sup> period as Poppy and Remembrance time in Whitewater Region.”**

Carried  
Donald

Rathwell

### Livestock Claim – Tripp

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded Jacob Rook

**2009-1321 “Be it resolved that the council of the Township of Whitewater Region reimburse Brenda Tripp \$200.00 for one Dorset sheep killed by wolves on September 22, 2009.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

### Severance Application – Pt Lot 27, Conc B EML - Westmeath B161/09 Thrasher

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Jacob Rook

**2009-1322 “Be it resolved that the Township of Whitewater region has no objection to severance application B161/09 – Thrasher.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

### Severance Application – Pt Lot 7, Conc 5 - Beachburg B155/09 Vereyken Homes Ltd

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jim Labow

**2009-1323 “Be it resolved that the Township of Whitewater region has no objection to severance application B155/09 on condition that a residential one (R1) zone be applied.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

Suspended meeting at 2:26pm.

Reconvened at 3:30pm.

### Closed meeting

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Izett McBride

**2009-1324 “Be it resolved that the council of the Township of Whitewater region regular Council Convene into committee of the whole to discuss property issues.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

### Adjournment of Closed meeting

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Jim Labow

**2009-1325 “Be it resolved that the council of the Township of Whitewater Region regular council committee of the whole meeting dated October 7, 2009 hereby by adjourned.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

**Adjournment**

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Izett McBride

**2009-1326 “Be it resolved that the council of the Township of Whitewater Region regular council meeting dated October 7, 2009 hereby by adjourned at 4:00pm.”**

Carried  
Donald Rathwell

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Mayor Donald Rathwell

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Dean Sauriol, CAO/Clerk