

MINUTES of a Meeting of Council for the Township of North Frontenac, held Thursday, April 24, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ompah Community Hall, 10200 Road 509, Ompah, Ontario.

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Maguire; Councillor Fred Perry and Councillor Wayne Good – Ward 1; Councillor Lonnie Watkins and Councillor Wayne Cole – Ward 2; Deputy Mayor Jim Beam and Councillor Bob Olmstead – Ward 3.

ALSO PRESENT: Cheryl Robson, CAO; Jenny Duhamel, Deputy Clerk; Corey Klatt, REDPC and John Ibey, PWM.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None

3. DELEGATIONS

- a) Ron Higgins, President of the Malcolm Lake Landowners Association
 - i) Request to replace an information station in the same location at the Malcolm Lake Public boat launch (see attached presentation)

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #200-08

THAT Council approves of the Malcolm Lake Landowners Association replacing the existing Information Sign at the Malcolm Lake Boat Launch with a different design;

AND THAT any new signage is to be located in the same location as the one being replaced;

AND THAT a Building Permit will not be necessary.

Carried

- ii) Malcolm Lake Landowners Association “Economic Strategic Planning Proposal” (see attached presentation)

Higgins advised the Malcolm Lake Landowners Association is not looking for a decision today on what Council would give to them in exchange for the services provided in preparing an Economic Strategic Plan, and is looking more at a trade-off of services rather than a monetary donation and if agreed on, this could be done at a later date.

Higgins advised this Plan would be for the benefit of the entire Township of North Frontenac, not just the Malcolm Lake residents. Higgins reviewed the proposal details with Council.

Maguire thanked Higgins for an excellent presentation and stated he has been trying to encourage all residents (permanent and seasonal) to share their expertise with the Municipality. Maguire asked if three days as per the proposal was enough time. Higgins said this is for person hours required, and they may be used over a period of a few months.

Perry advised as there is a survey to be done first and the MLLA proposal noted by “email response”, it may be necessary to also do a mail-out survey as not all residents have access to the internet.

Beam suggested a six week window, not two as noted in the proposal.

Cole suggested the June 14, 2008 Information Sharing Meeting between Council, businesses, Cottage Associations and the general public, may be of interest to Higgins to attend. Maguire noted Council has been engaged with Frontenac County on an Integrated Community Strategic Plan, but nothing unique to North Frontenac Township has been identified yet. Maguire stated it is the duty of the government (all levels including municipalities) to consult with the aboriginals and they would be key stakeholders.

The CAO noted there are a lot of processes happening at the same time, the Official Plan Review; ICSP with the County; Township Strategic Plan has started, although general and not specific to Economic Development; the Long Term Capital Plan is also being reviewed, and a lot of the stakeholders will find these overlapping.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #201-08
THAT Council receives for information the “Economic Strategic Planning Proposal” as presented by Ron Higgins of the Malcolm Lake Landowners Association;
AND THAT the CAO and Department Heads discuss the details and report back to Council.
Carried

b) David Pattenden – Request to use Municipal property for Lake access/MNR - LUP
Application (see attached presentation)

Pattenden advised the two marinas on Big Gull Lake have closed, leaving no docking facilities or adequate parking for the twelve cottagers on the east end of Big Gull Lake who accesses their property via boat. This group has been working on an application to the MNR for the past year; they have invested approximately \$30,000 in professional consultant fees/reports; they now have clearance from Transport Canada under the Navigable Waters Division; all environmental studies have been completed and they are presently arranging an insurance liability policy. Their request of the Township is for permission to access the proposed docks and parking via Municipally owned property, such as the shore road allowance, and the old Frontenac Road, which is not a maintained Township road. This is an existing use. This is not for convenience, but is a necessity for these 12 property owners to enable them to access their island properties. There is a safety concern here as well, in that this would provide access for ambulance services at the docking facilities on the east end of Big Gull Lake, which is the closest route for those involved. Pattenden explained there is ample parking available.

It was the consensus of Council the area is not gated, and Pattenden replied they would do whatever Council advised and they intend to post signs advising “Private dockage, not public”. PWM noted the parking area and the docks would need a civic number for 911 uses and this number would refer to each individual cottage site, however, in order to get a civic number the islands must have legal names. The PWM advised he has the contact information available if Mr. Pattenden wishes to come to the office to obtain it. Maguire noted this should be a requirement in an Agreement, along with the dock being built, maintained and insured by the property owners, not the Municipality.

The CAO was instructed to ask MPAC about assessing these docks. Pattenden explained the urgency of obtaining approval, as they presently have no access.

Watkins asked about the property owners purchasing the land (shore road allowance), however they do not own abutting land. Watkins suggested the MNR be contacted to see if the Municipality can return the land to MNR.

Pattenden asked that the Municipality advise what is required as soon as possible (i.e. survey, etc.) and they will comply at their expense.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #202-08

THAT Council approves in principle the request by David Pattenden, on behalf of 12 water access property owners on the east end of Big Gull Lake, for approval to access a dock on part of the Municipal shore road allowance between Helen Lane and Big Gull Lake and to access a supporting parking area via the old Frontenac Road;

AND THAT the Clerk is hereby directed to obtain legal advice from the Township's Solicitor with regards to a License Agreement and the wording of same, if applicable;

AND THAT, as such an Agreement would require a legal description of the lands involved, a Reference Plan of the shore road allowance area and that part of the Frontenac Road to be used shall be provided at the expense of the property owners noted above;

AND THAT any construction of docking facilities will be completed through a Building Permit and inspections by the Chief Building Official of the Township of North Frontenac, with a copy of the Ministry of Natural Resources' Land Use Permit being provided to the Township in advance.

Carried

6. OLD BUSINESS

Good discussed Highway 41 and the Streetlights in Cloyne, commenting these lights are the mercury vapour type and require more energy to operate than the new "greener" ones. He feels Council should petition MTO to install new types when they are doing the work in Cloyne. PWM feels these may be the property of the municipality, however, as noted by Beam, the letter sent by MTO says they will not be making any changes to the Cloyne Streetlights. This appears they are the property of the MTO. North Frontenac and Addington Highlands share the maintenance costs 50/50.

PWM was instructed to prepare an Administrative Report for Council once further details are obtained.

The REDPC and the PWM left the meeting at this time.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE)

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Good #203-08

THAT the Minutes of a Special Budget Meeting of Council dated April 3, 2008 and the Minutes of a Closed Meeting of Council dated April 3, 2008 be adopted as circulated;

AND THAT the Minutes of the second Closed Meeting of Council dated April 10, 2008 and the Minutes of a Special Budget Meeting of Council dated April 10, 2008 be adopted as circulated;

AND THAT the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council dated April 10, 2008 be adopted as amended;

AND THAT the Minutes of the Committee of Adjustment/Planning Advisory Committee Meetings held November 20 and December 18, 2007 be received for information.

Carried

Maguire made a recommendation that the minutes refer to the third person in future, therefore, not refer to "I" but to "he or she".

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

a) Draft response to letter from Dan White

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#204-08

THAT Council approves of the draft response to Dan White replying to his letters to each individual Councillor;

AND THAT Council hereby authorizes the CAO to send this response to Mr. White immediately.

Carried

b) 2008 Municipal Road & Bridge Capital Infrastructure Investment

Maguire has concerns as it doesn't say how long we have to use the funds before having to return them if not used.

The CAO has contacted MTO but has not received a response as they are extremely busy. MMAH advised they will still need a resolution by the April 30, 2008 deadline, as a safety net.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#205-08

THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac acknowledges that the \$1,362,831.00 allocated to the Township of North Frontenac by the province will be used for municipal road and bridge capital investment needs;

AND THAT a final summary report detailing expenditures, use of provincial funding, and outcomes achieved shall be submitted to the Ministry of Transportation and the Ministry may request an independent audit of the project;

AND THAT any funds intended for the project that are not used in accordance with rehabilitation of municipal road and bridge capital investment needs or the terms outlined above will be returned to the Ministry.

Carried

7. COMMUNICATIONS – Administrative Report

Section A

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead

#206-08

THAT Section A Items of the Clerk's Administrative Report entitled Communications of Interest to Council dated April 17, 2008, as set out below, be received for information.

AMO/Ministry Bulletins, Etc.

Alert #08/019 – Reminder AMO Climate Change Task Force Expressions of Interest
Due May 2, 2008

Alert #08/020 – Federal Gas Tax Award Deadline Reminder

Alert #08/021 – Report to Members on the March 2008 Board Meeting

FCM Members' Advisory – Municipal Survey on Federal Support for Cities and
Communities

MMAH News – Greening Communities Across Ontario

MMAH Backgrounder – ECO Challenge Fund Helps Municipalities Go Green

FCM – Report on the Key Municipal Issues and Challenges (Available on line – please
contact the Clerk if interested in viewing 200+ pages)

AMO/LAS Workshop – Cashing in on Energy Savings

1. Ministry of Transportation letter dated April 8, 2008 re: Highway 41 Improvements
2. Stewardship Ontario – 4th quarterly payment received for 2007

3. Quinte Conservation – cancellation of board meetings (Quinte Conservation Executive Committee and Source Protection Authority) until further notice, due to current flooding conditions
4. Infrastructure Ontario letter dated March 28, 2008 – North Frontenac Township not to receive any funding at this time for the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII)
5. Minister of Finance – copy of 2007 Actuals - OPP Policing Services
6. Minister of Finance – letter dated March 31, 2008 re: Bill 35 and possible funding and the 2007-08 Surplus Allocation Formula
7. MNR letter dated March 31, 2008 – Approved Annual Work Schedule for Mazinaw-Lanark Forest Management Unit
8. Department of Canadian Heritage – copy of the 2005 official portrait of Queen Elizabeth and information bulletin
9. AMCTO letter dated April 1, 2008 inviting the municipality to showcase its innovative performance achievements by submitting an application for the E.A. Danby Award
10. Land O' Lakes April Newsletter
11. Minister of Citizenship and Immigration call for Nominations for the 2008 Citation for Citizenship Award.
12. Town and Country Planning Workshop – On the Winds of Change
13. Quinte Source Protection Committee Meeting Agenda for April 24, 2008
14. Response from the City of Thorold with regards to North Frontenac Township's request for support for the Federal Gas Tax Resolution
15. Response from the City of Thorold with regards to North Frontenac Township's request for support for the Provincial Sales Tax Resolution
16. Response from the City of Vaughan with regards to North Frontenac Township's request for support for the Provincial Sales Tax and the Federal Gas Tax Resolutions
17. Response from the Town of Orangeville with regards to North Frontenac Township's request for support for the Provincial Sales Tax Resolution
18. Letter to Mayor Maguire from Donna Cansfield, Minister of Natural Resources, dated April 9, 2008 regarding pan fish limits
19. Invitation to become a member of Ontario One Call free of charge.
20. AMO Large Urban Symposium – New Session Added – “On Your Bike: Active Transportation
21. Announcement of Totten Sims Hubicki (TSH) and AECOM Merger
- ~~22. Letter dated April 8, 2008 from Jane Drew of Rural Routes Transportation Service requesting funding support from the Township~~
- ~~23. Invitation to Mayor Maguire from the University Hospitals Kingston Foundation to join the Kingston fundraising campaign for health care in Southeastern Ontario, with confirmation of attendance being sent by April 30, 2008~~
- ~~24. Request from the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters for help publicizing the 2008 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend and request that Council proclaims July 4–6, 2008 as the 2008 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend~~
25. Request for support from the City of Ottawa in requesting the Province of Ontario pay a proportional share of MPAC costs related to education property taxes
26. Copy of Parks and Recreation Ontario's (PRO) report entitled “Investing in Healthy and Active Ontarians through Recreation and Parks Infrastructure” and a request for support in advising the McGuinty Government that annual funding for recreation and parks infrastructure is a priority for citizens in our community

~~27. Request for support from Tay Valley Township in petitioning the province to make infrastructure funding available to ALL municipalities based upon formulae similar to those developed for the Move Ontario and the Municipal Roads and Bridges Fund so that municipal politicians and staff do not have to waste valuable time, effort and money in applying for the various programs' funds that would enable the construction of necessary projects~~

28. Request from the Ontario Power Authority and the Ministry of Energy to proclaim May 25 – 31, 2008 “Energy Conservation Week”

Carried

In discussing the MMAH News regarding Greening Communities across Ontario, the REDPC was instructed to look into any possible funding available for “green” initiatives.

A6 - Following discussion it was the consensus of Council that the Clerk reply to the Ministry of Finance explaining that once again this funding is on a per capita basis which fails to recognize that the majority of the population in North Frontenac is seasonal, and this does not reflect a true population count, and attach a copy of North Frontenac Township Resolution #77-08 which explains this reasoning.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#207-08

THAT items A 22, 23, 24 and 27 of the Communications of Interest to Council Administrative Report dated April 17, 2008, be brought forward to Section B to be acted upon.

Carried

B: Action Items: (to include items brought forward from Section A above by a member of Council)

B1. (A22) - Letter dated April 8, 2008 from Jane Drew of Rural Routes Transportation Service requesting funding support from the Township

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead

THAT Council is in receipt of North Frontenac Community Services Corporation “Rural Routes Transportation Services” second request for funding;

AND THAT Council supports the request of \$7,000.00 on the condition that when the Transportation Study is completed, that the County of Frontenac reimburse the Township of North Frontenac, as this is a Social Service and County responsibility.

Defeated 4 to 3

B2. (A23) - Invitation to Mayor Maguire from the University Hospitals Kingston Foundation to join the Kingston fundraising campaign for health care in Southeastern Ontario, with confirmation of attendance being sent by April 30, 2008

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead

#208-08

THAT Council acknowledges receipt of the invitation to Mayor Maguire to attend the University Hospitals Kingston Foundation fundraising campaign in Kingston on June 11, 2008;

AND THAT the CAO is hereby directed to respond to Debbie Broome of the Mayor’s attendance by April 30, 2008.

Carried

B3. (A24) - Request from the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters for help publicizing the 2008 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend and request that Council proclaims July 4 –

6, 2008 as the 2008 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead

#209-08

THAT Council hereby proclaims the weekend of July 4 – 6, 2008 as “Ontario Family Fishing Weekend”;

AND THAT a copy of this Resolution will be forwarded to the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters; Scott Reid, MP and Randy Hillier, MPP.

Carried

B4. (A27) - Request for support from Tay Valley Township in petitioning the province to make infrastructure funding available to ALL municipalities based upon formulae similar to those developed for the Move Ontario and the Municipal Roads and Bridges Fund so that municipal politicians and staff do not have to waste valuable time, effort and money in applying for the various program funds that would enable the construction of necessary projects

Moved by Councillor Good, Seconded by Councillor Olmstead

#210-08

THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac supports the Municipality of Tay Valley Township in requesting that the province make infrastructure funding available to ALL municipalities based upon formulae similar to those developed for the Move Ontario and the Municipal Roads and Bridges Fund so that municipal politicians and staff do not have to waste valuable time, effort and money in applying for the various programs’ funds that would enable the construction of necessary projects;

AND THAT a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Leader of the Official Opposition of Ontario; the Leader of the New Democratic Party of Ontario; Scott Reid, MP and Randy Hillier, MPP.

Carried

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD / COUNCIL MEMBER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

None

9. TASK FORCE NOTES AND REPORTS

None

10. BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#211-08

THAT, the following Vouchers in the amount of \$ 53,783.72 be approved for payment:

- April 15, 2008 @ \$ 12,530.44
- April 15, 2008 @ \$ 41,253.28

Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS

a) Application to North Frontenac Township Fire Department

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#212-08

THAT Council accepts the appointment of Jesse A. Repaye to the North Frontenac Volunteer Fire Department, Snow Road Station, as recommended by the Fire Chief.

Carried

b) Letter of Resignation – Deferred to Closed Session

c) Wind Conference

Good and Perry gave a brief explanation of the Kingston Technology Council Luncheon Seminar they attended April 18, 2008, with Mr. Volker Thomsen as speaker on alternative energy. This session was very informative and interesting, with much data on European communities that have gone almost entirely “green”. Mr. Thomsen has said he can be available to do a presentation to Council if they so desire.

As there is another energy conference coming up, it was the consensus of Council to send a different member of Council to enable as many as possible to receive first hand information on these topics, as this could be a great incentive/spin-off with industry potential for our municipality.

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Beam #213-08

THAT Council authorizes Deputy Mayor Beam to attend the 7th World Wind Energy Conference 2008 in Kingston June 24 – 26, 2008;

AND THAT the registration fees and expenses for accommodations, meals and transportation will be paid by the Township.

Carried

d) Complaints - former Millers Store location

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #214-08

THAT the CAO be instructed to reply to the complainant with respect to the former Miller Store providing them with the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) contact person’s information and the MOE work completed to date.

Carried

12. OTHER BUSINESS – Verbal Reports

Councillor Cole advised he had to leave early due to personal reasons, and requested to deliver his reports at this time.

f) Social Services Envelope - Councillor Cole

i) Pine Meadow Nursing Home

Pine Meadow representatives met with Lennox and Addington (L&A) County officials to discuss the criteria necessary to meet the obligations for funding.

The Capital Drive Committee will meet April 29, 2008 re: fundraising for an addition.

The Share the Spirit Campaign is a fundraiser directed towards businesses in the community.

On April 16, 2008 there was a meeting with the Chair of the L&A County Hospital to try to set up a Women’s Auxiliary Committee at Pine Meadow.

Cole advised he was pleased to see Frontenac County completing an Operational Review, which will then be a public document. Maguire explained this will be a general document and it is fairly routine.

ii) Rural Routes Transportation Services

No report.

Cole left the meeting at this time.

11. NEW BUSINESS continued

e) Sand and Gravel Tenders

Olmstead asked about the tenders for sand and gravel. The CAO said these are presently being drafted and will be ready for publishing shortly. Perry asked if this could be tendered per Ward,

as this way we may get more local bids. The CAO explained Insurance; WSIB Certificate requirements; extra supervision; limited sand/gravel located in the municipality; three year contract for Roadside Mowing etc., and advised she was instructed to talk to the PWM and get back to Council before advertising the tenders.

f) Perry questioned the closure of the Cloyne Waste Site, and asked if there had been any input from Addington Highlands (ADHL). The CAO advised the Clerk and PWM had met with Bon Echo Provincial Park authorities last week regarding their waste and recycling. North Frontenac presently pays 50% of the expenses and Addington Highlands pays 50%. An Agreement should be considered with ADHL once the Clerk has the information from Bon Echo, and perhaps at that time a Task Force will be formed. (i.e. Steering Committee as recommended by the Ministry of the Environment)

12. OTHER BUSINESS – Verbal Reports Continued

a) Ardoch Algonquin First Nations & Allies (AAFNA) Mayor Maguire
No report.

b) Clar/Mill Community Archives Councillor Watkins
No report.
Perry advised Watkins that another Heritage building may be available as an opportunity for the Archives.

c) Economic Development Envelope Councillor Olmstead
No report.

d) Community Facilitation Team Re: "Engaging Deputy Mayor Beam
No report.

e) Environmental Envelope - Deputy Mayor Beam
i) Madawaska Highlands/Timber Management/Fish & Wildlife
The minutes and information of the Mazinaw Area Fish and Wildlife Advisory Committee meeting held April 23, 2008 will be given to the Clerk to circulate to Council.

ii) Mississippi Valley Conservation
Beam reported that 17 water samples have been taken by MVC on 15 different properties, and the results of 2 had counts above the Provincial objectives for uranium. The KFLA Health Unit was notified and the response was the results were not greatly above the Provincial objectives and there was no concern. (i.e. the guidelines are fairly liberal)

13. BY-LAWS

a) #29-08 – Respecting the Naming and/or Renaming of Public Highways and Private Lanes
Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry #215-08

THAT By-law #29-08, being a by-law to amend By-law #07-03 respecting the Naming and/or Renaming of Public Highways and Private Lanes, be read a first and second time.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Beam #216-08

THAT By-law # 29-08 be read a third time and finally passed.

Carried

14. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#217-08

THAT Council retires to closed session at 12:30 p.m. to discuss:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Carried

15. OPEN SESSION

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#218-08

THAT Council returns to open session at 12:50 p.m.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Beam

#219-08

THAT Council accepts with regret, the resignation of Linda M. Manion effective immediately and that Council members instruct the Clerk to convey their gratitude for her many years of dedicated and faithful service and to express their best wishes to her in her future endeavors.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#220-08

THAT the Minutes of the first Closed Meeting of Council dated April 10, 2008 be adopted as amended.

Carried

Watkins advised of a request from North of 7 Restaurant and Market to obtain a copy of the letter of approval issued by North Frontenac Township regarding the operations of a Propane Dispensing Station at their location, as TSSA has lost their application. It was the consensus of Council to authorize the Clerk to provide such a letter.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Beam

#221-08

THAT the meeting adjourns at 12:51 p.m. until May 8, 2008 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk