

THE NINTH MEETING
March 9, 2011

A regular meeting of Council was held in Council Chambers commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Present

Council: Mayor Bryan McGillis
Deputy Mayor Tammy Hart
Councillors Barry Brownlee, Richard Waldroff and Cindy Woods

Staff: Hilton Cryderman
Johanna Barkley
Dan Pilon
Roger Desjardins
Loriann Harbers

Call to Order/Opening Remarks

The Lord's Prayer was recited.

Confirmation of Agenda

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - nil

Approval of Minutes

Resolution No. 052/2011 - Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Brownlee, Seconded by Councillor Waldroff

Be it resolved that the minutes of February 16 and 23, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

Committee / Departmental Reports

Ontario Provincial Police

Sergeant Mulhearn provided Council with an overview of the work of the OPP and summarized items in the Police Services Board Report, as circulated. Discussion included calls for services, personnel updates and the traffic management plan. The OPP are making traffic violations, such as not wearing a seatbelt, a priority in 2011.

Council was advised that Stephanie Patterson has accepted the post of Staff Sergeant and that the Long Sault Detachment has the number one auxiliary unit in the province with regards to community participation.

Fire & Rescue - Roger Desjardins

Reports received and filed.

Chief Desjardins provided an overview of the number and types of calls in the month of February. Discussion included training that is offered through the Fire Marshall's office and the number of firefighters taking advantage of this opportunity.

Council was advised that meetings are taking place with regards to communications and dispatch between the Townships of South Dundas, South Stormont, South Glengarry and the City of Cornwall. Costs will be presented as part of the 2011 budget deliberations.

Finance - Johanna Barkley
Report received and filed.

Mrs. Barkley advised that tax bills have been mailed and are due March 31, 2011. The number of residents participating with in the pre-authorized payment plan program is increasing each year.

Further discussion included the forthcoming auditor's report and how South Stormont compares with neighbouring municipalities.

Resolution No. 053/2011 - Accounts

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hart, Seconded by Councillor Brownlee

Be it resolved that Council accepts the Accounts Approval Report dated March 4, 2011, in the amount of \$459,888.83.

Carried.

Public Works Operations - Dan Pilon
Report received and filed.

Phil Whelan, McIntosh Perry Consulting: Road Report

Mr. Phil Whelan was in attendance and provided an overview of the Technical Review of the Township's Road Management Study 2007-2011.

The scope of the report included:

1. Complete a life cycle cost analysis of the different road structures within the municipal rural road system, utilizing municipal maintenance and capital costs, and
2. Develop criteria for the selection of rural road surface type (gravel, surface treatment or asphalt).

Mr. Whelan reviewed outside contributors to consider when determining upgrade schedules. These include the type of traffic, the location of the roadways and development type.

Council members discussed alternate materials for road re-surfacing. Due to our location and the low quantity required, the cost would be prohibitive for most of these alternatives. On behalf of Council, Mayor McGillis expressed thanks for the presentation and advised that the next step will be a road management plan for the next 5 years.

Resolution No. 054/2011 - Accept Technical Review Road Report

Moved by Councillor Brownlee, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that Council adopt the Technical Review of Road Management Study 2007-2011 Report prepared by McIntosh Perry Consulting, dated February 24, 2011.

Carried.

Mr. Pilon provided an overview of Public Works activities in the month of February. Discussion included winter maintenance, the 20-year lease agreement with the Upper Canada District School Board for the Lancer Centre and Equipment Rental Quotation submissions.

Resolution No. 055/2011 - Purchase of Floor Scrubber

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Brownlee

Be it resolved that Council accepts and approves the recommendation presented in Public Works Department Report No. PW-04-2011 regarding the purchase of a new floor scrubber for the Town Hall, South Stormont Community Hall and the Long Sault Arena.

Carried.

Resolution No. 056/2011 – Purchase of Portable Stage

Moved by Councillor Brownlee, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hart

Be it resolved that Council accepts and approves the recommendation presented in Public Works Department Report No. PW-05-2011 regarding the purchase of a new portable stage for the Community Hall and other indoor venues as required.

Carried.

Council was advised that total costs for the construction of the Town Hall and the financing of the project will be presented as part of the 2011 budget deliberations.

Resolution No. 057/2011 – Heritage Signage

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that Council accepts and approves the recommendation presented in Public Works Department Report No. PW-06-2011 with regards to signage to commemorate the Battle of Hoople Creek.

Carried.

Following discussion concerning the sign commemorating the "Battle of Hoople Creek", Council agreed that information explaining the historic event be published and provided to local schools and available through the Township Tourist booth in summer months. Mr. Shearing will be asked for his input in this regard.

Building/Development – Hilton Cryderman

Report received and filed.

Council reviewed building permit statistics for the month of February. Mr. Cryderman provided Council with an update on the progress of the comprehensive zoning by-law and advised that an open house may be scheduled by the end of April. Council agreed to schedule a meeting date to review the first draft of the comprehensive zoning by-law.

Resolution No. 058/2011 – Consent Application Nos. B-22/10, B-2/11

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hart, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that Council approves the granting of Consent Application Nos. B-22/10 and B-2/11 (Estate of Lorena Cameron) with the following conditions:

1. that the applicant pay to the Township of South Stormont cash-in-lieu of parkland equal to 3% of the value of the severed property based on assessed vacant land value (minimum \$150.00 as per By-Law No. 2010-39).
2. that unless previously granted, the required land be dedicated to the township for road widening purposes to a maximum width of sixty-six feet and provide documents to the satisfaction of the Township Public Works Manager, for future consideration.

Carried.

Resolution No. 059/2011 – Consent Application No. B-3/11

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Brownlee

Be it resolved that Council approves the granting of Consent Application No. B-3/2011 (John Cameron) with the condition that the applicant pay to the Township of South Stormont cash-in-lieu of parkland equal to 3% of the value of the severed property based on assessed vacant land value (minimum \$150.00 as per By-Law No. 2010-39).

Carried.

Mr. Cryderman circulated a revised report for Consent Application No. B-10/2011 to address concerns with regards to frontage.

Resolution No. 060/2011 – Consent Application No. B-10/11

Moved by Councillor Woods, Seconded by Councillor Waldroff

Be it resolved that Council approves the granting of Consent Application No. B-10/2011 (Wereley) with the following conditions:

1. that the applicant pay to the Township of South Stormont cash-in-lieu of parkland equal to 3% of the value of the severed property based on assessed vacant land value (minimum \$150.00 as per By-Law No. 2010-39).
2. that unless previously granted, the required land be dedicated to the township for road widening purposes to a maximum width of sixty-six feet and provide documents to the satisfaction of the Township Public Works Manager, for future consideration.
3. that the setback requirements of Zoning By-Law No. 79-44 are maintained.
4. that a Minor Variance regarding lot frontage for Agricultural use be obtained.

Carried.

Administration – Loriann Harbers

Report received and filed.

Discussion included support for income tax benefits for volunteer firefighters. Council was advised that as an initiative to promote tap water, water bottles will be purchased and distributed at the South Stormont Home and Trade Show in April. Additionally, Caneau Water and Sewage Operations have agreed to contribute \$400 towards this promotion.

Council was advised that the free access landfill passes are now available for 2011.

Motions/Discussion

By-Laws

Resolution No. 061/2011 – By-laws

Moved by Councillor Woods, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hart

Be it resolved that the following by-laws be read and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 9th day of March, 2011:

- 2011-015 A By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council (February)
2011-016 A By-Law to Authorize the Sale of Land (Pt. Blk G, Plan 279)

Carried.

New Business

Council requested that agendas be circulated and posted on the website as soon as they are available, prior to the regular meeting.

Closed Session – nil

Adjournment

Resolution No. 062/2011 - Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that Council adjourn this regular meeting of Council at 8:40 p.m. and return to the call of the chair.

Carried.

Original signed by Bryan McGillis

Mayor

Original signed by Betty de Haan

Clerk