

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
MINUTES OF COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 27, 2017 @ 7:00 P.M.
CLOSED SESSION 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was held in the Municipal Office Council Chambers, Kenilworth.

Members Present:

Mayor: Andy Lennox
Councillors: Lisa Hern
Dan Yake

Absent:

Councillors: Sherry Burke
Steve McCabe

Staff Present:

CAO: Michael Givens
Clerk: Karren Wallace
Executive Assistant: Cathy Conrad
Economic Development Officer: Dale Small
Water & Sewer Superintendent: Barry Trood
Manager of Planning and Environment: Mark Van Patter

CALLING TO ORDER

Mayor Lennox called the meeting to order

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Resolution 2017-061

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Agenda for the February 27, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council be accepted and passed.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

CLOSED MEETING SESSION

Resolution 2017-062

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North go into a meeting at 6:31 p.m. that is closed to the public under subsections 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, specifically:

- (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board*
- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and*
- (d) labour relations or employee negotiations*

1. *REPORTS*

- a) *Report EDO 2017-005 proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land*
- b) *Report FIRE 2017-001 Fire Chief Work Plan Action Items Report*

2. *REVIEW OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES*

- *January 23, 2017*

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-063

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North rise from a closed meeting session at 7:01 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-064

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive report EDO 2017-05 being a report on a pending acquisition and/or disposal of land; AND FURTHER THAT the confidential direction provided in closed session to the Chief Administrative Officer and the Economic Development Officer be approved.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-065

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report FIRE 2017-001 being a report regarding Fire Chief Work Plan Action items.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-066

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North approve the Closed Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2017.

CARRIED

O' CANADA

PUBLIC MEETING UNDER THE PLANNING ACT

- Martin, Maurice and Susannah
- Alette Holsteins

RESUME REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Resolution 2017-067

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North resume the February 27, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council at 7:18 p.m.

CARRIED

PASSAGE OF BY-LAWS ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC MEETING

Resolution 2017-068

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT By-law Number 019-17 being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 66-01 being the Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted. (Lot 3, Concession 6, municipally known as 9531 Concession 6N, Geographic Arthur Township – Alette Holsteins Ltd.)

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-069

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT By-law Number 020-17 being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 66-01 being the Zoning By-law for the Township of Wellington North be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted. (Part Lot 2, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Arthur, with a civic address of 9671 Concession 6 North – Maurice and Susannah Martin)

CARRIED

AWARDS / RECOGNITION/ DECLARATIONS

Resolution 2017-070

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North hereby declare May 19, 2017 to June 17, 2017 as "Beautify Mount Forest" month in preparation of Mount Forest Homecoming on June 23, 24 & 25, 2017.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

a. Andrew Lennox, Mayor

- County Update

- County Budget was passed at the end of January with a 2.9% increase in the levy
- No operating changes
- County Capital Projects in Wellington North include engineering for the replacement of the bridge at Gordonville, rehabilitation work on the Mallet river

bridge, two bridges on the East-West Luther Townline, resurfacing planned for Eliza Street from Tucker to Sideroad 9 and Upgrades to sidewalks and parking lot for Social Housing on Edward Street, Arthur

- The County works garage in Drayton will be replaced
- On behalf of all municipalities the SWIFT program will be funded to bring fibre-optic connectivity to everyone

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL / PUBLIC MEETING(S)

Resolution 2017-071

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council and the Special Meeting of Council held on February 13, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

Resolution 2017-072

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North deny the request for exemption to Noise Control By-law 5001-05 for 535 Queen Street West and 625 Queen Street West, Mount Forest, as requested by Paul Wideman, W-S Feed & Supplies Limited, to permit snow removal for the winter months of November to March.

CARRIED

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 2a, 3a, 5b, 7a, 7b, 7c, By-law C,

ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Resolution 2017-073

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT all items listed under Items for Consideration on the February 27, 2017 Council agenda, with the exception of those items identified for separate discussion, be approved and the recommendations therein be adopted:

Minutes

- a. *Recreation and Culture Committee meeting of February 14, 2017*
- b. *Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting of February 16, 2017*
- c. *Wellington North Power Inc., Quarterly Update*
 - *Quarter 4: Period ending December 31, 2016*
- d. *Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Drinking Water Source Protection Committee meeting of September 23, 2016*

Business: Reports, recommendations, correspondence for direction

3 b. *Report from Linda Dickson, Emergency Manager/CEMC, dated January 12, 2017, regarding Provincial Emergency Management Review PD 2017-01 - received for information.*

4 a. *THAT Report 2017-003 being a report on an amendment to the Municipal Alcohol Policy Section 2.1 for the Wellington North Showcase event to be held on March 27, 2017 be received for information;*

AND FURTHER THAT the Township of Wellington North approve an amendment to the Municipal Alcohol Policy Section 2.1 for approval of a Special Occasion Permit (SOP) to include the Meeting Room, East Lobby and Washrooms and Coat check of the Mount Forest & District Sports Complex on March 27, 2017 for the purpose of a Business Networking Reception to be held as part of the Wellington North Showcase event.

5 a. *THAT the Economic Development Officer report EDO-2017-07 dated February 27th, 2017 with regards to the Community Improvement Program be received for information.*

6 a. *Cheque Distribution Report dated February 21, 2017 – received for information.*

CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS IDENTIFIED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Resolution 2017-074

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report CAO 2017-005 being a report on Sanitary Servicing – Durham Street East.

CARRIED

Council directed staff to bring a report regarding servicing to the March 13, 2017 Council meeting.

Resolution 2017-075

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive correspondence dated February 9, 2017 from Mark Van Patter, Manager of Planning and Environment, regarding Stack Gravel Pit – Laverne and Erma Weber – Part Lot 4, Concession 5, Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments.

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Wellington North support the Official Plan Amendment Application related to Part Lot 4, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Arthur, to add a Mineral and Aggregate Area designation and a Mineral Aggregate Resource Overlay designation, on 13.31 hectares of the subject land.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-076

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report EDO 2017-08 being a report on the Rural fibre-optic Connect To Innovate Program;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North support Packetworks application to the Connect To Innovate Program in an effort to bring fibre-optic internet service to the Communities of Conn and Damascus;

AND FURTHER THAT The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North direct the Mayor and C.A.O. to sign a letter of support for the project and to provide this letter and other requested documentation to Packetworks to accompany their funding application.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-077

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive for information Report CLK 2017-006 being a report on AMCTO Report's "Bearing the burden".

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-078

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CLK 2017-007 being a report on amending By-law 9-2008 being a By-law to provide for the Sale and Disposition of Land;

AND FURTHER THAT By-law 9-2008 and the sale and disposition of land policy 21.15 be amended as follows:

6. *That unopened roads allowances the municipality wishes to close and sell shall be offered to all adjacent landowners for purchase. The adjacent landowners shall have 30 days to respond to the offer. Should there be no mutual interest shown by adjacent landowners regarding the purchase of the land, any adjacent landowner or combination thereof may be given the opportunity to purchase the property. The entire tract of land must be conveyed and must merge with the adjoining property. All costs related to the purchase of land, including legal and surveying cost shall be at the expense of the purchaser.*

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk be directed to amend Policy 21.15 being the Sale and Disposition of Land Policy.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the by-law to amend By-law 9-2008.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-079

Moved: Councillor Hern
Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North receive Report CLK 2017-008 being a report on the use of alternate voting methods.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-080

Moved: Councillor Yake
Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a by-law permitting the use of vote by mail method for the 2018 municipal election.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-081

Moved: Councillor Yake
Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a by-law permitting the use of tabulators for the 2018 municipal election.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

No notice of motion tabled.

COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING PROGRAM REPORT

Mayor Lennox met with the following groups

- Ministerial Group in Mount Forest to discuss emergency management and how their churches can participate with housing and feeding people. They are going to further discuss options and come back with a proposal. The Growth Plan was presented and youth involvement, housing and transportation were discussed.
- Presented the Growth Plan to the Cultural Roundtable Committee. The Committee discussed demographics and suggested we should be targeting our community as a retirement community. The Committee was encouraged help identify heritage buildings in Wellington North.
- Presented the Growth Plan to the Mount Forest Lions Club with discussion focused on the economic side of growth, land servicing, availability of land and attracting industry.

Mayor Lennox addressed the letter submitted by Elizabeth Moore and identified items relevant to issues the Township is working on. Council is setting the stage and putting policies in place for what they think the community wants. They can only try to shape the future in a way to meet the diverse needs of everyone. Meetings will be held as part of the process to ensure the public is able to participate.

Council granted Mrs. Moore the opportunity to present to Council. Mrs. Moore's comments included:

- People don't get involved because they feel they will not be heard.

- She has difficulty hearing and could not hear what Council was saying during the meeting.
- People do not know when Council meetings are being held.
- Dissatisfaction with retailers in Mount Forest and empty storefronts
- Need for seniors centre
- High cost of permit fees
- Difficulty parking and using sidewalks in winter

Councillor Yake announced that he and Lisa met with the Canada 150 group in Arthur to discuss initiatives for decorating the Village and provide information regarding his role and what can be done. He also commented that the Blacksmith Committee met and will be presenting to Council at the last March meeting.

Councillor Hern attended two Chamber of Commerce meetings. The Mount Forest Chamber reviewed their insurance policy. The Arthur Chamber has patriot bunting for sale to celebrate Canada 150.

CAO Michael Givens announced that the Township was unsuccessful with the OCIF funding application for the King Street and Elgin Street project. The Arthur Optimist Club will be holding a fundraising dinner on Thursday, March 30 for the splash pad with Assistant Crown Attorney, Michael Townsend as the guest speaker.

Mayor Lennox expressed his appreciation to Council for helping to raise money for the Bowl of Kids event.

BY-LAWS

Resolution 2017-082

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT By-law Number 016-17 being a by-law to authorize vote by mail for the 2018 Municipal Election be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-083

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT By-law Number 017-17 being a by-law to authorize the use of optical scanning vote tabulators at the 2018 Municipal Election be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

Resolution 2017-084

Moved: Councillor Yake

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT By-law Number 018-17 being a by-law to adopt a budget including estimates of all sums required during 2017 for operating and capital, for purposes of the Municipality be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution 2017-085

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT By-law Number 021-17 being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North at its Regular Meeting held on February 27, 2017 be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2017-086

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Councillor Yake

THAT the Regular Council meeting of February 27, 2017 be adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

CARRIED

CLERK

MAYOR