

## MINUTES

Council met at 4:00 p.m. for their second meeting of the month.

Present: Mayor Wearn, Councillors Balzer, Banbury, Cowan and Peterson

Staff: Bell, Crandall, Gabara, Richardson, Stevenson, Williamson and Wood

Mayor Wearn in the Chair.

**1. Prayer**

**2. Call to Order**

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**RESOLUTION #1**

Moved by – Councillor Peterson  
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the amended agenda for the January 7, 2015 regular meeting of Council be approved, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None.

**5. Adoption of Minutes**

**RESOLUTION #2**

Moved by – Councillor Peterson  
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the minutes of the January 7, 2015 open session meeting of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

**RESOLUTION #3**

Moved by – Councillor Peterson  
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the minutes of the December 17, 2014 closed session meeting of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

**RESOLUTION #4**

Moved by – Councillor Peterson  
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the minutes of the January 14, 2015 Budget Council meeting be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

**6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

.Carried

**7. Public Meetings**

**RESOLUTION #5**

Moved by – Councillor Balzer  
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that pursuant to the provisions of Section 52 of the Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, Chapter D.17, the Court of Revision for the purposes of hearing appeals to the Beckett Drain is re-convened at 4:02 p.m.

.Carried

In response to a question from Mrs. Bonnar-Yost, Mayor Wearn stated the Township had not received any correspondence from the M.T.O.

**RESOLUTION #6**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that the decision made by the Court of Revision on December 17, 2014 for the Beckett Drain be upheld and the following reductions/additions take place:

- reduce the outlet assessment of the Beckett Drain West Branch of Roll No. 020-050-26600 (A & K Yost) by \$10.00 and that it be added to the outlet assessment of M.T.O. (401)
- reduce the outlet assessment of the Beckett Drain East Branch of Roll No. 020-050-28000 (M & G Cousineau) by \$1044.00 and that it be added to the outlet assessment of M.T.O. (401)

.Carried

#### **RESOLUTION #7**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that the Court of Revision for the Beckett Drain be closed;

And further that upon the successful completion of the required appeal process, the appointed Engineering Firm may act on behalf of Council to continue with the Drainage Act procedures and make the required arrangements for the construction of the proposed drainage works.

.Carried

### **8. Staff Reports**

#### **a. Gary Crandall – Director of Public Works**

##### **i. PW-15-02– 2015 Dust Suppressant Supply**

#### **RESOLUTION #8**

Moved by – Councillor Balzer  
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that Report PW-15-02 be received as information;

And further that Council accept the one year tender extension for the supply of liquid brine solution from Pollard Highway Products at the existing 2013 and 2014 price of \$.072/litre plus HST for our 2015 dust suppressant needs.

.Carried

##### **ii. PW-15-03– Load Limit By-law for Deficient Bridges**

#### **RESOLUTION #9**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report PW-15-03 be received as information;

And further that Council enact By-law 1888-2015 to restrict weights over four deficient Township bridges as recommended by K. Smart Associates Ltd.

.Carried

**b. Paul Gabara – CBO/Manager Building Services**

**i. CBO-15-02 – New Building By-law**

**RESOLUTION #10**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CBO-15-02 be received as information;

And further that Council approve the recommendation from the Manager of Building Services/CBO, that By-law 1729-2012 be repealed and be replaced with By-law 1883-2015, being a by-law in respect to enforcing the Building Code Act and Ontario Building Code regulation.

.Carried

**c. Fran Bell – CAO/Clerk**

**i. CAO-15-01 – Proposed 2015 Mileage Rates**

**RESOLUTION #11**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CAO-15-01 be received as information;

And further that the mileage rate for 2015 be increased to \$0.55/km.

.Carried

**ii. CAO-15-02 – Municipal Insurance – Environmental Liability**

**RESOLUTION #12**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CAO-15-02 be received as information;

And further that the existing Environmental Liability insurance limit remain at their current levels.

.Carried

**9. Unfinished Business**

None.

**10. New Business**

None.

**11. Motions and Notices of Motion**

None.

**12. Closed Sessions**

**RESOLUTION #13**

Moved by – Councillor Banbury  
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Council moved into closed session at 4:18 p.m. to discuss matters of litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Recount) and to discuss litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (OMB).

.Carried

**RESOLUTION #14**

Moved by – Councillor Cowan  
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn from closed session and resume into open session at 4:50 p.m.

.Carried

**RESOLUTION #15**

Moved by – Councillor Peterson  
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that Council request the solicitor to pursue recouping court costs for the judicial recount hearing, as appropriate.

.Carried

**13. By-laws**

**RESOLUTION #16**

Moved by – Councillor Cowan  
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that a first and second reading be given to the following By-laws:

By-law 1878-2015, being a By-law to fix salaries, wages and other employment matters to be paid to Council members, employees, various officers and servants of the municipality for the year 2015;

By-law 1883-2015, being a By-law respecting construction, demolition, change of use, conditional permits and inspections;

By-law 1884-2015, being a By-law to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim;

By-law 1886-2015, being a By-law to regulate signs and other advertising devices within the Township of Blandford-Blenheim;

By-law 1887-2015, being a By-law to provide for temporary borrowing from the Bank of Montreal.

By-law 1888-2015, being a By-law to restrict the weight of vehicles passing over four (4) individual bridge structures in the Township;

By-law 1889-2015, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

#### **RESOLUTION #17**

Moved by – Councillor Cowan

Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that a third and final reading be given to the following By-laws:

By-law 1878-2015, being a By-law to fix salaries, wages and other employment matters to be paid to Council members, employees, various officers and servants of the municipality for the year 2015;

By-law 1883-2015, being a By-law respecting construction, demolition, change of use, conditional permits and inspections;

By-law 1884-2015, being a By-law to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim;

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#### **14. Other**

Councillor Cowan asked what the next steps were with regards to the Oxford County Library/Museum issues in Princeton.

Mayor Wearn commented that Council had previously offered to mediate if there was any need.

#### **RESOLUTION #18**

Moved by – Councillor Cowan  
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that Council appoint the Mayor, Councillor Balzer and the CAO to mediate between the Library Board and Museum Board if required.  
.Carried

#### **15. Adjournment and Next Meeting**

#### **RESOLUTION #19**

Moved by – Councillor Cowan  
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Whereas business before Council has been completed at 5:10 p.m.;

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

.Carried

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Marion Wearn, Mayor  
Township of Blandford-Blenheim

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Fran Bell, Interim CAO / Clerk  
Township of Blandford-Blenheim