

MINUTES

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

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

Staff: Crandall, Harmer, Matheson, Mordue, Richardson, Williamson and Wood

Others: Gord Hough, Corporate Manager, Community & Strategic Planner, Oxford County

1. Welcome

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 agenda for the October 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 September 16, 2015 regular session 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 September 16, 2015 closed session of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #4

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that the minutes of the June 24, 2015 Police Service Board meeting be received.

.Carried

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

7. Delegations / Presentations

- a.** Brad Hammond and Perry Lang, Oxford Physician Recruitment Group, Re: Practice in Oxford

Brad Hammond and Perry Lang of the Oxford Physician Recruitment Group presented the Practice in Oxford Initiative asking Council for their support. Council directed staff to include information on the Township website and in the next newsletter.

- b.** Pete Stern, Re: Electricity Issue

Pete Stern and Rick Nicholls, MPP for Chatham-Kent-Essex, provided information regarding the negative impact electrical current from the grounding of hydro service has on livestock and human health. Mr. Stern and Mr. Nicholls requested Council pass a resolution in support of individuals against grounding electrical current into the earth.

- c.** Janet Elliot and George Corrin Re: Drumbo Splash Pad

Janet Elliot of Waterplay Solutions Group and George Corrin, President of the Drumbo Lions Club, presented a preliminary proposed design for a splash pad in Drumbo.

- d.** Shahab Shafai, Manager of Wastewater Services, Oxford County, Re: Princeton Wastewater

Rob Walton, Director of Public Works, and Shahab Shafai presented an update on the Princeton Wastewater Servicing Study.

e. Bev Beaton and Craig Van Wees, Re: Princeton Wastewater

Craig Van Wees and Bev Beaton provided comment on the information presented by Oxford County regarding Princeton Wastewater Servicing. Council passed the following resolution on the topic.

RESOLUTION #5

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that the Council of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim request that the County of Oxford include as an option in their Environmental Assessment (E.A.) for the Drumbo waste water system the alternative for Princeton as proposed by Dillon Consulting.

.Carried

8. Committee of Adjustment

RESOLUTION #6

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that Council move into the Committee of Adjustment at 6:25 p.m.

.Carried

These minutes can be found in the Committee of Adjustment meeting minutes of October 7, 2015.

RESOLUTION #9

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that Council move out of the Committee of Adjustment at 6:29 p.m.

.Carried

9. Correspondence

None.

10. Staff Reports

a. Gary Crandall – Director of Public Works

i. PW-15-25 – Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #10

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report PW-15-25 be received as information.

.Carried

ii. PW-15-23 – Sidewalk Snow Plowing Tender Results

RESOLUTION #11

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report PW-15-26 be received as information;

And further that Council not accept the single tender submitted for Sidewalk Snow Plowing Services that was received for a 3 year period.

And further that staff be authorized to proceed with plans to perform sidewalk snow clearing with Township staff and to arrange for the purchase of a sidewalk plowing machine. Purchase to be funded from the Public Works Building & Fleet Development Charges Reserve Fund and the Public Works Vehicle Equipment Reserve Fund.

.Carried

b. Jim Harmer – Drainage Superintendent

i. DS-15-12 – Monthly Report to Council

RESOLUTION #12

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report DS-15-12 be received as information.

.Carried

c. Ken Wood – Manager of Community Services

i. CS-15-29 – Community Active Recreation & Exercise Centre

RESOLUTION #13

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CS-15-29 is received as information;

And further, that Council supports the principals of developing the Plattsville Arena Lions Hall to accommodate a fitness centre and meeting room as well as developing a multi sports pad to be located on the arena floor during the summer months;

And further, that Council directs staff to develop a further business plan for the capital and operation of the Community Active Recreation & Exercise Centre to be presented as part of the department's budgeted development forecasts.

.Carried

ii. CS-15-30 – Splash Pad

RESOLUTION #14

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CS-15-30 is received as information;

And further, that Council appreciates and supports in principal the partnership between the Municipality and the Drumbo Lions Club to develop a community Splash Pad to be located in the Drumbo Park;

And further, that Council directs staff to form a Committee of Council consisting of the Mayor, a Member of Council, 3 Members of the Drumbo Lions Club, 2 Community at Large Members and the Manager of Community Services, to investigate, design, coordinate and implement the strategy for going forward with the intent of construction of such project upon final approval of Council;

And further, that Council directs staff to make application to any grant opportunities in order to secure funding for this project.

.Carried

iii. CS-15-31 – Monthly Report - September

RESOLUTION #15

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CS-15-31 be received as information.

.Carried

d. Denice Williamson – Director of Finance

i. TR-15-10 – Recommendation re: Use of 2014 Surplus

RESOLUTION #16

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that Report TR-15-10 be received as information;

And further that the 2014 surplus be allocated to the Tax Stabilization Reserve (\$41,924.31), Building Department – Vehicle Reserve (\$12,369.96), Community Centre Reserve (\$34,000.00) and the balance to the Parks & Recreation Reserve (\$24,392.22).

.Carried

11. Reports from Council Members

Councillor Banbury asked about the status of a generator. Staff informed that tenders closed and a report with recommendation is to be presented at the next meeting.

Councillor Peterson requested that consideration be given to installing a screen in Council Chambers for presentations and delegations.

12. Unfinished Business

None.

13. Motions and Notices of Motion

None.

14. New Business

None.

15. Closed Session

None.

16. By-laws

RESOLUTION #17

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

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

By-law 1929-2015, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #18

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

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

By-law 1929-2015, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

17. Other

18. Adjournment and Next Meeting

RESOLUTION #19

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Whereas business before Council has been completed at 8:17 p.m.;

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

.Carried

Marion Wearn, Mayor
Township of Blandford-Blenheim

Rodger Mordue CAO / Clerk
Township of Blandford-Blenheim