

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION

Date: Wednesday November 3, 2004

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

- A. Public Meeting
 - i) Zoning Amendment – 2270 Zion Line, Lot 14, Con 3 - Westmeath - Barnett
- 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
 - Benjamin Strehlir & Robert VanEyck – Windfield Energy on Windpower
- 9. Committee Report
 - 1. Property Committee
 - 2. Fire Committee
- 10. Departmental Reports
 - Monthly reports from Waste Management, Treasurer, Fire Department, Roads, Water & Sewage, Bylaw Enforcement
- 11. Bylaws
 - 1. 04-11-173 Zoning Amendment -Lot 14, Con 3 – Westmeath - Barnett
 - 2. 04-11-174 Tax Arrears Extension Agreement
- 12. Misc Correspondence
 - 1. Letter of Thanks – Ross Historical Society
 - 2. Letter of Concern – Twp of Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards
 - 3. Letter of Concern – Denis J. Chard – Finnerty Road & Muskrat Lake
 - 4. Letter of thanks – Murray Moore
 - 5. OGRA Conference
 - 6. Ross Mineview School Support – C. Campbell
- 13. New/Unfinished Business
 - 1. Severance Application - Pt lot 10 Con 3 Ross > Martin/Blok B143/04(A) & B144/04(B)
 - 2. Livestock Claim
- 14. Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations and the security of the property of the municipality.
- 15. Adjournment

PUBLIC MEETING

Convene into Public Meeting

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2004- 277 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into a Public Meeting in connection with Zoning Amendments.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Zoning Amendment – 2270 Zion Line, Lot 14, Con 3 - Westmeath - Barnett

Mr. & Mrs. Barnett were present, there were no objections

Adjourn Public Meeting

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jim Labow

2004- 278 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Public Meeting dated November 3, 2004 be hereby adjourned at 7:10 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

COUNCIL MEETING

Present:- Reeve Donald Rathwell, Councillors - Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Daryl McLaughlin, Jacob Rook, Joey Trimm and Beulah Wright.

Absent:- Deputy Reeve Ron Lowe

Staff Present :- Randi Keith

Prayer was recited

Clerk conducted Roll Call

Conflict - None reported

Adopt Agenda

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2004-279 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the agenda dated November 3rd, 2004 for the Regular Council Meeting with the following additions: OGRA Conference, letter from Catherine Campbell re Ross Mineview School.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by Jacob Rook

2004-280 “Be it Resolved that the minutes of the previous Regular Council Meeting dated October 20th, 2004 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adoption of Accounts

Moved by Jack Ferguson, Seconded by Jim Labow

2004-281 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached schedule of Accounts for the period October 1 - October 31, 2004, in the amount of \$486,024.13 in general purposes and \$9,368.17 for Water Purposes and that the above accounts be paid.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Delegation

Benjamin Strehli & Robert M. VanEyk – Windfield Energy

Benjamin Strehli and Robert M. VanEyk were present at the meeting to make a presentation on a wind park project they are researching to establish in this area. They are proposing to construct 10 wind turbines that will produce 50,000 Mwh/year. A more complete information session will be scheduled at a later date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Property Committee – Nothing

Fire Committee

Incident Command Accountability System

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by A. Cobb

2004-282 “Be it resolved that the fire committee recommend to Council of the Township of Whitewater Region that the fire department purchase the incident management system from Krueger Signs.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Letter of Request – Robertson

Moved by Joey Trimm, Seconded by A. Cobb

2004-283 “That we agree with the recommendation of the Fire Services Manager that fire fighter Cheri Robertson be granted a temporary leave of absence due to pregnancy.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Personnel Hires

Moved by A. Cobb, Seconded by Jim Labow

2004-284 “Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Fire Committee recommend to Council that the following firefighters be hired:

- Duane Horst – Foresters Falls**
- John Felix Cull – Cobden**
- Sean Smith – Cobden”**
- Michael Cribari – Westmeath**
- Tommy Walker – Westmeath**

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

DEPARTMENT: Building and By-law Enforcement DATE: October 29, 2004

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES:

-Continuing on my building inspections for all types of permits issued.
 -Issued 7 Building Permits at a value of \$365 500.00 in total. 1 new single family dwelling (seasonal) and 6 addition or renovation to existing residential.
 -Have been attending in Pembroke on October 5, 12, 19, and 26 for a course put on by OBOA and MMAH about General Legal/Process for Chief Building Officials. This course is mandatory as noted in Bill 124 and the New Building Code Act. I will be writing my exam on the Friday November 5 in North Bay. These exams from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and require to be written at a Site monitored by the Ministry.
 Have been following up on residents refusing to purchase dog tags after receiving notice from the contractor selling the tags and also a notice from the Township office. They are now in contravention of our Animal Control By-law, so charges could be laid.

RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD:

None

Department Head Signature Jacques Benoit

Fire Department

31st October, 2004

Chief/Deputy Chief’s Monthly Activities

- Oct 1/04 Chief’s Heubner/Moore met in Cobden re: Budget
- Oct 1/04 Chief Moore attended Westmeath practice.
- Oct 6/04 Chief Heubner attended Cobden Practice
- Oct 7/04 Chief’s Heubner/Moore met with Bill Bowles in Beachburg on fire survey critique
- Oct 11/04 Chief Moore attends Westmeath practice
- Oct 13/04 Chief’s Heubner/Moore along with Chairman Jim Labow and Jacob Rook attend Health/Safety meeting in Foresters Falls Stn.
- Oct 20/04 Chief’s Heubner/Moore attend Fire Comm. Meeting
- Oct 24/04 Chief’s Heubner, Moore work on Staffing
- Oct 26/04 Chief’s Heubner, Moore meet with Caressant Care
- Oct 28/04 Chief’s Heubner, Moore put on Mutual Aid in Beachburg Hall

Total Emergency (Station) Responses for October - 8

Stn. # 1 Haley’s

Oct 24 (M.V.A. Extrication) Highway 17 East of Country Kitchen

Stn. # 2 Cobden

- Oct 9 (Garbage Fire) Highway 17 and Mountain Rd.
- Oct 24 (M.V.A. accident) Highway 17 East of Country Kitchen

Stn. # 3 Foresters Falls

- Oct 2 (Silo Burn off False Alarm) 520 Government Rd
- Oct 4 (Truck Fire) 3120 Queensline

Stn. #4 Beachburg

- Oct 9 (M.V.A.) Main St. Beachburg
- Oct 10 (Combine Fire) 1002 Valleyview Rd.
- Oct 13 (Tree’s on wires) 1090 Greenwood Rd.
- Oct 28 (Car Fire) Beachburg Rd. at Chaffey’s Corner

Stn. #5 Westmeath

- Oct 13 (Tree’s on wires) 1090 Greenwood Rd.
- Oct 28 (Car Fire) Beachburg Rd. at Chaffey’s Corner

Truck/Hall Report

- Haley’s Stn. 1** All Haley’s Trucks safetied, repairs done to 9816. Put new lightweight Suction hose on 9626.
- Cobden Stn. 2** Minor Electrical repairs done to 9721
- Foresters Falls Stn.3** Closed in 4 windows at rear of fire hall. Held and open house at station for fire prevention week. Brakes checked on 9640 and coolant leak fixed on 9640.
- Beachburg Stn. 4** Replaced batteries on 9634, did minor repairs to both trucks.
- Westmeath Stn. 5** Truck 9639 too heavy when responding to calls will remove some hose to help weight.

Recommendations/Motions to be brought forward

As in the previous month’s Council Pack I again recommend that Whitewater Region look into purchasing a second pumper for Whitewater Region Fire Dept. This would cut down on the high cost of keeping the aging fleet on the road. This vehicle could be purchased near the end of 2004 to help with Budget. 3 more bunker suits have to be purchased for Whitewater Region.

Department Head Signature Wayne Heubner

Department : Plants

Date : October 2004

Monthly Activities:

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

Problems developed with the Pre Chlorine metering pump vapor locking at the Cobden WTP. Solutions to the problem have failed thus far however diluting the sodium hypochlorite solution using softened water will be tried.

Problems with the alum and polymer metering pumps were also encountered. The alum solution pipeline was able to be cleaned however the polymer solution pipeline had to be replaced.

Following recommendations by MacViro Engineering, a plant trial at the Beachburg WTP adding a dosage of aluminum sulfate has been initiated. A tank, metering pump, feed line, and injector has been installed and alum is being added to the system at a dosage of 2.0 mg/l. The system is being monitored for aluminum residual, supernatant return suspended solids, filter influent turbidity, treated water turbidity, and settling tank sludge accumulation. So far test results for all parameters are as was hoped for. This information is being relayed to MacViro.

A water softener was installed in the plant for use in mixing chemicals. This softened water will eliminate the scaling of metering pumps and feed lines previously encountered. Softened water will be transported to the Cobden WTP in an effort to solve the problem there with the pre chlorine metering pump.

An Inspection Report based on the May 14 & 18, 2004 MOE inspection at the Haley WTP has been received. Eight regulatory actions required were identified in the report along with eleven recommended actions. Action plans are required to be submitted to the MOE by December 10, 2004. A meeting with the MOE inspectors was attended on October 25, 2004 at which some of the recommendations were discussed along with other issues. A reply to the inspector is being drafted.

Fabrication of two flushing stations is almost completed. They will be installed at the ends of Sullivan St. and Heather Place. Cost of fabrication of the flushing stations is about \$ 250.00 each as opposed to \$2000.00 each for manufactured ones.

A reply has yet to be received indicating acceptance of our application to haul sludge from the Cobden WWTP to Ottawa. An effort is being made to spread as much sludge as possible before frozen ground conditions prevent it.

The two auto samplers in use at the plant are causing problems and will probably need to be replaced next year.

Plant Manager David Simmons

Department of Public Works

October 2004

Monthly Activities: THIS HAS BEEN A BUSY MONTH

We have finished hauling winter sand and filling the sand domes.

The docks in Cobden and Westmeath have been removed for the winter.

The new fence has been installed on Elmac Rd. south side as requested.

The Cobden park and beach have been closed and winterized(water systems drained) The park benches, flower pots and garbage cans have been removed to storage for the winter in Cobden.

We built a turn around at the end of Timm for the plow truck.

We started the removal of beaver dams at our culverts (this can require daily visits)

We are ditching near and hauling the excavated material to, the West land fill site where it is being used to make the berms and some will be used for cover.

The Play stations areas have been excavated, the equipment installed and back filled with screened sand, at the Haley Townsite and Lapasse.

We completed the work started last spring on Sand Point road, (to correct the severe erosion at the river end of the road) a cross culvert was installed and rip rap placed.

We had two water main breaks in Cobden in October repaired in house.

We repaired three curb stops that required digging, (in Beachburg)

We did a shut down on Robertson drive to allow a "T" in by Vereyken Construction this went well.

Public Works part of the ball field up grades in Cobden are complete. (equipment, granular and topsoil).

Truck #10 has been delivered to Gingras Corriveau to have the new sand/salt box installed the installation to be completed for pick up 1st week of Nov.

The yearly safety inspections are almost complete for 2005 and the clean air inspections are complete with some improvements required and this work is scheduled. The cost of repairs of our equipment is above our estimate for the year, this is due to the extra use of the equipment required to complete the projects undertaken this year. (we did all our own trucking and road work along with the other projects)

We have had a crew cold patching most of the month, and two graders grading when the conditions allow(moisture in th gravel is required) Half of our staff will be off hunting(weather permitting) so grading and cold patching will be at a stand still for this time.

Public Works Supervisor Hal Johnson, CRS

DEPARTMENT: TREASURER

DATE: OCTOBER 2004

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

TAX BILLS

The final instalment of taxes was due on October 29, 2004. Also the final water payment was due October 29, 2004. Payments are coming in at a steady pace.

INVESTMENT

A short term investment of 500,000 has been made in a cashable GIC. The rate obtained is 2.63%. This GIC will be cashed on December 15th to partly pay for County and School Board Levies.

CRF RECONCILIATION

I contacted the Ministry of Municipal Affairs with regards to the CRF reconciliation, but no information was available.

Respectfully Submitted Randi Keith

Waste Management Department

October, 2004

Friday, October 1st, Determined dates for the Free Leaf and Yard Waste Disposal and sent in written article to the applicable newspapers.

Monday, October 4th – Freon / Ozone Depleting Gases are removed from stockpile of 130 appliances at Westmeath Landfill. Procedure was carried out by Hutley Limited based out of Huntsville.

October 5th, 6th and 7th Golder Associates carried out required Fall Water Quality Monitoring Program at Cobden and Ross Landfills. I accompanied the Technician while drawing samples at several of the Borehole Stations at the Ross Landfill but was unable to attend / observe all sampling locations - nor did I accompany during sampling at the Cobden Landfill due to time restrictions.

Jp2g assigned the Monitoring to Golder Associates as well as coordinated the correspondence with the adjacent property owners.

Barron Disposal supplied the Westmeath Landfill with several empty roll-off containers for us to press the stockpile of fridges and deep freezers into once gas removal was complete. Ron and I places them into the containers with the excavator whenever we had time and by roughly the third week of October they had been cleaned up.

Steve Munro from Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Center contacted me around the middle of the month. Some time in December (tentative date yet to be determined) a company will be demonstrating a piece of equipment (large shear shredder) at the OVWRC and Steve is looking for interested parties to attend. The shredder grinds up excavated waste from existing landfills ultimately to be put back into place and re-compacted. Material can potentially be screened as well. The result is newly acquired landfill space at the existing site. Aside from the associated cost, a useful process for Municipalities which are simply running out of landfill space or cannot acquire an extension. I am going to try and attend the demo.

October 22nd, 25th, 26th and 27th - Intermediate Cover Application on North West corner side slopes was carried out. Buckwalt's excavator and dozer were utilized for the roadside ditching as well as the spreading at the landfill and our trucks hauled the material. Berm replacement on the North perimeter occurred in conjunction with cover application. Replacement of the Western perimeter berm will commence during the first week of November.

Removed the remainder of the 20 lb. Propane tanks from the site and took them to Bee Line Wreckers for final disposal.

I am going to arrange to have the excavator floated in to Ontrac likely around the beginning – middle of November. It requires some repairs and attention – primarily seals.

October 23rd was the first of two (2) Free Leaf and Yard Waste Disposal events for Township residents. This one was held at the Westmeath landfill and wasn't quite as busy as I thought it would be (likely because the leaves are hanging on). We had 110 trucks in total. This number included the waste loads as well. I anticipate the October 30th event at the Cobden Landfill will be busier.

Wednesdays have slowed down in terms of public / residents using the landfill but it continues to be well utilized by the contractors through the week. Waste received on a Wednesday is predominantly from a Commercial / Institutional or Construction source.

Landfill Operations Manager Steven Hodson

BY-LAWS

04-11-173 Zoning Amendment -Lot 14, Con 3 – Westmeath - Barnett

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2004-285 “Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to amend By-law Number 98-13 of the former Corporation of the Township of Westmeath as amended and the by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law numbered 04-11-173 be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 3rd day of November 2004.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

04-11-174 Tax Arrears Extension Agreement

Moved by A. Cobb, Seconded by Joey Trimm

2004-286 “Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region enact a By-law to authorize the Execution of a Tax Arrears Extension Agreement pursuant to Section 378 of the Municipal Act 2001 and the by-law be read a first, second and third time, and that the said by-law numbered 04-11-174 be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and be engrossed in the By-law Book this 3rd day of November 2004.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

CORRESPONDENCE

Ross Historical Society – letter of thanks – information

Township of Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards – letter of concern – information

Denis J. Chard – Finnerty Road & Muskrat Lake – letter of concern

To be discussed at a Roads Committee Meeting

Murray Moore – letter of thanks – information

OGRA – information

School Support – C. Campbell – letter of support to be sent

Severance Application - Pt lot 10 Con 3 Ross > Martin/Blok B143/04(A) & B144/04(B)

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

2002-287 “Be it resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region has no

objection to Severance Applications B143/04(A) and B144/04(B) providing the conditions set out by the Planner are adhered to.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Livestock Claim

Moved by A. Cobb, Seconded by Joey Trimm

2004-288 “Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region reimburse the following property owners for livestock killed. William Eber: \$ 600.40, Patrick McGonegal \$ 125.00, Harvey Martin \$ 300.00, Bruce McEwen \$125.00, Cailen Bromley \$125.00.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Convene into Committee of Whole

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2004-289 “Be it resolved that the Regular Council Meeting of The Council of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into Committee of the Whole.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adjournment of Committee of Whole

Moved by Beulah Wright, Seconded by Jim Labow

2004-290 “Be it resolved that The Council of the Township of Whitewater Region Committee of the Whole Meeting, dated November 3, 2004 hereby be adjourned.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

EI-Mac Road Allowance – Cost of Fence

Moved by Art Cobb, Seconded by Joe Trimm

2004-291 “Be it resolved that the Council Invoice Mr. Hugh Gilmour \$900.00 for the fence on Elmac Road Allowance.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Adjournment

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Beulah Wright

2004-292 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Regular Council Meeting dated November 3, 2004 be adjourned at 9:20 p.m.”

Carried
Donald Rathwell
Reeve

Reeve

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