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ASHFIELD - COLBORNE - WAWANOSH

Council Minutes
January 19, 2010

Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Council met in regular session on the 19th day of January 2010, at 7:30 pm in the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Council Chambers.

Council Present

Deputy-Reeve	Neil Rintoul
Councillors	Connie Black
	Doug Miller
	Barry Millian
	Marilyn Miltenburg
	Carl Sloetjes

Council Absent

Reeve	Ben Van Diepenbeek
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Staff Present

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Barry Jones, Ross Hymers, Armond Forgett, Mary Ellen MacKenzie, Kevin Cook, Gys Geene, Chris MacLennan, Dan MacLennan, Ken Bos, Fred Wyga, and Diane Wyga.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of Reeve Ben Van Diepenbeek, Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul will chair the meeting this evening.

2.0 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Marilyn Miltenburg – Section 5.1

3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by	Miltenburg
Seconded by	Miller

ADOPT COUNCIL MINUTES	#1	THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council hereby adopts the January 5, 2010 Council Meeting Minutes and the "In-Camera" Meeting Minutes as written.
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Carried.
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4.0 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

No items scheduled.

5.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

5.1 Payment of Current Accounts as Presented

Moved by	Black
Seconded by	Millian

APPROVE ACCOUNTS	#2	THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council hereby authorizes the payment of the January 2010 accounts as presented.
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Carried.
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5.1(a) Payment to Ashfield Service Centre

Moved by Millian
Seconded by Sloetjes

ASHFIELD SERVICE CENTRE #3

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council hereby authorizes the payment of \$ 1,272.88 to Ashfield Service Centre.

Carried.
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5.2 Payment of Previous Month Actual Accounts

Moved by Miltenburg
Seconded by Black

APPROVE ACTUAL PAYMENTS #4

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council hereby approves the payment of the December 2009 accounts in the amount of \$ 1,837,829.68.

Carried.
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5.3 Summary Revenue/Expenditure Reports

Reports for the Township, Lucknow & District Fire Department, Lucknow & District Medical Centre, and Lucknow & District Recreation from January to December 2009.

Moved by Sloetjes
Seconded by Miltenburg

REVENUE EXPENDITURE REPORT #5

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council adopts the summary revenue/expenditure reports of the Treasurer as written.

Carried.

6.0 REPORTS OF STAFF AND COMMITTEES

6.1 Water Department

No items scheduled.

6.2 Building Department

6.2.1 Chief Building Officials Year End Building Report - 2009

We have provided Council with a copy of Mr. Livingston's year-end report on building permits issued for 2009. Mr. Livingston will not be present this evening.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

6.3 Cemetery Department

No items scheduled.

6.4 Drainage Department

6.4.1 Tile Drain Loan Application – Van Oenen Farms Inc.

We have received two applications for a Tile Drain Loan for Van Oenen Farms Inc. at Lot 5, Concession 2 Eastern Division, and North Part Lot 6, Concession 2 Eastern Division, Ashfield Ward, in the total amount of \$ 89,600.

STAFF COMMENTS: That we accept the applications as pass the following resolution.

ACTION: Council agreed to accept the two applications as presented and adopt the following resolution.

Moved by Millian
Seconded by Black

ACCEPT
TILE DRAIN
LOAN
APPLICATION #6
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THAT we accept the two Tile Drain Loan applications for Van Oenen Farms Inc., totaling \$89,600, with \$50,000 to be allocated to the landowner in 2010 and the remaining \$39,600 in 2011, for Lot 5, Concession 2 Eastern Division, and North Part Lot 6, Concession 2 Eastern Division, Ashfield Ward. This is subject to the availability of funds at the time from the Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

Carried.

6.5 Administration Department

6.5.1 Year End Summary – Council Members Remuneration Report

We have provided you with a report as of the year-end Council Members Remuneration report for 2009.

STAFF COMMENTS: For information purposes.

ACTION: Noted and filed.

6.5.2 Landfill Attendant - Appointment

The committee struck to interview the successful applicants completed their interviews on January 14th. The committee has agreed to appoint Eric Miller to the position. The committee also agreed to appoint Deborah Berry as the alternate when either of the other two Landfill Attendant's is unable to work.

STAFF COMMENTS: That we appoint Eric Miller and Deborah Berry by by-law in Section 14.

ACTION: Council agreed to appoint these two individuals by by-law in Section 14.

6.5.3 By-Law Enforcement Officer – Update

We have provided Council with a draft by-law, which appoints the new by-law enforcement officer as our Municipal Law Enforcement Officer. We do have an agreement with Keppel Creek to provide services, but this by-law actually appoints him as the officer.

STAFF COMMENTS: That we proceed and adopt the by-law as presented in Section 14.

ACTION: Council agreed to appoint Bruce Brockelbank as the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer by by-law in Section 14.

6.5.4 Property Standards By-Law – Fees

It was suggested by Keppel Creek (By-Law Enforcement Officer) that we consider charging the following:

- Administration fee of \$75 plus mileage imposed to the owner for attending an inspection return after the compliance date has passed. This would help to ensure that the owner is going to comply and remain complied.
- Full recovery of costs for contractors, police, agency, or equipment for property cleanup.
- Property Standards Appeal fee of \$100 for those with orders to comply.

STAFF COMMENTS: We seek your direction.

ACTION: Council agreed to support the above along with one addition. The addition would be that the \$100 fee be refunded if the appeal is successful. Staff will bring back a by-law amendment.

6.5.5 Property Standards By-Law (Agriculture Lands) – Update

Council agreed that they would appoint a committee and meet in the fall/winter and discuss the possibility of creating a Property Standards By-Law for Agricultural Lands only. Bob Hallam inquired to see if Council were still interested in proceeding. He indicated that if we had no complaints about agricultural properties that perhaps we do not need to create a by-law. Staff indicated to him that most/or all of the complaints are from hamlet areas.

STAFF COMMENTS: We seek your direction.

ACTION: Council agreed to proceed with the committee meeting. The date will be Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 7:30 pm. Those attending will be Council, Clerk, By-Law Enforcement Officer, and those appointed from the public being, Wayne Black, Jack Wilkins, Chris MacLennan, Fred Phillips, and Bob Hallam.

6.5.6 Amberley General Store - Request

We have provided Council with a copy of their letter requesting approval for them to be open to sell out of their LCBO store on statutory holidays. We have granted them approval in the past for these days.

STAFF COMMENTS: That Council approves the Amberley General Store to be open on the 2010 statutory holidays as indicated.

ACTION: Council approved the opening of the Amberley General Store during the noted 2010 statutory holidays.

6.6 Public Works Department

6.6.1 London Road Improvements - Update

Staff was asked to find out what obligations do we have to some of the areas that want to proceed with developing, if Council agrees not to proceed with the proposed works once the Class EA Process is completed. The Township has no obligations to the owners on Anne Street. The owners have the option of signing a development agreement addressing lot grading and a drainage plan conditional upon the approval of the Township, and the H Zone could then be lifted and they could proceed.

STAFF COMMENTS: For your information purposes.

ACTION: Noted. Council requested that staff prepare a report indicating the location of all new home building permits issued in the past few years, to assist Council in regards to making a decision in regards to the need for the London Road Improvements.

6.6.2 Laurier Line Bridge – Update

We have provided Council with a copy of the letter received from B.M. Ross & Associates in regards to the Laurier Line Bridge, which is self-explanatory.

STAFF COMMENTS: That we defer this item to our budget deliberations.

Deputy-Reeve Rintoul opened the floor for comments from the public.

Chris MacLennan and Kevin Cook expressed their concerns with this bridge and indicated that more research needs to be considered before any decisions are made in this regard.

ACTION: Council agreed that staff contact the engineers and indicate that more research needs to be considered before Council can make any decisions in regards to this bridge. A follow-up report will come back to Council, and this item will also be deferred to our budget deliberations.

6.6.3 Bridge No. 12 on Eighteen Mile Line

We have provided Council with a copy of the letter received from B.M. Ross & Associates in regards to the bridge on Eighteen Mile Line, which is self-explanatory.

STAFF COMMENTS: That we defer this item to our budget deliberations.

ACTION: Council agreed to defer this item to our budget deliberations.

6.7 Environmental Services

No items scheduled.

6.8 Committee Reports

Councillor Connie Black reported on C.H.I.P.

Councillor Carl Sloetjes reported on the Lucknow & District Joint Fire Board.

7.0 OPEN FORUM

Kevin Cook questioned the Eighteen Mile Line Bridge.

Chris MacLennan questioned the Property Standards By-Law.

8.0 NEW BUSINESS**8.1 Carol Mitchell Appointment – Minister of Agriculture**

ACTION: Staff will send a congratulations to Carol Mitchell in regards to her new appointment.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE COPIED FOR WHICH THE DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS REQUIRED**9.1 Lucknow Agricultural Society – Donation to Lucknow Fall Fair**

ACTION: Council agreed to donate \$400 towards the Fall Fair for 2010.

9.2 John Hazlitt / John Turner Letter – Archives to Donate to Museum

ACTION: Council agreed to donate the archives to the Museum.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND COPIED FOR WHICH THE DIRECTION OF COUNCIL IS NOT REQUIRED**10.1 Huron County Farm & Home Safety Association – Minutes and Budget**

ACTION: Council agreed to donate \$200 towards the association for 2010. Staff will invite Merv Bauer to a future Council meeting.

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 Landfill Attendent Appointment By-Law**

Moved by Millian
Seconded by Miltenburg

APPOINT
LANDFILL
ATTENDENT
BY-LAW #7

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law #08-2010 being a by-law to establish the position and to appoint the position of Landfill Attendant, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of January 2010.

Carried.

14.2 Municipal Law Enforcement Appointment By-Law

Moved by Miller
Seconded by Black

BY-LAW
ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER APPT BY-LAW
#8

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law #07-2010 being a by-law to appoint a municipal law enforcement officer for the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of January 2010.

Carried.
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14.3 Confirmation By-Law

Moved by Sloetjes
Seconded by Millian

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW
#9

THAT leave be given to introduce By-Law #06-2010 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh meeting held on January 19, 2010, and that it now be read severally a first, second, and third time, and finally passed this 19th day of January 2010.

Carried.
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15.0 ADJOURN


Moved by Miltenburg
Seconded by Sloetjes

ADJOURN #10

THAT Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township Council does now adjourn to meet again on February 2, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. or at the Call of the Reeve.

Carried.
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Deputy-Reeve Neil Rintoul


Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer, Mark Becker