

MINUTES of a Meeting of Council for the Township of North Frontenac, held Thursday, March 26, 2009 at the Clar/Mill Fire Hall Upstairs Meeting Room, 6648 Road 506, Plevna, Ontario.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Cheryl Robson, CAO/Treasurer; Brenda Defosse, Clerk/Planning Coordinator; John Ibey, PWM; Warden Janet Gutowski; Guy Laporte and Anne Kloosterman of AECOM.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None declared.

3. DELEGATIONS

a) Warden Janet Gutowski – Joint County Council meeting update

The Mayor welcomed Gutowski as Warden of the County of Frontenac and also as our neighbor, being Mayor of the Township of Central Frontenac. The Warden advised she wanted to come before Council today firstly to thank each of them for attending the last Joint County Council Meeting and apologized for the crammed Agenda leaving no time for discussion. She recognized their attendance as a big commitment. Further, she wanted to update everyone on the Digital Summit attended the day before which she felt was excellent. She confirmed the County would be providing each of the Townships with a cd or memory stick containing the presentation. Further, she wanted to provide comments with respect to the Ambulance Review which is about serving the people within the Townships. She advised we all need to be planning for the future by working together, flushing out all possible opportunities. Lastly she wanted to touch on the Governance Review. She confirmed everyone needs to be thinking forward; invest in our people; be sure the structure is correct; look after our elderly and our youth; by working together. She commended Council on their discussions with our neighbour municipalities. She added that North Frontenac is a member of the County of Frontenac and we must work together. We need to make it better and need to answer to our residents. People need an understanding and communication has been an issue. When it comes to public consultation it is more than just the Ministry. We have skilled and connected people here and we can be an innovative creative community. Mayor Maguire thanked the Warden for attending today.

The PWM joined the meeting.

b) Guy Laporte and Anne Kloosterman of AECOM - (Waste Consultant)

The Mayor welcomed Guy and Anne.

i) Waste Site Annual Review of 2008 Reports

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#135-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges receipt of the Annual Waste Site Review Reports as prepared and presented by Guy Laporte and Anne Kloosterman of AECOM for information;

AND THAT AECOM is authorized to forward the Annual Waste Site Reports to the Ministry of the Environment.

Carried

The Warden left the Meeting at this time.

ii) Waste Site Leachate Concerns

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#136-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council is aware of the requirement of a Long Term Inspection and Maintenance Report being carried out at each Waste Site, which is to include identifying any evidence of leachate springs;

AND THAT Council is comfortable with this inspection being carried out by the Public Works Manager of the Township of North Frontenac.

Carried

Laporte confirmed if possible leachate was detected during one of these inspections it should be reported to him immediately for further investigation.

iii) Discussion on mandatory recycling and clear bags for all household waste effective May 15, 2009 as per the Mayor's Newsletter

Moved by Bob Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Watkins

#137-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk's Administrative Report entitled March 26, 2009 Council Agenda Item #3 b iii) dated March 25, 2009, be received for information.

AND THAT Council allows the Clerk's Department and PWM a little more time to pull the proposed changes together and prepare a draft Education Plan for their perusal, and once approved, to circulate to the Public and Staff;

AND THAT mandatory recycling is effective May 15th, 2009 and a grace period for implementation of mandatory clear bag use be effective May 15, 2009 to August 15, 2009;

AND THAT the Cloyne Transfer Station Hours on Sundays, May 15 to October 15 be changed from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., TO 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;

AND THAT construction waste will not be accepted at the Ardoch Site effective May 15, 2009 temporarily;

AND THAT A Bear Wise Bin purchase be added to the 2009 Draft Budget, costs to be shared with Addington Highlands (estimated cost of \$9,000.00).

Carried

c) Guy Laporte of AECOM - Bridge Report (Previously circulated to Council January 29, 2009)

Laporte presented the Report via a power point presentation. Maguire thanked Laporte and Kloosterman for the reports presented today and confirmed that the Bridge Report had been deferred to the Roads Task Force for further consideration and recommendations to Council.

The PWM left the meeting at this time with Guy Laporte and Anne Kloosterman.

The Mayor acknowledged and introduced, for those who had not met her, Anne Marie Young the new Economic Development Officer for the County of Frontenac, who was sitting in the gallery. She stated she was getting a feel of what is going on in our community, specifically three big projects at the County being trails, broadband and the ICSP which itself includes some large projects and time commitment. She added that the County can help promote windmills and the one meter initiative telescope. She confirmed for the CAO that there are opportunities to work together on securing grants.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#138-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of a Regular Meeting Council dated March 12, 2009 be adopted as amended;

AND THAT the Minutes of a Joint Health and Safety Committee Meeting dated February 23, 2009 be received for information;

AND THAT the Minutes of a Kaladar/Barrie Joint Fire Board meeting dated February 17, 2009 be received for information;

AND THAT the Minutes of an Emergency Management Program Plan Committee dated February 20, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

a) Resolution proclaiming April as "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month"

Moved by Deputy Mayor Beam, Seconded by Councillor Perry

#139-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac does hereby proclaim the month of April 2009 as "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month" in support of Parkinson Society Canada and encourages everyone to support Parkinson Society Canada during its Spring Campaign;

AND THAT a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Parkinson Society of Canada, Central and Northern Region; Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario; Scott Reid, MP and Randy Hillier, MPP.

Carried

6. OLD BUSINESS

a) Early School Year

Moved by Bob Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Watkins

#140-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does not support the Limestone District School Board's decision to start the school year prior to the Tuesday after Labour Day, due to the negative impact on Tourism and local businesses.

Carried

b) Addington Frontenac Area Radio (AFAR)

The CAO referenced her e-mail to Jack Pahl, Addington Highlands Clerk and his response regarding the AFAR volunteers which was circulated in the Agenda package. The CAO advised she would contact Pahl for further volunteer insurance clarification with respect to volunteers who are not members from Addington Highlands Township and report back to Council.

7. COMMUNICATIONS – Administrative Report - Section A

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#141-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Section A Items of the Clerk's Administrative Report entitled Communications of Interest to Council dated March 18, 2009, as set out below, be received for information.

AMO/Ministry Bulletins, Etc.

Alert #09-015 – Pesticides Ban

Alert #09-016 – Federal Rules Changed for Building Canada Fund Projects with Provincial Environmental Assessments until 2011

AMO FYI No. 09-005 – Province Hosting Workshops on Renewable Energy Approvals Process Proposed in Bill 150 (*Green Energy Act*)

FCM Members' Advisory dated March 3, 2009 – Update on Green Municipal Corporation

FCM Members' Advisory dated March 9, 2009 – FCM National Board Meeting Key Messages and Resolution to Reduce the Use of Bottled Water in Municipal Facilities

AMCTO Express dated March 16, 2009 – Municipal Elections Update #1

OGRA/ROMA – Municipal DataWorks Webinars April 7th and April 9th

1. Rural Matters Release Final Report – “One Vision, Many Voices – How To Build a Sustainable Rural Canada”
2. Letter from Fisheries and Oceans Canada entitled “2009 Class Authorization process for the maintenance of Municipal Drains under Subsection 35(2) of the *Fisheries Act*.”
3. Memorandum from the Minister of the Environment and the Minister of Natural Resources regarding the Implementation of the Great Lakes – St. Lawrence River Basin Sustainable Water Resource Agreement
4. ACT Grants Application Deadline April 24, 2009
5. Hydro One 2008 Delivery Rate Changes
6. Eastern Ontario Economic Showcase featuring Donald Trump, September 24, 2009 at the Ottawa Civic Centre - Event Brief
7. Canadian Urban Institute's Urban Leadership Series, March 26, 2009
8. Mississippi/Rideau Source Water Protection Workshop for Municipalities March 31, 2009 in Perth
9. Crisis & Trauma Resource Institute (CTRI) Workshops on Critical Incident Group Debriefing in Toronto April 1, 2009 and Thunder Bay March 27, 2009

- Educational Program Innovations Center April Civil Seminars
10. Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) 2009 Conference and Trade Show May 6-8, 2009 in Cornwall
 11. Ontario Hospital Association – Invitation to two conferences
 - i) Economic Uncertainty: Insights from the Risk Officer, March 30, 2009 in Toronto
 - ii) Climate Change in Ontario: Adaption and Green Business Strategies April 14-15, 2009 in Toronto
 12. Ontario Hospital Association (OHA) Workplace Mental Health Conference May 29, 2009 in Toronto
 13. Educational Program Innovations Center April Civil Seminars
 14. Region of Peel invitation to Energy Matters Summit 2009 being held April 20-21, 2009 in Mississauga
 15. Request from Canada Post to nominate an individual for a 2009 Canada Post Community Literacy Award before May 22, 2009.
 16. Request from the Minister Responsible for Seniors to nominate an individual over the age of 65 years for the Senior of the Year Award before April 30, 2009.
 - ~~17. Request from the United Way to proclaim the week of May 9, 2009 as United Way Success By 6 Week.~~
 18. Request for support from the Municipality of Thames Centre in requesting the Province to provide immediate support to Municipalities and private sector partners to secure the long-term viability of waste diversion programs.
 19. Request for support from the Municipality of Middlesex Centre in petitioning the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to review and shorten the time frame required for approval of drainage maintenance and construction and bridge reconstruction requests especially where weather conditions warrant an extended season and to delegate their authority for such matters to the local Conservation Authorities.
 20. Request for support from the Municipality of South Bruce in requesting that Conservation Ontario implement and prioritize a major lobby effort against the Provincial Government and MNR to demand fair funding and that the Provincial Government significantly increase funding to the thirty six Ontario Conservation Authorities.

Carried

A1 – The Mayor initiated discussion on the Rural Initiatives Report advising unfortunately no action was taken or noted in the Report. The Township shall write a letter to Randy Hillier and Scott Reid to see what they plan to do with the recommendations and what Council can do to help. Adding, this Report bolsters and supports some of North Frontenac’s resolutions of past years.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good

#142-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Item A17 of the Clerk’s Administrative Report entitled Communications of Interest to Council dated March 18, 2009 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 - A17. Request from the United Way to proclaim the week of May 9, 2009 as United Way Success By 6 Week.

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Good #143-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the letter dated March 6, 2009 from the Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington United Way;

AND THAT Council hereby proclaims the week beginning May 9, 2008 as “Success By 6 Week”;

AND THAT the Clerk is hereby instructed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the United Way; Scott Reid, MP and Randy Hillier, MPP.

Carried

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD / COUNCIL MEMBER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a) Clerk/Planning Coordinator – Big Gull Lake Agreement with the Island Residents - Deferred

9. TASK FORCE NOTES AND REPORTS

None

10. BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Good

#144-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Vouchers in the amount of **\$ 888,949.78** to be approved for payment:

- March 6, 2009 @ \$ 3,008.13 2008 Expense
- March 11, 2009 @ \$ 161,091.76 2009 Expense
- March 16, 2009 @ \$ 23,621.93 2009 Expense
- March 18, 2009 @ \$ 62,739.96 2009 Expense
- March 18, 2009 @ \$ 316,318.00 2009 Expense
- March 18, 2009 @ \$ 322,170.00 2009 Expense

Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS

a) County Council Composition Review dated March 18, 2009

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Watkins

#145-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges receipt of the report “County of Frontenac County Council Composition Review” dated March 18, 2009 as prepared by Armstrong Associates of Peterborough, ON;

AND THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac recommends the following option:

1. A total number of thirteen (13) members on County Council effective December 1, 2010;
2. Consisting of the following:
 - four (4) Mayors;
 - four (4) Deputy Mayors or Members of Council (appointed for the term);
 - five (5) members elected at large (non-lower tier Council members) being

two (2) from Ward One (North) and three (3) from Ward Two (South), Wards as defined in the proposed final recommendation of the Armstrong Associates Report dated March 18, 2009;

3. Warden shall be appointed for the term and be voted in by the thirteen (13) County Council members and the Warden shall be a member of a Lower Tier Municipal Council from within the County of Frontenac.

Carried

b) County of Frontenac Rural Area Ambulance Service Review

It was noted by members of Council that the Report itself is flawed and thus the conclusions are skewed. After a lengthy discussion it was the consensus of Council to have the Clerk draft a motion for Council's consideration at the next Council meeting, based on today's discussion.

c) Summary on the Consultation Process for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Good

#146-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges receipt of the Summary Letter Re: The Consultation Process for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities from Bell Mobility; Rogers Wireless and TELUS Mobility;

AND THAT Council appoints the IT Technician/Mapping Coordinator to be the Township contact person.

Carried

12. OTHER BUSINESS – Verbal Reports were given by members of Council on each of their portfolios noted below.

a) County Business

Mayor Maguire

No report as all of Council were present at the last County Joint Councils Meeting.

b) Algonquin Land Claims Negotiations

Mayor Maguire

No report.

c) Emergency Preparedness

Councillor Good

d) Communications and Economic Development

Deputy Mayor Beam and

Councillor Perry

Councillor Olmstead

e) Environmental

No report.

f) Mississippi Valley Conservation

Deputy Mayor Beam

g) Health

Councillor Perry

h) Social Services Envelope

Councillor Gunsinger

i) Youth & Recreation

Councillor Watkins

13. BY-LAWS

a) By-law #10-09 being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to enter into a Licence Agreement with the Big Gull Lake Islanders - Deferred

14. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Good

#147-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council retires to closed session at 3:50 p.m. to discuss:

- a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality or local board

- litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- labour relations or employee negotiations;
- advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- a matter in respect of which a council, board or committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act.

Carried

15. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Good

#148-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council returns to open session at 4:25 p.m.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Olmstead, Seconded by Councillor Watkins

#149-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the Township of North Frontenac as part of our succession planning program, approves Marc Morrow as a township employee effective April 1, 2009 as an Apprentice in the Truck, Coach and Heavy Duty, 5-year Program, in which he will be required to attend school and may have to work for other employers as well to obtain his certification;

AND THAT, Job Connect has agreed to subsidize the Township in the total amount of \$4,000 for the Placement and Apprenticeship Program;

AND THAT, Marc Morrow shall report to the Public Works Manager and/or Mechanic and this position is based on forty (40) hours per week;

AND THAT, Marc Morrow's rate of pay be the same rate he received on the Job Connect Training Incentive Placement Agreement from February 9 to March 31, 2009;

AND THAT, Marc Morrow be placed on a one-year probationary period;

AND THAT, Marc Morrow will receive vacation pay per the Employment Standards Act; and he will not be eligible for vacation leave; sick leave and/or the township benefit package; and that any time off shall be without pay and approved by the Public Works Manager in advance; with the exception of time off permitted under the Employment Standards Act, as amended;

AND THAT, the CAO/Treasurer be instructed to add this to the 2009 draft budget.

Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Perry, Seconded by Councillor Good

#150-09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourns at 4:27 p.m. until April 9, 2009 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk