

## CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon held a meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June , 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers. Mayor D. Fawcett, Deputy Mayor B. Hill, Councillor J. Crowe, Councillor J. Elliott and Councillor B. Kumprey (left meeting at 1:20 p.m.) were present. Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer was also present. Mayor Fawcett presided.

### Additions

- GW Jordan draft letter to Minister Smitherman
- NDACT Invitation to meeting on June 20, 2009

### Deletions

- None

### Approval

S Show of hands

### Minutes

Moved by Kumprey and Elliott that the minutes of the May 21, 2009 Council meeting be approved as circulated. Carried.

### Business Arising from Minutes

None.

### Members Privilege

Nothing at this time.

### County Council Update

The County Council representatives reviewed the County Council update of May 14, 2009 with Council.

### Committee Reports

#### **Councillor Elliott**

#### Southgate Recreation Advisory Committee - May 28, 2009

Councillor Elliott was absent from this meeting but did report on the following:

- presentation regarding Tobacco Free Sports and Recreation
- report on the Melancthon Township meeting regarding a cap for operating and capital expenditures
- food booth tender
- Hopeville Minor Ball updates
- pool heater quote
- no meetings for July and August
- Pepper Tournament - Committee assisting with prizes and lunch expense
- restructured pool hours
- issues with alcohol in the park during ball tournaments
- Mayor of Southgate announced that Cedarville Hall was declared surplus and is for sale

## **Councillor Crowe**

### Horning's Mills Hall Board - May 19, 2009

- discussion on the three recent fundraisers which netted profits:
  - Treasurer's Sale - \$857.16
  - Fish Fry - \$685.82
  - Raffle - \$421.30
- letter of thanks have gone out
- motion made by the Board to donate the leftovers from the Treasurers Sale to the Breast Cancer Garage Sale on May 30, 2009
- On May 29, 2009 some of the Board members met and did a major cleanup of the storage area in preparation for repairs for the roof.
- a large spruce tree growing on the west side of the hall needs to be removed. The County as well as NEC have been consulted and there is no requirement for permits. Another tree or trees will be planted to replace this one.

### Police Services Board - May 20, 2009

- all members present - Garry Matthews was the Chair as Councillor Crowe had laryngitis
- Board received the Detachment Commander's Report for February, March and April
- Sgt. Brodhagen advised that the Year end Report was done and he will be presenting it at today's meeting
- the OPP were made aware of the concerns of Leo Blydorp regarding Nuisance Recreational Vehicles
- OPP were asked to do patrols at the Horning's Mills Park because of vandalism
- discussion on aspects of Board Amalgamation and Melancthon PSB felt it would like to stay independent for now
- Member Cowen has not been receiving remuneration and the Secretary was asked to look into that

### Mulmur Melancthon Fire Department

There was no meeting in May due to the Chief being away. The meeting was rescheduled to last night. The Board adopted a hiring policy for the Department and renewed its agreement with the Orangeville Police Service to provide "tone out" services. The 2008 Auditor's Report was received in draft and will be discussed further in September with Mulmur's Treasurer along with a PSAB presentation. Member Rhonda Campbell-Moon is doing a study of the fire permits in the Mulmur and Melancthon catchment areas. A discussion was held relating to having a public question period and the Board opted against it because people can attend the PQP of Council meetings and ask the fire board reps the questions, they want or if a question or issue cannot be resolved, they can appear before the fire board.

## **Councillor Kumprey**

Horning's Mills Cemetery - the Cemetery cannot be declared Heritage if there are still plots for sale. The Board received six quotes for grass cutting and the one chosen was \$175.00 per cutting.

## **Deputy Mayor Hill**

CDRC - a request for proposal for Engineering Services has gone out in anticipation of infrastructure funding. He received an email regarding a new grant - CAF - \$150,000 and is 100% funded by the Province – these funds will be used for refurbishing the Town and Country Room.

## **Mayor Fawcett**

Source Water Protection - attended the session in Midland – very interesting session. By 2012, the Plan should be in place. Communications Plan – a copy will be given to all members. The next meeting is September 17<sup>th</sup> in Rama.

Shelburne Fire Department - short information meeting. A consultant was in attendance regarding the direction of Fire Departments.

Mulmur Recreation Committee - discussion regarding the BBQ. Still need to raise \$500.00 more for the refrigerator. More fundraising ideas for the next meeting.

Physician Recruitment - discussed what the Committee was going to do for recruitment at the International Centre. She was part of the Recruitment on May 15<sup>th</sup> and it was very rewarding.

## Correspondence

1. GRCA Minutes - May 2009
2. Letter and motion from the Shelburne Police Services Board regarding Melancthon's request for Policing Costs
3. Comments from GW Jordan regarding the Steering Committee Meeting for the County of Dufferin Growth Management Study
4. Comments from GW Jordan regarding the Specialty Crop Designation - Council Information Request
5. AMO Communication Alert - Province Passes Green Energy Act
6. Green Energy Act Regulation - EBR Registry Notice - Deadline for comments June 11, 2009
7. EPIC - Important Alert on the Use of Reusable Grocery Bags
8. Information from MPAC regarding the Supplementary Taxation on Phase 2 of the Melancthon Wind Project
9. Letter of concerns from Roger Oliveira regarding Township issues
10. Resolution from the Township of South Stormont regarding Request for simultaneous dispatch for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Fire Response
11. Resolution from the Town of Smiths Falls regarding increasing library grants
12. AIMPOWERGEN - Plateau I, II III Wind Farms Newsletter - May 2009
13. Comments from the Town of Mono regarding Bill 150
14. Notice of Commencement of an Environmental Screening Review and Public Open House - Skyway 124 Wind Farm Project - Clearview Township and Grey-Highlands Township Installation of up to 15 Wind Turbines at 2 - MW Each
15. NEC - Request for Comments - Watersmeet Corporation - Part of Lot 14, Concession 2 OS - to construct single dwelling with attached garage, septic system and driveway on an existing vacant lot (re-application)
16. Grand Actions Newsletter - May/June 2009
17. Email from Carl Cosack, NDACT Member regarding the importance of windbreaks
18. Letter from Gerd Uderstadt, RJ Burnside and Associates regarding the Hannon Drainage Complaint
19. NVCA Meeting Highlights - May 8, 2009

## Addition

Invitation from NDACT to attend a Public Meeting on Saturday, June 20, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Honeywood Arena. The Mayor advised that she had previous commitment and would not be there, Deputy Mayor Hill advised that he may or may not be at the meeting due to family reasons, Councillor Crowe indicated that he probably would not be there due to other family commitments, Councillor Elliott indicated that she would be in attendance.

# 4 - the Clerk was asked to have Mr. Jordan clarify how the Holland Marsh and the Niagara Fruit Belt were designated Specialty Crops without substantial technical data as well as to ask him how we go about putting this into our draft OP without any technical data?

#9 - the Clerk was asked to respond to Mr. Oliveira's concerns regarding wind turbines, mailboxes and the DVD received in the mail.

# 11 - Moved by Kumprey and Elliott that we support the resolution from Smith Falls in its entirety - Resolution #2009-05-172 under date of May 22, 2009. Carried.

#### Correspondence on File At the Clerk's Office

1. AMO Member Communication Alert - AMO Continues to Push for Successful Implementation of AODA
2. Conservation Corner - Use native plants to attract butterflies to your garden - May 2009
3. AMO - Participate in the Count Me In! Community Challenge Launch
4. Upper Grand District School Board and Wellington Catholic District School Board - Education Development Charges - Notice of Public Meetings
5. Minutes for the Shelburne Public Library Board Meeting - April 21, 2009
6. Information regarding the 2009 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend
7. News Release from NVCA - Minister Canfield canoes the world-class Minesing Wetland
8. MPAC - 2008 Annual Report and Financial Statements
9. Resolution from the Grand Valley and District Fire Board - regarding Bill 221 - Workplace Safety and Insurance Amendment Act (Presumptions for Firefighters) 2007
10. Thank you card from the Henderson Family for the floral tribute for the late Eldon Henderson

#### Delegations

9:45 a.m. - Rick Riddall, Landfill Supervisor, attended Council and presented his monthly report. From that report, the Clerk was directed to send a letter to the Ministry of Environment requesting permission to continue with the practice of covering the debris pile on Sundays instead of after each operational day.

10:00 a.m. - Garry Matthews, GRCA Representative attended Council. He reviewed the meeting highlights of the last NVCA meeting as well as updated Council on Source Water Protection Issues. The next Source Protection Meeting is going to be September 17<sup>th</sup> at Rama.

#### General Business

##### Procedural By-law

The Clerk advised that there was a change to the draft regarding agenda items being available after the meeting and it was changed from 24 hours to two business days because of the office being closed on Fridays in August. Also, a notation to be made in that same section # 14 – that agenda items are to be received on Thursday at noon when the Friday before the meeting is a Statutory Holiday or a Friday in August. The CAO to make the change at break and bring back for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

10:25 a.m. - Council took a five minute break and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

#### PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Harvey Lyon asked about other regulations for the Green Energy Act? He was advised that there has only been one regulation posted on the EBR so far.

Nancy Malloy asked what happens to the turbines in Phase 1 and 2 if they don't meet the new standards set out by the Province? She was advised that nothing would happen because the Provincial standards would only apply to new turbines.

Marni Walsh mentioned a news article where the Province will be appointing a representative to study the health and safety concerns of turbines and had Council heard

of this? She was advised that Council had not heard of this. Ms. Walsh asked a couple of meetings ago if Council would increase the setbacks on wind turbines and wondered if there had been any further thought on this regarding the distance from homes and roads? She was advised that this has now been taken out of our hands because of the Green Energy Act.

Ms. Walsh also commented on the meeting that is going to be held on June 20<sup>th</sup> in Honeywood and the fact that the Mayor would not be there due to previous commitments. The Mayor advised that her commitment had been booked for some time and if she could get there, she would. Discussion ensued regarding the meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup> and Deputy Mayor Hill has asked for an agenda of the meeting – discussion then ensued regarding that issue.

Karren Wallace asked if Council had a date for Mr. Lowndes to come to Council? The CAO advised that she has been speaking with his representative, Mr. Daniher, and they have been discussing Council dates and will be keeping in touch. Ms. Wallace also asked why Council doesn't hire a subject matter expert to do their own Specialty Crop study? She said when the aggregate licence comes, the Council only has 45 days to respond and would it not be good now to get things in order? She was advised by Council that when we receive an application, we will go forward. It was also mentioned about the 300 or so trees that The Highland Companies removed on the property across the road from Ms. Wallace's property.

11:00 a.m. - Staff Sergeant Steven Sills and Sergeant Greg Brodhagen attended Council and reviewed the 2008 Year End Report and Business Plan 2009. S/Sgt. Sills says they hope to be in their new building by the end of June. They do not have an Official Opening Date yet. Councillor Crowe asked S/Sgt. Sills if the 3<sup>rd</sup> Line OS of Melancthon needed to be signed with 80 km/hours signs after an issue regarding the speed limit took place a couple of weeks ago. S/Sgt. Sills said there is no need because under the HTA, the limit is 80 km/hour unless otherwise posted and he will make sure his officers know about this.

#### General Business - Cont.

Moved by Hill and Crowe that leave be given to introduce a By-law to govern the proceedings of Council and its Committees and to repeal By-law No. 19-1995 and it now be read a first and second time. Carried. By-law read a first and second time and numbered 8-2009. Discussion ensued regarding the posting of the agenda and materials on the website.

#### Accounts

Moved by Hill and Crowe that the general accounts in the amount of \$629,101.14 be approved. Carried.

#### Applications to Permit

Mayor Fawcett signed the following applications to permit:

- East Part of Lot 6, Concession 2 OS - Coverall Building for Storage - H. Arnold (Note: Deputy Mayor Hill and Councillor Crowe declared a pecuniary interest on this application as they both live in the vicinity of Mr. Harold's property and they left the Council Chambers. They returned once the application was approved.)
- East Part of Lot 28, Concession 4 OS - renovation and addition to existing structure - C. Pease
- West Part of Lot 17, Concession 1 OS - addition to existing farm house, attached garage - B. Millsap
- East Part of Lot 15, Concession 2 OS - garage - D. Lacey and J. Henry
- East Part of Lot 5, Concession 4 OS - pole shed for storage - R. Shirley

#### Draft Letter to BDO Dunwoody regarding Management Letter/Financial Statements

The draft letter was reviewed and the CAO was directed to send the letter.

Completion of Work on New Official Plan Including Growth Plan Conformity Elements from GW Jordan, Township Planner

This item was reviewed and received as information.

Draft Letter prepared by GW Jordan, Township Planner to request an extension to Deadline for Official Plan Conformity with the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe

The draft letter was reviewed and the following resolution passed:

Moved by Hill and Crowe that we authorize the submission of a request to the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure for a one year extension to the June 16, 2009 deadline for official plan conformity with the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe based on the Minister's letter of March 26, 2009, the current status of the related intermunicipal work with other County municipalities and the work program as provided by the Township's Planning Consultant. Carried.

Draft Letter prepared by the Growth Management Steering Committee regarding the Implementation of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and Dufferin County Request and Justification for Approval of Alternative Density Target & Addition of GW Jordan Letter regarding the above

Both letters were reviewed and the following resolution passed: Moved by Crowe and Hill that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon hereby endorses option "B" from the Growth Management Study as recommended by Township Planner GW Jordan in his letter to Council dated June 1, 2009. Carried.

New/Other Business

Third Reading - By-law No. 8-2009 (Procedural By-law)

Moved by Elliott and Kumprey that By-law No. 8-2009 now be read a third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book. Carried.

Budget and New Reserve Fund

This year's budget allows for a one-time \$12,000.00 special reserve fund. These monies will be used to help ratepayers who have recently lost their jobs and need to obtain new training skills. The monies can be used to pay for gas to get to training session, pay for training sessions, etc. Deputy Mayor Hill has been speaking with Pam Hillock of the County about this program and will be working with her on it to obtain further information.

Hyland Centre - Financial Request

The Hyland Centre group is to contact the County with their request for financial support and the Clerk will put them on the General Government Services Agenda so they can request funds through the County. There are no guarantees for money this year but at least they will be informed for next year.

Township of Essa - Public Salary Disclosure

Moved by Hill and Crowe that WHEREAS in April 2008 the 2008 public salary disclosures were released by the provincial government for all public sector organizations in the province, otherwise known as the Sunshine List; AND WHEREAS the Ontario economy is struggling and the unemployment rate continues to rise; AND WHEREAS the deficit of the Province will be greater than originally anticipated and the recession deeper and longer than originally thought; AND WHEREAS, the Ontario Government and the public

sector has an obligation to be open and transparent with the residents paying the wages through taxation; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Melancthon requests the Provincial Government establish a review process for annual salary over \$300,000 in the Ontario Public Service Sector or affiliated organization to justify these salaries for the residents of Ontario; AND that this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Premier, Minister of Finance and all MPP's. AND FURTHER this resolution be forwarded through AMO to Ontario Municipalities for support. Carried.

#### Closed Session

12 noon - Moved by Kumprey and Elliott that we move into Closed Session in order to discuss a matter pertaining to labour relations or employee negotiations. Carried.

12:35 p.m. - Moved by Hill and Crowe that we rise from Closed Session with report. Carried.

Moved by Crowe and Hill that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon has reviewed the employee wage proposal for the years 2009 and 2010 in grid form, covering all employees presently employed. We hereby accept same as presented and attach same to this motion. It is understood that all increases are retroactive to January 1, 2009 and will extend to December 31, 2010. Carried.

12:38 p.m. - Council adjourned for lunch.

1:10 p.m. - Council reconvened.

#### Road Business

Allen Braiden, Road Superintendent, attended Council and presented the road accounts. Moved by Crowe and Hill that the road accounts in the amount of \$210,537.84 be approved. Carried.

Allen reported that the gravel is done, catch basins are cleaned and the roads are being graded so that the calcium can be applied.

Discussion regarding some signs that are not up at intersections. Allen to find out just how many.

Discussion regarding the hiring of a full-time employee – Allen to advertise for the position.

The tender for the new truck will be going out next week. The little truck is being cleaned up and will be put at the road for sale. Someone from Viking is coming next week to check out the Plow Equipment.

#### New/Other - Cont.

Michael Daniher commented on an issue raised earlier regarding removal of trees and said that the trees in question were dividing a field and in order to make the field more productive for farming, they were removed. The trees are drying out and will be chipped. Some of the trees were offered to residents.

#### Adjournment

1:40 p.m. - Moved by Hill and Crowe that we adjourn to meet again on Thursday, June 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

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CLERK