

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the Municipality of Tweed held Tuesday, **January 25, 2011** at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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| Reeve | Jo-Anne Albert |
| Deputy Reeve | Brian Treanor |
| Councillors | Justin Bray |
| | Don DeGenova |
| | James Flieler |

Reeve Albert called the meeting to order followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the January 25, 2011 Regular Meeting be approved as presented. Carried.

CAUCUS

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go into Caucus at 5:00 p.m. to address the following matters:

1. Section 239(2)(d) – employee negotiations pertaining to vacant positions.
2. Section 239(2)(f) – solicitor comments re: property and land uses.

Carried.

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go out of Caucus at 5:30 p.m. Carried.

NOTIFICATION OF CAUCUS SESSION

Reeve Albert advised that Council held a Caucus session at the start of the regular meeting, in accordance with Section 239(2)(d) and (f) of the Municipal Act, to consider the following: employee negotiations pertaining to vacant positions and solicitor comments pertaining to property and land uses. Reeve Albert advised that Council would continue the Caucus session at the end of the regular meeting for these same matters.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED BY J. BRAY

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the January 11, 2011 Regular Meeting be adopted as distributed. Carried.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

Councillor DeGenova noted that direction regarding funds for trees under the RED program was not included in the January 11, 2011 minutes. Council agreed that the minutes should be amended to reflect this.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None.

DISCLOSURES

None.

ACCOUNTS

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. FLIELER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the accounts presented for payment be approved in the following amounts:

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| Payroll Cheques | \$ 32,405.33 | |
| General Government | 81,290.27 | |
| Protection to Persons and Property | 23,994.26 | |
| Transportation | 118,099.32 | |
| Environmental Services | 51,832.12 | |
| Recreation | 38,272.52 | |
| Building | 1,400.00 | |
| GST/HST Recoverable | 21,033.08 | |
| Payroll Remittance | 21,968.28 | |
| 2010 Accounts Payable | <u>93,333.59</u> | |
| Total | \$ 483,628.77 | Carried. |

DELEGATIONS

1. Len DaSilva – Village signage/sidewalk matters.

Len DaSilva attended the meeting to present to Council several suggestions for the following: sidewalk improvements on Moira Street noting safety concerns with the existing conditions; protection of green space along the river to keep vehicles off; lighting at Village entrance signs; replacement of Tweed signs on Hwy 37; an identifying flag for the Municipality; and consideration of welcome signs on municipal boundaries, specifically on the former County roads.

2. Doug Stevenson – Gateway Community Health Centre Health Promoter re: funding proposal.

Doug Stevenson, Health Promoter at Gateway Community Health Centre attended the meeting, along with Cindy Cassidy of Eastern Ontario Trails Alliance, to present to Council their proposal for an application to Healthy Communities Fund. Doug and Cindy outlined the proposal which involves an urban poling program, designated routes in and around the Village of Tweed including connection to the existing Eastern Ontario trails system and the municipal walking trail, and signage, benches and trail improvements related to these routes. Doug outlined the benefits of using poles while walking and noted that this exercise, which can be done by all age groups, is also instrumental in injury prevention. The delegates requested the Municipality's support of their funding proposal and asked for partnership consideration in the form of in-kind contributions, suggesting employee hours, equipment and materials.

REEVE'S REPORT

Reeve Albert reported on meetings attended and upcoming meetings. Reeve Albert provided information from the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus on the broadband project, including a map of the zones and associated timeframes for high speed availability. Reeve Albert reported on the January 20th Library Board meeting and noted the new schedule for days and times that the Library is open, including evening hours.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Public Works Supervisor Allan Broek reported on department activities. The Public Works Supervisor reported on some incidents of frazzle ice in the river and the actions taken to alleviate this.

MOVED BY J. BRAY

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve payment of Payment Certificate No. 12 to Eagleson Construction in the amount of \$25,236.15 (HST included) for the River Street construction project as recommended by G.D. Jewell Engineering, project engineers. Carried.

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. FLIELER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report of the Public Works Supervisor be accepted. Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

CAO/Clerk Patricia Bergeron reported on department activities. Councillor Don DeGenova advised that he would be interested in representing the Municipality on the new Ontario Highlands RTO11 Board of Directors.

Council set the following budget meeting dates: March 11 and March 18 at 9:00 a.m.

MOVED BY J. BRAY

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report of the CAO/Clerk be accepted. Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Recreation Committee.
2. Fire Committee.
3. Planning Committee.
4. Pool Committee.
5. Library Board.
6. Quinte Conservation.
7. Quinte Waste Solutions.
8. CPAC.
9. Health & Safety Committee.
10. Community Development Committee.
11. Committee of the Whole:
 - i. Infrastructure Committee – report on January 12, 2011 meeting.
 - ii. Persons and Property Committee.
 - iii. Personnel and Finance Committee.

The Public Works Supervisor provided some additional information as follow-up to the Infrastructure Committee meeting and noted the following: OCWA will give immediate notice if the sewer flows increase 25% or more; Veolia will offer some free camera work during high flow times.

MOVED BY J. BRAY

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the submission of an application under the OSWAP-3 program for funding for improvements related to sanitary sewer infiltration. Carried.

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. FLIELER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee Reports be accepted as presented. Carried.

BY-LAWS

None.

MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF MOTIONS

- 1. Motion re: demolition of former grow ops buildings.

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

WHEREAS from time to time there are properties in the Municipality, including both houses and other buildings, which have been used as grow ops and are for sale on the market as a result of drug busts at the properties;

AND WHEREAS the properties are inspected by the Chief Building Official and the presence of black mold and the use of chemicals for the production of illegal drugs is detected;

AND WHEREAS some of the buildings have undergone construction without the knowledge of the building officials and therefore may present a risk of injury to occupants;

AND WHEREAS these buildings have been used to support an illegal business;

AND WHEREAS the medical profession recognizes the health implications if these buildings are used as homes or places of work;

AND WHEREAS the Chief Building Official has identified situations that would result in a health risk;

AND WHEREAS the Chief Building Official has also identified building infractions that would jeopardize the safety of inhabitants;

AND WHEREAS these buildings if allowed to undergo reconstruction could cause a health risk in future;

AND WHEREAS if health issues arise at a later date this would be a burden to the Municipality and place the Municipality at risk of legal action;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Tweed petition the Federal and Provincial governments for mandatory destruction of buildings that have been used as grow ops; and further request that all costs for the demolition and safe removal of the buildings and materials be at the expense of the Federal and Provincial governments; and further request that the monies collected from the drug busts be used to compensate these costs. Carried.

- 2. Notice of motion re: Council meetings in hamlets.

Council agreed to consider the motion presented by Councillor DeGenova.

MOVED BY D. DEGENOVA

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

That the Municipality of Tweed will conduct one Council meeting in 2011 in each of the following Hamlets: Actinolite, Marlbank, Queensborough and Thomasburg.

- 1. During the 2010 Municipal Election, a number of residents expressed an interest in the Municipality of Tweed hosting a Council meeting in their respective Hamlets.
- 2. Such an initiative is designed to make local residents feel more part of the Municipality as a whole and to encourage residents to become more engaged in municipal affairs.
- 3. In an effort to honour that request, the Municipality of Tweed has agreed to conduct on a trial basis for 2011 one Council meeting in Actinolite, Marlbank, Queensborough and Thomasburg.
- 4. If at least five or more residents local to that Hamlet attend the meeting, then Council will repeat the Hamlet Council meetings for that Hamlet in subsequent years.
- 5. For 2011, the meetings will be held on the following dates;
 - 5.1. Actinolite April 26, 2011
 - 5.2. Marlbank June 14, 2011
 - 5.3. Queensborough September 27, 2011
 - 5.4. Thomasburg November 8, 2011
- 6. All such meetings will be duly announced in the newspaper and on the municipal website. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Funding projects.

Council and staff provided verbal updates on the projects.

2. Fire by-law.

Reeve Albert advised that the new draft by-law would be discussed further at the Persons and Property Committee meeting.

3. Committee appointments – additional Recreation Committee members.

The Clerk advised that no additional applications were received for the Recreation Committee however one member who had applied to the Planning Committee had agreed to change to Recreation.

4. Tribute to Elvis Festival – status of festival committee.

Reeve Albert reviewed the written requests from the Elvis Tribute Festival Committee including their request for confirmation of their status as a committee as well as use of municipal lands for parking and dry camping and waiver of municipal by-laws pertaining to the use of trailers. Reeve Albert explained that she had met with committee representatives who advised that they are able to obtain their own insurance for a reasonable cost. Council agreed that the committee should be able to act as an independent committee with their own insurance coverage. Reeve Albert requested Council's permission to provide a letter to the committee outlining Council's commitments and level of assistance with the August festival.

NEW BUSINESS

1. County of Hastings – Draft Strategic Plan 2010.

Council reviewed the draft strategic plan presented for their information.

2. Data Fix – Municipal Voter View MOU extension.

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with DataFix to extend the Municipal Voter View program to December 31, 2014. Carried.

3. OSWAP-3 – funding application.

This matter was addressed during Committee Reports.

4. Heart of Hastings Hospice – support of new initiative.

Reeve Albert advised that she had met with Heart of Hastings representatives who provided information on their plans establish a hospice home somewhere within the central Hastings area.

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. FLIELER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the initiatives of Heart of Hastings Hospice, an organization that has served the community for more than 20 years, to pursue a 'Heart of Hastings Hospice House', a place where loved ones will receive a quality of life from professional caregivers in a family setting during their final time dealing with a terminal illness. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION

1. Statistics Canada – 2011 Census participation.

Notice of the associated jobs will be advertised on the municipal website.

2. Erika Gammage and John Armstrong – Bridgewater Mine concerns.

Council directed staff to send letters to the individuals advising that meetings have been held with the Bridgewater Mine and Q-Claims representatives, as well as noting the responsible ministries and referencing the closure plan which addresses some of the items included in the correspondence received.

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION

1. Hastings County – news release re: Quinte West Day Care.
2. Energy Markets Group – news release re: amendments to renewable energy approval regulation.
3. Association of Municipalities of Ontario – member communications.
4. Ministry of the Environment – update on Clean Water Act assessment reports.

MOVED BY D. DEGENOVA

SECONDED BY J. FLIELER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Correspondence – Information Item Numbers 1 to 4 be received and filed. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - OTHER MUNICIPALITIES

1. Violence Awareness & Random Acts of Kindness Program – request for proclamation of Violence Awareness & Random Acts of Kindness Week.

Councillor DeGenova suggested that this week could be honoured locally through discussions with the local family who have been involved in this program.

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following action be taken in regards to Correspondence from Other Municipalities:

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Municipality</u> | <u>Request for Support of:</u> | <u>Action</u> |
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| 1. | Violence Awareness & Random Acts of Kindness Program | Proclamation of Violence Awareness & Random Acts of Kindness Week. | Support Carried. |

COMMITTEE MINUTES

1. Infrastructure Committee – minutes of September 20, 2010 meeting.

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee Minutes be accepted. Carried.

RESPONSE TO DELEGATIONS

1. Len DaSilva.

Council agreed that the requests brought forth by Mr. DaSilva should be referred to the 2011 budget.

2. Gateway Community Health Centre.

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. FLIELER

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide a letter of support for the proposal by Gateway Community Health Centre for funding under the Healthy Communities Fund for an urban poling

program and enhancement of local trails for urban poling and other physical activity; and further that Council consider in-kind contributions towards the proposed project. Carried.

QUESTION PERIOD

Council responded to questions from members of the press and the public in attendance.

CAUCUS

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SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

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Carried.

MOVED BY J. BRAY

SECONDED BY B. TREANOR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council go out of Caucus at 8:50 p.m. Carried.

MOVED BY B. TREANOR

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff follow all direction given while in the Caucus session. Carried.

MOVED BY D. DEGENOVA

SECONDED BY J. BRAY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the placement of advertisements for new volunteer firefighters. Carried.

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve an advertisement for a Waste Disposal Site Supervisor, permanent part time position, average 30 hours per week based on workload. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY J. FLIELER

SECONDED BY D. DEGENOVA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Carried.

REEVE

CLERK