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ASHFIELD - COLBORNE - WAWANOSH

**Council Minutes**  
**February 1, 2011**

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Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Council met in regular session on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2011, at 7:30 pm in the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Council Chambers.

Council Present

Deputy-Reeve	Neil Rintoul
Councillors	Connie Black
	Murray Curran
	Doug Miller
	Barry Millian
	Roger Watt

Council Absent

Reeve	Ben Van Diepenbeek
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Staff Present

Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer	Mark Becker
Public Works Superintendent	Brian Van Osch
Deputy-Clerk	Linda Andrew

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephen Burns, Denny Scott, Dominique Milburn, Lynne Harris, Mark Harris, Gideon Forman, Amy Miller, Ross Brindley, Anita Frayne, Laurie Cox, Paul Bollinger, Marianne Bollinger, Shaun Drennan, Trish Drennan, Jeremy Drennan, Terry Zinn, Bill Hayden, Harry Kerr, Chris MacClennan, Fred Phillips, Mike Frankin Guy, Lawrence Hogan, Sebastian Kraft, Udo Kraft, Doug Scott, Steven Scott, Steven Howard, Dan Hayden, Ben Miltenburg, Don Miltenburg, Mike Snobelen, Shaun Dalton, Steve Adams, Greg Bowman, Terry Dalton, Bob Budd, Paul Frayne, Francis Hogan, Bob Hallam, Ken Hoeper, Karl Ellis, and Jan McKague.

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

In the absence of Reeve Ben Van Diepenbeek, Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul will call the meeting to order.

**2.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul and Councillor Murray Curran – Section 4.5 (Wind Turbines)

**3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by	Black
Seconded by	Curran

ADOPT	THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council hereby adopts the
COUNCIL	January 18, 2011 Council Meeting Minutes and the "In-Camera" Meeting
MINUTES	Minutes as written.

Carried.

**4.0 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**4.1** 7:45 pm – Karl Ellis and Jan McKague / Listowel Wingham Hospital Alliance

Karl Ellis, CEO, and Jan McKague, Recruitment Officer, addressed Council on current local health care issues, physicians, and other health care professional recruitments.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ACTION: None.

## 4.2 8:00 pm – Stephen Burns / B.M. Ross &amp; Associates Ltd.

As Council may recall B.M. Ross & Associates offered Council with orientation and information sessions to assist in their knowledge of municipal procedures and regulations. As Council may recall they reviewed with Council most of the items with them on January 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Burns made a brief presentation in regards to water supply, storage, distribution facilities, regulations, current and future issues or constraints with respect to municipal water.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ACTION: Noted.

## 4.3 8:15 pm - Stephen Burns / B.M. Ross &amp; Associates Ltd. – OSWAP-3 Application

We have invited Stephen Burns to discuss verbally the opportunity to repair a section of water main in the lower Salford area, which has been giving us some problems over the past few years. OSWAP-3 will provide capital funding so small communities can improve water conservation and efficiency in their water systems, by fixing for example, leaking pipes, and installing water meters. Municipalities that own residential drinking water systems servicing 5,000 and fewer residents will be eligible to apply for funding. The program will result in an investment based on a cost-sharing formula of two-thirds provincial funding and one-third municipal funding. Applications are due February 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Burns discussed the situation and the funding opportunity with Council.

STAFF COMMENTS: We seek your direction.

ACTION: Council agreed to have B.M. Ross & Associates make an application by the February 15<sup>th</sup> deadline for the proposed water main replacement in lower Salford.

## 4.4 8:30 pm – Lynne Harris / MacKenzie Camp Road Drainage Issues

We have provided Council with a copy of the correspondence received from Ms. Harris in regards to the above noted item. We have also provided Council with a copy of the letter received from our Drainage Superintendent Jeff Dickson as well. Ms. Harris addressed Council in this regard.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ACTION: Council agreed that if Ms. Harris wishes to proceed with the drainage works, that she must submit a petition for a municipal drain to the municipal office, which will be approved by Council for the proposed works.

Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul, and Councillor Murray Curran declared a conflict of interest and stepped away from the Council Table. Councillor Barry Millian chaired this portion of the meeting.

## 4.5 8:45 pm – Gideon Forman / Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment

We have provided Council with a copy of the presentation "Why Doctors Support Wind Power" as prepared by the above noted association. Mr. Forman addressed Council in this regard. An answer question period with Council and the floor followed.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ACTION: Noted.

Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul, and Councillor Murray Curran, returned to the Council Table. Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul returned to the chair of the meeting.

5.0 **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

No items scheduled.

**6.0 REPORTS OF STAFF AND COMMITTEES**

**6.1 Water Department**

6.1.1 Water Operations & Maintenance Report – December 2010

We have provided Council with a copy of the monthly report prepared by Veolia Water Canada in regards to the operation and maintenance of our water systems for December 2010.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

**6.2 Building Department**

6.2.1 Chief Building Official's Report

We have provided you with a copy of Mr. Livingston's report. Mr. Livingston will not be present this evening.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

6.2.2 Building Permit Regulations – Amendments

We have provided Council with a copy of the notice which will be placed in our Township newsletter next month of changes to the building department which has been implemented province wide.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

**6.3 Cemetery Department**

No items scheduled.

**6.4 Drainage Department**

No items scheduled.

**6.5 Administration Department**

6.5.1 Lucknow & District Joint Recreation Board Agreement - Amendment

At our last Lucknow & District Joint Recreation Board meeting, the Board agreed to amend the existing agreement to remove the following phrase in the agreement: "a person shall not be appointed or reappointed to the board for more than eight years without an intervening absence of at least one year". We have provided Council with a copy of the new revised agreement reflecting the Board's direction. Council will need to adopt the agreement by by-law and staff will then send the agreement onto the Township of Huron-Kinloss for adoption as well.

STAFF COMMENTS: That Council adopts the agreement by by-law in Section 14.

ACTION: Council agreed to amend the agreement and adopt by by-law in Section 14.

6.5.2 By-Law Enforcement Officers Report

We have provided Council with a copy of the report prepared by Bruce Brockelbank By-Law Enforcement Officer.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

### 6.5.3 Animal Control Officer Report – 2010

We have provided Council with a copy of the above report prepared by Robert Trick, Animal Control Officer.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

### 6.5.4 Council Meeting Date – Change

As Council is aware, the OGRA / ROMA Conference is being held from February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our regular meetings in March are scheduled for March 1<sup>st</sup> and March 15<sup>th</sup>. We will need to bump both meetings one week so they are now March 8<sup>th</sup> and March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Staff will advertise the change of dates in the local papers and the website once these dates draw near.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Council agreed with staff comments above and to reschedule the March 2011 meetings.

### 6.5.5 Minister's Meeting Request – OGRA/ROMA 2011

It has been brought to our attention by our Engineer's that we should request a possible meeting with the Minister of the Environment during the upcoming OGRA/ROMA Conference to discuss the London Road Corridor Storm Water Drainage Improvements. More specifically the Part II Order requests to the Ministry of the Environment in response to the Notice of Study Completion. As a result of the discussion with Reeve Van Diepenbeek, staff proceeded to do the on-line request before the deadline of January 27<sup>th</sup> requesting our delegation of those members of council and staff that are attending the conference to meet with the Minister of the Environment in this regard.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted.

### 6.5.6 Auburn Fire Coverage

As a follow-up from our last meeting, Council instructed staff to bring back the original proposal that was originally brought forth from North Huron, and also their proposal to take on a larger area as they also proposed. We have provided Council with a copy of these proposals. As Council may recall North Huron (Blyth Fire) looked after an area, but increased our costs considerably. Council hired Central Huron (Clinton Fire) to cover the Auburn area north to the County of Huron Public Works Shed. The balance of the area that Blyth Fire covered went back to the Lucknow Fire Department. The total costs to change this was \$ 4,242.34.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ACTION: Council agreed to have staff contact North Huron to see if the existing agreement still stands in regards to fire coverage. Council agreed that perhaps we could extend the area slightly according to the map provided by North Huron.

### 6.5.7 Property Standards By-Law (Agriculture Lands) - Update

As requested by Councillor Barry Millian, the above noted item has been placed on the agenda for discussion. Council passed By-Law 30-2009, on June 16, 2009, being a by-law to prescribe and enforce standards for maintenance of property within the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, excluding agriculturally zoned lands. At that time Council agreed to exclude agriculturally zoned lands, and perhaps look at creating a separate Property Standards By-Law for the agriculture zoned lands. Council met with five members from the agriculture community on February 3, 2010, to help create a by-law as suggested. They started out with the original by-law 30-2009 and made changes to it throughout the course of the meeting. We have provided Council with a copy of the by-law with the noted changes. For Council's information, all rural municipalities in Huron County have one Property Standards By-Law which applies to the entire municipality. All these municipalities have indicated that very few complaints are received about the agricultural areas within the municipality.

Bob Hallam, Fred Phillips, and Chris MacClennan explained to Council that they wish to review the new revised by-law prior to Council's consideration for adoption.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

ACTION: Council agreed to provide a copy to the five members from the public with the revised by-law for review by Fred Phillips, Chris MacClennan, Bob Hallam, Marinus Bakker, and Jack Wilkins. They will provide their comments back to Council to review.

## **6.6 Public Works Department**

### **6.6.1 Public Works Activity Report**

We have provided Council with a copy of the report prepared by Public Works Superintendent Brian Van Osch.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

## **6.7 Environmental Services**

No items scheduled.

## **6.8 Committee Reports**

No reports.

## **7.0 OPEN FORUM**

Terry Zinn wanted clarification on the proposed Septic Re-inspection Program.

Chris MacClennan expressed his concerns with the Septic Re-inspection Program and supports Council's position on research on Wind Turbines.

Lawrence Hogan spoke briefly on Wind Turbines.

Shaun Drennan spoke briefly on Wind Turbines.

## **8.0 NEW BUSINESS**

No items scheduled.

## **9.0 CORRESPONDENCE COPIED FOR WHICH THE DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS REQUIRED**

No items scheduled.

## **10.0 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND COPIED FOR WHICH THE DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS NOT REQUIRED**

- 10.1 Ministry of the Environment - Clean Water Act Status Update
- 10.2 Municipality of North Perth Resolution – Supports Moratorium on Wind Turbines
- 10.3 Lucknow & District Joint Recreation Board – Minutes
- 10.4 Ministry of the Environment – Proposed Amendments to Engineers Class EA
- 10.5 Maitland Valley Conservation Authority – Director's Attendance for 2010
- 10.6 Huron County Farm & Home Safety – Minutes and Financials
- 10.7 Mid-Huron Landfill Site Board – Minutes
- 10.8 COPA Flight 45 Invite – Mid Winter Social

## **11.0 CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ON COUNCIL TABLE**

No items scheduled.

## **12.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No items scheduled.

## **13.0 IN-CAMERA SESSION**

No items scheduled.

**14.0 BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS**

14.1 Lucknow & District Joint Recreation Board Agreement By-Law

Moved by Watt  
Seconded by Millian

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T BY-LAW

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law #10-2011 being a by-law to authorize a certain agreement between the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh and the Township of Huron-Kinloss, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2011.

Carried.

14.2 Confirmation By-Law

Moved by Black  
Seconded by Miller

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THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law #11-2011 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh meeting held on February 1, 2011, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2011.

Carried.

**15.0 ADJOURN**

Moved by Watt  
Seconded by Curran

ADJOURN #4

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council does now adjourn to meet again on February 15, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. or at the Call of the Reeve.

Carried.

  
Reeve, Ben Van Diepenbeek

  
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer, Mark Becker