

THE TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

September 28, 2011

A regular meeting of Council was held at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

Present

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

Staff: Hilton Cryderman
Dan Pilon
Betty de Haan
Ross Gellately
Kevin Amelotte
Kandie Williams

Call to Order/Opening Remarks

The Lord's Prayer was recited.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - Deputy Mayor Hart declared a potential conflict with regards to payment received for use of family owned property.

Confirmation of Agenda

Petitions and Delegations

British Home Child Day

On June 1st, 2011, MPP Jim Brownell's Private Members' Bill, Bill 185- An Act to Proclaim British Home Child Day, received Royal Assent. As a result, events and celebrations have been organized to recognize September 28, 2011 as British Home Child Day. In summary, between 1869 and the late 1940's, child immigrants were relocated to British Commonwealth Countries, one of them being Canada. In the years to come, these children became historic contributors to Canada, bringing a great sense of value, work ethics and success which built upon the foundation and growth of Canada and the Province of Ontario.

Deputy Mayor Hart and Councillor Waldroff attended some of the British Home Child Day festivities held at Upper Canada Village including the unveiling of the plaque; both commended the organizing committee.

Mayor McGillis thanked Mr. and Mrs. John Milnes for donating the Union Jack to the Township. Council will discuss the placement / home for this flag.

Drinking Water Source Water Protection

Ms. Karen Cooper was present from the RRCA/SNCA to speak to Council about drinking water source protection. Mr. Claude Cousineau, Chair of the Source Water Protection Committee, and Mr. Lawrence Levere, SNC Chairman, were also in attendance.

A power point presentation updated members of Council as to work done to date along with information towards the next phase and its implementation. Ms. Cooper remarked that source water protection is important - it saves money and makes sense. She went on to explain source protection plans, i.e. identifying risks to drinking water and gave a brief overview of source water protection specifically within the Township of South Stormont.

Sewage System Inspection Program

Ms. Josee Brizard and Ms. Monique Sauve from the South Nation Conservation (SNC) Authority were present to speak about continuity of service for sewage system inspection program. The Board of Health of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU) recently announced that effective January 1, 20102, they will be withdrawing from the provision of Part VIII activities, i.e. sewage system inspection program. SNC has delivered this inspection program for the EOHU, and therefore wish to continue.

The SNC is proposing to continue this service directly with municipalities. It will be at no cost the municipality, but rather, will be a user fee paid directly by the homeowner. They are proposing a \$650 application fee which would include four inspections and follow-up should there be a complaint of some kind. If municipalities choose to administer this service themselves, it will cost money, i.e. staff training.

Ms. Sauve explained the services SNC has been providing, i.e. new construction, renovation or change, review, enforcement, etc. They are hoping for a seamless transition, complete with the merging of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit data base and public notification.

CAO/Clerk Betty de Haan indicated that a meeting with the Counties and the sic (6) lower tier townships is taking place and therefore a consensus within SDG would be gathered regarding inspection delivery. It was suggested that a one (1) year agreement may be recommended. CBO Hilton Cryderman expressed an interest in Township CBO's forming a sub-committee for purposes of review (process, costs, etc.) along with other issues and suggestions that may arise.

Louis Bray Construction - Request for Additional Tonnage

Messrs. Michael Bray and Andre Brunet were in attendance from Louis Bray Construction requesting an increase in tonnage from 250,000 to 1,000,000 tonnes. Mr. Bray explained that they had been unable to bid on some large jobs because they would have been over their quota.

Mr. Bray stated that following Council's approval, they will apply to the Ministry of Natural Resources for the increase.

Resolution 243/2011- Louis Bray Construction - Tonnage Increase

Moved by Councillor Brownlee, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hart

Be it resolved that Council supports the request from Louis Bray Construction to the Ministry of Natural Resources to increase their tonnage extraction limit from 250,000 tonnes to 1,000,000 tonnes at the Richmond Drive quarry site, located in Part of Lot 24, Concession 4, geographic Township of Cornwall, Township of South Stormont.

Carried.

Roads Needs Study - McIntosh Perry Consulting Engineers

Mr. Phil Whelan from McIntosh Perry was in attendance to present Council with the 2011 Roads Needs Study. The goal of the needs study is to assess the entire road system, rate each road, to then provide a long term plan.

He went on to discuss life cycles, forecasting, average condition rating, system condition, surface type standards for rural roads, suitability of surface type, benchmark costs, etc. Mr. Whelan indicated that this report is a benchmark and, Council has the ultimate decision on the roads that would take precedence. He also reviewed the five year capital program for road reconstruction.

Resolution No. 244/2011 – Accept Road Needs Report

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Brownlee

Be it resolved that Council accepts the Road Needs Report prepared by McIntosh Perry Consulting Engineers Ltd. dated September 22, 2011.

Carried.

Correspondence - August 12 to September 22, 2011

Motions including Authorization of Accounts

Resolution No. 245/2011 - Approval of Accounts

Moved by Councillor Brownlee, Seconded by Councillor Waldroff

Be it resolved that Council accepts the Accounts Approval Report dated September 23, 2011, in the amount of \$4,423,596.75.

Carried.

Resolution No. 246/2011 - Water Line on County Road 44

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Whereas Cornwall Gravel, owner of the proposed Charles Road subdivision, is undertaking construction on County Road 44;

And Whereas the Township of South Stormont desires to have excavation work completed in conjunction with this road construction to allow for future water main extension in this area;

And Whereas, as ratepayers connect to the system, the costs will be recuperated.

Now therefore be it resolved that Council authorizes the work in the amount of \$8,750 plus applicable taxes, and furthermore, that the funds for this project be taken from the Eamers Corners Water Reserves.

Carried.

Resolution No. 247/2011 - Friendly Circle Seniors Club

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hart, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that Council accepts and approves the recommendation presented in Public Works Department Report No. PW-27-2011 with regards to the Friendly Circle Seniors Club Facility Rental Rate for 2011.

Carried.

Resolution No. 248/2011 – Rental Rates for Community Hall

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-28-2011 with regards to the United Counties (SDG) Social Committee request for a reduction in the rental rate for the South Stormont Community Hall.

Carried.

A similar request for December 2011 will also receive the benefit of Social Committee status, thus the reduced rate. Concerns were expressed with regards to authorizing reductions and further, the system needs to be fair for everyone. Staff confirmed that on an annual basis Fees and Charges are reviewed, approved by Council and these items will be re-visited again in 2012.

Resolution No. 249/2011 – Drinking Water Quality Management System Endorsement

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-29-2011 with regard to the Drinking Water Quality Management System Endorsement.

Carried.

Resolution No. 250/2011 – Ontario Federation of Independent Towers

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that Council supports the position of the Ontario Federation of Independent Towers concerning the transfer of authority of vehicle impoundments from the Ministry of Transportation to the OPP and the changes it proposes.

Carried.

Resolution No. 251/2011 – Child Abuse Prevention Month

Moved by Councillor Brownlee, Seconded by Councillor Waldroff

Whereas the Children's Aid Society of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry is mandated to protect children from abuse and neglect, the Society invites all citizens to join in a collective effort to protect our children;

And whereas child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community;

And whereas the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities and need to be addressed by the entire community;

And whereas effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community;

And whereas all citizens should become more aware of the negative effects of child abuse and its prevention within the community and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council proclaims October, 2011 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the Township of South Stormont and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the community in which we live.

Carried.

Discussion

Upper Tier Update

The monthly Newsletter has been received; Mayor Bryan McGillis commented on the five (5) year agreement regarding the OPP.

By-Laws

Resolution No. 252/2011 - Approval of By-Laws

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hart, Seconded by Councillor Woods

Be it resolved that the following by-laws be read and passed in open Council, signed and sealed this 28th day of September, 2011:

2011-073 A By-law to Impose Special Annual Drainage Rates (Marlatt)

2011-079 A By-law to Dedicate Land for Highway, Plan 359

Resolution No. 252/2011 - Approval of By-Laws continued

2011-080 A By-law to Enter into an Agreement with Cornwall Gravel Company (Hot Mix Asphalt)

2011-082 A By-law to Repeal By-law No. 23-2000 and to Regulate Parking

Carried.

New Business

Council discussed signage for Hoople Creek. CAO Betty de Haan indicated that currently staff is working with Rothwell-Osnabruck School to schedule the sign presentation and unveiling, recognizing the history, in conjunction with Local Government Week; date to be confirmed.

Closed Session

Council proceeded in a closed meeting in order to address a matter pertaining to the security of the property of the municipality or local board and personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

Resolution No. 253/2011 - Move into Closed Meeting

Moved by Councillor Waldroff, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hart

Be it resolved that Council move into a closed meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Carried.

Resolution No. 254/2011 - Move out of Closed Meeting

Moved by Councillor Woods, Seconded by Councillor Brownlee

Be it resolved that Council move out of this closed meeting at 10:12 p.m.

Carried.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 255/2011 - Adjournment

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hart, Seconded by Councillor Waldroff

Be it resolved that Council adjourn this regular meeting of Council at 10:19 p.m. and return to the call of the chair.

Carried.

Original signed by Bryan McGillis

Mayor

Original signed by Loriann Harbers

Clerk