



COUNCIL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
9:00 AM

Present: Mayor Horner, Deputy Mayor Hawkins, Councillors Boxem, Clark and Cufaro

Staff Present: Tracey Atkinson – CAO, Michelle Smibert – Clerk, Heather Boston – Director of Finance and John Willmetts – Director of Public Works for their reports.

- 1.1 Meeting called to order
- 1.2 Passing of the previous meeting minutes, agenda and accounts
Moved by Councillor Clark and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hawkins
THAT the Minutes of August 7, 2019 are approved as copied and circulated;
AND THAT the agendas as amended (item 5.2 Appointment of Auditor) is approved as copied and circulated;
AND THAT the accounts in the amount of \$226,682.97 as presented are ordered paid.
Carried
- 1.3 Discussion arising from minutes – none.
- 1.4 Declaration of pecuniary interest – none disclosed.
- 1.5 Fifteen minute question period- Questions and concerns were raised about the Green Energy By-Law, the Road Safety Committee recommendations, ATV's and side by side and tree trimming.
- 2.0 PUBLIC MEETINGS**
- 2.1 9:05am: Z5-2019 Simpson/Johnson Zoning Amendment Application to permit a garage with reduced setbacks
Moved by Councillor Clark and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hawkins
THAT Council recesses the regular meeting at 9:05 am to hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act to consider a Zoning By-Law Amendment by Simpson/Johnson to permit a garage with reduced setbacks.
Carried

The Planner noted that the application was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act and she provided an overview of her report. There was no one in the audience that had any concerns or questions with respect to the application.

Moved by Councillor Clark and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hawkins
THAT Council adjourns the Planning Act public meeting and returns to the regular meeting at 9:20 am. Carried

Moved by Councillor Clark and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hawkins
THAT application Z5-2019 submitted by Simpson/Johnson be considered for approval by Council subject to any concerns raised by the public or through agency circulation and that the by-law be passed. Carried
- 3.0 DEPUTATIONS AND INVITATIONS**
- 3.1 Dave Morrison of Mansfield Ski Club – an update on projects and improvements - this item was withdrawn at the request of the delegation.

- 3.2 Ernie and Angela Lynch – Invasive species awareness, reporting and actions. Ernie provided some literature about phragmites and talked about the spread of this species in Mulmur and the municipalities where this species has been problematic. He noted he has identified areas that has phragmites on lands with the Conservation Authority and that he hasn't heard back from them. He thinks its important to spearhead an awareness campaign in Mulmur and suggested that the group be called "Stop the Phrag" or "Mulmur Phrag Fighters Group." Council thanked Ernie and Angela for heading this up and asked staff to assist and to help with the awareness campaign. It was suggested that this group be asked to man a table with some information about this invasive species.

4.0 **PUBLIC WORKS**

- 4.1 Verbal Update on Public Works – tree trimming will begin next week for a period of six weeks.

4.2 Paving Tender Results

Moved by Councillor Clark and Seconded by Councillor Boxem

THAT Council accepts the tender price of \$321,425 from the Murry Group;

AND THAT the remaining portion of the 2019 Capital Paving Budget be transferred to the 2019 Capital Guiderail Budget. Carried

- 4.3 Report, consideration of recommendations from Road Safety Committee regarding speed reduction on certain roads

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hawkins and Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT a Community Safety Zone be established on the section of River Road that is currently posted 50 km/hr (Kilgorie to Prince of Wales) to ensure the safety of pedestrians using this road using the following items that are located within this section of the road: community mailbox, community bulletin board,entrance to the Bruce Trail,and the Pine River Fishing area;

THAT the 50 kilometre speed limit on 10 Sideroad be extended between the 1st line and 2nd line, 200 metres to the west and create a new 60 kilometre per hour zonefrom that point west 500 metres to the top of the hill;

THAT a 50 kilometre per hour zone be created and also a Community Safety Zone be designated in the Hamlet of Rosemont on the Mulmur/Tosorontio Townline from the intersection of Highway 89 to a point 500 metres north;

THAT a 50 kilometre per hour zone be created from the intersection of the Mulmur/Clearview Townline on the Mulmur/Tosorontio Townline to a point 400 metres south;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to amend the Traffic By-Law to reflect these changes;

AND FURTHER THAT the Road Safety Committee bring forward a Report to Council relating to River Road and 20th Sideroad to address their additional concerns. Carried

5.0 **TREASURY**

- 5.1 Request by Dufferin Board of Trade regarding a financial contribution

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hawkins and Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT Mulmur Township Council receive and approve the report of Heather Boston, Treasurer;

AND THAT a deadline be established for Community Grant Applications for February 1st of each year;

AND THAT the current financial requests from Primrose Elementary School and Dufferin Board of Trade be considered in the 2020 budget. Carried

- 5.2 Appointment of Auditor

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hawkins and Seconded by Councillor Clark

**THAT Mulmur Township Council receive and approve the report of Heather Boston, Treasurer, Auditing Services;
AND THAT KPMG LLP Chartered Professional Accountants are hereby appointed as the Township's Auditors for the years 2019-2023. Carried**

6.0 ADMINISTRATION

6.1 Special Constable Motion

Motion by Councillor Boxem and Seconded by Councillor Cufaro

That the following resolution be adopted:

Whereas smaller and rural Municipalities contracted to Ontario Provincial Police face high policing costs;

Whereas the high policing costs cover a small portion of traffic enforcement;

Whereas small and rural Municipalities have a significant increase in traffic violations;

Whereas the Municipalities contracted to Ontario Police Services are required to pay additional costs for "Enhancements" or "Paid-Duty" police officers to enforce Traffic Violations within their communities;

Whereas these municipalities need to increase policing levels to enforce the additional traffic violations within their communities without having to pay the higher costs of "Enhancements" or "Paid-Duty" police officers;

Whereas Section 53 of the Ontario Police Services Act (PSA) provides for the appointment of Special Constables;

Whereas the Solicitor General is responsible for law enforcement and can appoint Special Constables to undertake special duties many of which require the powers of a police officer, such as traffic enforcement, at a cost which is more affordable for smaller rural municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT Mulmur Township requests that Special Constables be given status by the Ministry to assist Municipalities with enforcement matters under The Highway Traffic Act on local roads;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Sylvia Jones, the Solicitor General of Ontario, AMO and all municipalities in the Province of Ontario. Carried

Moved by Councillor Cufaro and Seconded by Councillor Boxem

THAT Council authorize the circulation to all Ontario Municipalities in the AMO Watchfile at a cost of \$390 plus HST. Carried

6.2 Draft Town Hall Agenda – Council indicated they would like a general question/answer forum for 15 minutes at the end of the morning and the Mayor noted that there should be a table to help with the awareness of invasive species like phragmites.

6.3 Report, re Hours and Eating Periods

Motion by Councillor Cufaro and Seconded by Councillor Boxem

THAT Council support the existing structure, contracts and HR policy. Carried

6.4 Update, re Communication Strategy

Motion by Councillor Boxem and Seconded by Councillor Cufaro

THAT the communication strategy document dated August 28th be adopted and that staff and Councillor Boxem be directed to work on an implementation plan. Carried

6.5 Conferences for 2020, direction required. The CAO asked for feedback from Council on the current conference policy and asked if they would prefer a dollar amount per annum and a greater selection of conferences to attend. The CAO asked if Council had any concerns with her attending the OMAA conference this fall and the Council noted that if there is money in the budget then they have no concerns. The Council asked the CAO to develop a new conference policy for their review.

7.0 **PLANNING**

7.1 Verbal Update on Planning- the planner provided updates on certain matters.

Moved by Councillor Cufaro and Seconded by Councillor Boxem

THAT Tracey Atkinson is authorized to support Amaranth and East Garafraza Townships by providing the following planning services: MDS calculations until December 31, 2019. Carried

7.2 Report on the Provincial Policy Statement (2019 Draft)

Motion by Councillor Cufaro and Seconded by Councillor Boxem

THAT the Planners comments contained in Report dated September 4th be forwarded to the Environmental Registry and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Carried

8.0 COMMITTEE MINUTES AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS (INCLUDING VERBAL UPDATES)

8.1 Conferences, Events & Training (verbal update only)

8.2 Community Planning and Development Committee, August 15, 2019

8.3 Dufferin County Council (verbal update only)

8.4 Economic Development Committee, August 8, 2019

8.5 Mulmur Event Committee, August 28, 2019

8.6 Ontario Provincial Police Board, August 28, 2019

9.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Fire Chief's Annual Report

9.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, County of Dufferin, August 22, 2019

9.2 Dufferin Situation Table

9.3 Letter from the CAO, August 14, 2019 regarding Efficiencies with Mulmur operations

9.4 Ontario Energy Board Notice

9.5 Bradford West Gwillimbury, August 14, 2019 resolution regarding the Never Forgotten National Memorial

9.6 The Corporation of the Township of Papineau-Cameron, August 15, 2019 resolution regarding municipal amalgamations

9.7 Ministry of the Solicitor General, June 24, 2019, Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act

9.8 Solicitor General, August 26, 2019, Public Reports Regulation under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

Motion by Councillor Clark and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hawkins

THAT the 2018 Chiefs Year End Report for Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department be received. Carried

Motion by Councillor Boxem and Seconded by Councillor Cufaro

THAT Council receives the information items as copied and circulated and that the following be endorsed: Item 9.5 (Never Forgotten National Memorial) Carried

10.0 CLOSED SESSION

No items

11.0 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS - none

12.0 NOTICES OF MOTION (if any) - none

13.0 PASSING OF BY-LAWS

Passing the following by-laws:

- 1) 39-2019 A By-law to amend the zoning by-law regulating Green Energy
 - 2) 40-2019 A By-law to amend the zoning by-law regulating Billboard Signs
 - 3) 41-2019 A By-law to amend the zoning by-law to provide site specific zoning for part of Lot 11, Conc 7 (Z5-2019 Simpson/Johnson)
 - 4) 42-2019 A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council
Motion by Councillor Cufaro and Seconded by Councillor Boxem
- THAT By-Laws 39-2019 to 42-2019 inclusive be approved passed and adopted.
Carried**

Adjourn the meeting

Moved by Councillor Boxem and Seconded by Councillor Cufaro

THAT Council adjourns the meeting at 12:54 pm to meet again on Wednesday October 2nd, 2019 or at the call of the Chair.

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Mayor

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Clerk