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

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)

10. By-Laws
   1. 14-01-672 Interim Tax Billing
   2. 14-01-673 Construction Agreement – Nagel Farms Ltd.
   3. 14-01-674 Revised Parking By-Law
   4. 14-01-675 McDonald Burying Ground Designation
   5. 14-01-676 Water & Sewer Rates
   6. 14-01-677 Zoning Amendment 37 Crawford St., Cobden
   7. 14-01-678 Liability Indemnity

11. Correspondence
   1. AMO course (Association of Municipalities of Ontario) - info
   2. Pembroke Regional Hospital public newsletter - info
   3. Newsletter – Renfrew County & District Health Unit - info
   4. Autism Ontario Raise the Flag April 2, 2014 - info
   5. Calendar of Committees & County Council Meetings - info
   6. Warden’s Annual Address - info
   7. Renfrew County Regional Science & Technology Fair (sponsorship request)
   8. OGRA (Ontario Good Roads Association) bulletin re: infrastructure – info
   9. Federal Gov’t Labour Market Agreement – info
   10. Elementary School Closures – info
   11. Letter to Premier Wynne re Small, Rural & Northern Infrastructure Fund – info
   12. Reduction in weekday hours at Foresters Falls Post Office – info
   13. Thank you letter from Catherine Timm
   14. Greater Madawaska Resolution – asking for endorsement
   15. OPP – amended use of force guidelines
   16. Closed Municipal Meetings annual report from Ombudsman

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
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

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

WHITEWATER 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 10th, 2014.

Annette Mantell
Treasurer/Deputy CAO

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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 spring. We have made it through the "first round". If successful, this project will also see the current Generator at the Ross Landfill closed Wednesday, December 25th, 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

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### 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. Buckwalts excavation 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 causes 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

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7. 14-01-678 Liability Indemnity

Moved by Donald Rathwell, Seconded by Joe Trimm
2014 – 2787 “BE it Resolved 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:

1. 14-01-672 Interim Tax Billing
2. 14-01-673 Construction Agreement – Nagel Farms Ltd.
3. 14-01-674 Revised Parking By-Law
4. 14-01-675 McDonald Burying Ground Designation
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Carried by
Jim Labow

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1. AMO course (Association of Municipalities of Ontario) - info
   So You Want to Run for Council?
   Information.

2. Pembroke Regional Hospital public newsletter – info
   Information.

3. Newsletter – Renfrew County & District Health Unit – info
   Information.

4. Autism Ontario Raise the Flag April 2, 2014 - info
   Information.
5. Calendar of Committees & County Council Meetings – info Information.

6. Warden’s Annual Address – info Information.

7. Renfrew County Regional Science & Technology Fair (sponsorship request) Information.

8. OGRA (Ontario Good Roads Association) bulletin re: infrastructure – info Information.


10. Elementary School Closures – info Information.

11. Letter to Premier Wynne re Small, Rural & Northern Infrastructure Fund – info Information.

12. Reduction in weekday hours at Foresters Falls Post Office – info Information.

13. Thank you letter from Catherine Timm Information.


15. OPP – amended use of force guidelines Information.

16. Closed Municipal Meetings annual report from Ombudsman Information.

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


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 $368 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