

**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION**  
**Council Meeting**

**Meeting Title: Regular Council Meeting Date: Wednesday January 8, 2014**

**Place: Cobden Council Chambers Start Time: 1:00 p.m.**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

*Any submissions received from the public, either orally or in writing may become part of the public record/package.*

**Public Meeting**

1. Zoning By-Law amendment Lot 169, Plan 65, Village of Cobden, 36 Crawford St.

Adjourn Public Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer
3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
4. Adoption of the Agenda
5. Adoption of the Minutes of the Last Meeting
6. Adoption of the accounts
7. **Delegation – none**
8. **Departmental Reports - Treasury, Fire, Public Works Environmental Services, Bldg/By-Law Enforcement, Reeve, CAO**
9. **Committee Reports -  
Environmental Services Dec. 11. 2013 (1 resolution)**
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12. **New/Unfinished Business**
  1. Ontario Provincial Police – CPAC Quarterly Report
  2. Letter to Premier Wynne – OPP Billing Model
  3. Tile Drain Loan – Black
  4. Wildlife Compensation - Crozier
13. **Notice of Motions for future agendas:**
14. **Closed Meeting - none**
15. **Confirmation By-Law 13-12-679**
16. **Adjournment**

**Public Meeting**

1. Zoning By-Law amendment Lot 169, Plan 65, Village of Cobden, 36 Crawford St.

Moved by Cathy Regier, Seconded by Izett McBride

**2014 – 2780 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region convene into a Public Meeting in connection with a Zoning By-Law Amendment:**

**1. Zoning By-Law amendment Lot 169, Plan 65, Village of Cobden, 36 Crawford St.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**1. Zoning By-Law amendment Lot 169, Plan 65, Village of Cobden, 36 Crawford St.**

The Clerk reviewed Zoning Amendment and Notification Requirements.

No comments from Council or Public.

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Cathy Regier

**2013 – 2781 “Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Public Meeting dated January 8, 2014 be hereby adjourned at 1:07 pm.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**1. Call to Order**

Present: Councillors: Mayor Jim Labow, Deputy Mayor Izett McBride, Reeve Donald Rathwell, Cathy Regier, Joey Trimm, Daryl McLaughlin and Allen Dick.

**Staff Present:** Christine FitzSimons, Annette Mantifel, bill Misener, Steve Hodson and Marsha Hawthorne.

**2. Prayer**

Prayer was recited

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None Reported.

**4. Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Cathy Regier

**2014 – 2782 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopt the Agenda dated January 5, 2014 for the Regular Council Meeting.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**5. Adoption of Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Cathy Regier, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

**2014 – 2783 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater adopt the minutes dated December 11, 2013.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**6. Adoption of the Accounts**

Moved by Izett McBride, Seconded by Cathy Regier

**2014 – 2784 “Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve the attached schedule of General Purpose Accounts in the amount of \$2,139,686.24 and Water Fund Accounts in the amount of \$25,351.66 for the period December 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 and that the above accounts be paid.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**7. Delegation – none**

Nothing.

**8. Departmental Reports - Treasury, Fire, Public Works Environmental Services, Bldg/By-Law Enforcement, Reeve, CAO**

**WHITWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

**DEPARTMENT: Treasury/Administration**

**MONTHLY ACTIVITY: DECEMBER 2013**

**COUNTY AND SCHOOL BOARD LEVIES**

The fourth installment of the County and School Board levies were paid on December 15, 2013. We paid \$650,794.40 to the County and a total of \$512,938.87 to the School Boards for a total payment of \$1,163,733.27. These amounts have been reconciled by the Auditors and should represent final payment amounts for 2013.

During 2013, a total of \$2,501,443.40 was paid to the County and a total of \$1,969,955.00 was paid to the School Boards.

**2014 POLICING ESTIMATES**

The Township has now received the 2014 total estimated policing cost in the amount of \$681,922. Attached is a

comparison of the policing estimates received since 2011 as well as a sheet outlining the estimates and actual costs for previous years.

**SMALL, RURAL and NORTHERN MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

Our Expression of Interest submitted under the SRNMIF Capital Program for funding of a new larger generator at the Cobden Water Treatment Plant and the re-location of the existing generator to the Morton Street lift station has been selected to move forward to the application phase. The Environmental Services Manager and I are working on the application which must be submitted by 5p.m. on Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Annette Mantifel  
Treasurer/Deputy CAO

**WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works Department

**MONTHLY ACTIVITY:** December 2013

**Trucks have been out plowing/sanding/salting or removing snow 21 days this month, compared to 19 days the same month last year.**

**Brushing was done on some roads that were interfering with the plow trucks**

**The snow was removed in each village three times this month**

**A water hook-up was made to a new house in Beachburg**

**Furnace in Westmeath garage had some issues and needed new blower fan**

**WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT DEPARTMENT:** Fire

**MONTHLY ACTIVITY:** December

Chief Hosted Renfrew County Chief's meeting in Cobden.  
Assisted on Beachburg Christmas Parade.  
Attended Council.  
Attended Renfrew County Chief's Christmas Dinner.  
Met with D. Chief Moore on Budget year end.

Station 1 Haley's

Station 2 Cobden - Alarm activation 12 Wren Dr. Cobden.

Station 3 Foresters Falls

Station 4 Beachburg - Alarm activation 19 Smith St. Beachburg.  
Wood Stove fire Lookout Rd.

Station 5 Westmeath

Recommendations None at this moment.

**WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

**DEPARTMENT:** Environmental Services

**MONTHLY ACTIVITY:** December 2013

Finished up all Quarterly Claims for 2013 with respect to Municipal Hazardous & Special Waste, Electronics Recycling and Scrap Tire Recycling.

New Windows & Doors are installed at the Cobden Wastewater Plant.

Received and responded to a letter from MOE concerning the Cobden Landfill CAZ that may soon be acquired by the Municipality. It referenced a report written by their hydrogeologist Shawn Kinney at their Technical Branch in Kingston. It simply states that the size may not be suitable.

Had the 2013 mulch pile moved to the tipping face area of the Ross Landfill to utilize as alternative daily cover for the winter. Introduced about 20 loads of pit run to spread for the turn-around area to get us into the spring.

Initial work being done on the Departments Capital Asset Plan for 2014. Will not finalize until talks with OCWA occur to forecast this year projects and/or replacement items.

The Treasurer has prepared another application for funding for a replacement generator for the Cobden Water Treatment Plant. We have made it through the "first round". If successful, this project will also see the current Generator at the Water Plant relocated to the Morton St. Lift Station.

Ross Landfill closed Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

All fall groundwater and surface water monitoring has been completed for the three (3) Landfill Sites for 2013. The annual topographic survey of the Ross Landfill has also been completed.

There is a local gentleman interested in working the old hayfield next to the Ross Landfill. He has been informed that it is still under lease (ends in 2014) with the previous owner and it is possibly going to be utilized for land application of biosolids. He is to approach the previous owners holding the lease.

Steven Hodson, Environmental Services Manager

**WHITEWATER REGION DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

**DEPARTMENT:** Building and By-law Enforcement **DATE:** January 06, 2014

**MONTHLY ACTIVITIES:**

- We have the project for the removal of the lookout tower ready to go, but winter appeared too soon, I would suggest we wait until spring now. Buckwall's excavating is going to tear it down and prepare the site, we have drawings already made up and Green R Construct will be doing the slab. I will look for prices to frame it also. We are under budget so far.
- We have issued 3 building permits this month, 2 accessory buildings, one solar, total cost of construction \$79,222.39
- We have been working on severances, minor variances building permit inquiries and started to work on filing.
- We have been getting some dog calls every week with dogs running at large.
- We are working on outstanding building permit trying to get them completed.

**b. Reeve's Report**

There is no Reeve's Report for the month of December.

**c. CAO Report**

1. CAO updated Council on the Solar projects. Currently 5 of 9 solar panels are up and running. The Township is already seeing revenue from Ottawa River Power Corporation and Hydro One. The connections for the remaining 4 projects are underway and the entire project will be completed shortly. The CAO informed Council that with the snow and lack of sunlight this has caused the grid to go offline.

2. CAO informed Council that Mr. Whitehead sent in a report on the Muskrat Lake Water Quality Meeting. There is another public meeting taking place tonight at the Township Office.
3. CAO went over the Legal Opinion that she had received on Section 448 of the Municipal Act. The Legal opinion was that Township employees are allowed to go onto private property as long as there is a By-Law passed.
4. CAO informed Council that the Business Community Workshop was a success with 18 participants. There will be a second workshop scheduled in March.

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Cathy Regier

**2014 – 2785 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region receives & files reports from:**

**Treasurer  
Public Works  
Fire Dept.  
Environmental Services  
Building/By-Law Dept.  
Reeve  
CAO.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**9. Committee Reports -**

**Environmental Services Dec. 11. 2013 (1 resolution)**

Moved by Allen Dick, Seconded by Donald Rathwell

**2014 – 2786 “Be it Resolved that the Environmental Services Committee of the Township of Whitewater Region approves the Municipal Hazardous & Special Waste Amending Agreement as presented by the Environmental Services Manager.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**10. By-Laws**

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Moved by Donald Rathwell, Seconded by Joe Trimm

**2014 – 2787 “BE it Resoled that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region Approves that the following By-Laws be introduced, read, dealt with, numbered, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and Sealed and recorded in the By-Law book:**

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Moved by Joe Trimm, Seconded by Allen Dick

**2014 – 2788 “Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region receives and files correspondence 1 – 16.”**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**12. New/Unfinished Business**

1. **Ontario Provincial Police – CPAC Quarterly Report**  
Information.

2. **Letter to Premier Wynne – OPP Billing Model**

Moved by Joe Trimm, Seconded by Donald Rathwell

**2014 – 2789 “The Ontario Provincial Police are proposing a new billing model for charging municipalities for policing services, starting in 2015; the current billing model is a deployment model, in which cost recovery is based on percentage of detachment workload, actual detachment staffing levels, wages and benefits, and a cost recovery component for other expenditures, which model has been in place for over 15 years;**

**The new methodology would charge each municipality a flat \$260 per household fee for the base costs related to providing police services, plus a variable charge for each call for service in that municipality. The rationale for this is that there is a base fixed cost for providing police services that must be borne by all participating municipalities, regardless of the number of calls for service that the OPP responds to in each municipality. The OPP have advised that 73% of their costs are fixed (i.e. base costs) and 27% are variable;**

**The actual specifics of the cost for the calls for service have not been released or calculated, the OPP has estimated that the average cost per household in Ontario for policing services, including both the base cost and the calls for service, would be approximately \$369;**

**This model would see the OPP costs for the Township of Whitewater Region double for the 3,472 households in the municipality from \$184.65 per household under the current funding model to \$369 for the average total cost per household. The new funding model proposal is fundamentally flawed, unfair and inequitable.**

**The Council of the Township of Whitewater Region resolves that the Province of Ontario and Premier Wynne be petitioned to recognize that this proposed funding mode is unfair to rural Ontario and further that this funding model should be scrapped immediately and replaced by a proposal that deals directly with lowering the high cost of policing in Ontario.**

This resolution shall be forwarded to The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Madeleine Meilleur, Minister of Community Safety & Correctional Services, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all rural Ontario Municipalities with a permanent population of 10,000 or less."

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**3. Tile Drain Loan – Black**

Moved by Donald Rathwell, Seconded by Joe Trimm

**2014 – 2790 "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approve a tile drain load for Karen Isabel Black in the amount of \$8,500 for Con 9 N Pt Lot 13, Ross pending funding from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs."**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**4. Wildlife Compensation – Crozier**

Moved by Joe Trimm, Seconded by Donald Rathwell

**2014 – 2791 "Be it Resolved that the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region agree to reimburse:**

- 1. Bob Crozier \$402.00 for one breeding ewe and one goat killed by coyotes on December 8, 2013."**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

**13. Notice of Motions for future agendas:**

Councillor Trimm asked for a discussion on reducing the amount of paper that is used for the Council packages to be put on the next Finance and Administration Committee agenda.

Councillor McLaughlin asked if the phone system could be more user friendly and if this topic could be added to a Committee agenda for discussion.

**14. Closed Meeting - none**

Nothing.

**15. Confirmation By-Law 13-12-679**

Moved by Donald Rathwell, Seconded by Allen Dick

**2014 – 2792 "Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region approves the confirmation by-law 14-01-679 be introduced, Read, dealt with, numbered, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, Sealed and recorded in the by-law book."**


Carried by  
Jim Labow

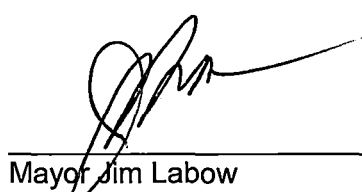
**16. Adjournment**

Moved by Allen Dick, Seconded by Joe Trimm

**2014 – 2793 "Be it Resolved that Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adjourns the meeting of Jan. 8, 2014 at 2:40pm."**

Carried by  
Jim Labow

  
Christine FitzSimons

  
Mayor Jim Labow