



Meeting Notes

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAURENTIAN VALLEY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS January 12th, 2010

I CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- A. Attendance Mayor Jack Wilson
Cllr Steve Bennett
Cllr Ken Brown
Cllr Dennis Gauthier
Cllr George Hodgkinson
Cllr Debbie Robinson
Cllr Jim Sheedy

John Baird, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

Interested Public and Media

Excused None

Mayor Wilson invited those present to join in an opening prayer and a moment of silence for the fallen soldiers.

B. Motion to Open

CW-01-001 Moved by Cllr Robinson, seconded by Cllr Bennett
That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12th,
2010 be called to order at 5:30 p.m.

CARRIED

C. Motion to Excuse

None required

D. Agenda Approval Motion

CW-01-002 Moved by Cllr Gauthier, seconded by Cllr Bennett
That the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of
January 12th, 2010 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

II DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

III DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Martin Habraken - Boucher Rezoning Issue

Mr. Habraken made a presentation regarding the proposed Boucher Rezoning proposal on behalf of concerned residents. The written presentation is filed in the Planning Office and is available for review.

Mr. Habraken encouraged Council to deny the request for rezoning as there are numerous issues that have been raised by residents of the area.

Mr. Habraken thanked Council for the opportunity to meet and make the presentation and asked if the municipality would keep residents informed of further meetings regarding the application.

Mayor Wilson and members of Council asked several questions for clarification of the presentation.

Mayor Wilson thanked Mr. Habraken for his presentation and indicated that the Planner would keep residents aware of the application process and further meetings on the issue.

IV FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

A. Committee Minutes

No meetings.

B. Business

1. Renfrew County Regional Science Fair Request

The CAO presented a letter from the Renfrew County Regional Science and Technology Fair Co-Chair & Fund Raising Coordinator Mike Reardon requesting support for 2010. The municipality has traditionally provided an annual donation to the Regional Science Fair and authorized the following resolution be forwarded to Council for a final decision at the January Regular Council Meeting.

That Council approves a donation of \$205.00 to the Renfrew County Regional Science and Technology Fair for 2010 to be taken from the Council Donation Account.

2. Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund

The CAO presented a resolution to Council which was prepared for the January meeting outlining dissatisfaction with the loss of Stable Funding Guarantee in 2010. Based on discussions, members authorized the following resolution be forwarded to Council for a final decision at the January Regular meeting.

WHEREAS the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund is a program which assists municipalities with social program costs, equalization, policing costs and assists in the provision of services to residents, and

WHEREAS Laurentian Valley received \$1,250,000.00 in OMPF funding in 2009, and

WHEREAS Laurentian Valley has been advised that the OMPF Funding for 2010 has been reduced to \$1,000,000.00 from 2009 levels, and

WHEREAS this reduction will result in an impact of approximately \$25.00 per \$100,000.00 of assessment for the ratepayers of Laurentian Valley, and

WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley views the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund stable funding guarantee as essential to offset the costs associated with programs that have been downloaded from the Province of

Ontario to the municipal level of Government,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley calls upon the Province of Ontario to immediately re-instate the OMPF Funding to all municipalities to the 2009 funded level and further,

THAT the Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley calls upon the Province of Ontario to guarantee the OMPF Funding level be maintained at 2009 levels for a minimum period of five years to ensure that municipalities have a stable funding source and further,

That this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance, the local MPP and Renfrew County municipalities for support.

3. Donation to Valley Employee Assistance Program

The CAO presented a request from the Valley Employee Assistance Program for a donation to assist in the replacement of old resources in the self-help library. As one of the original partners in the organization, it is recommended that the municipality make a donation to assist in the replacement of these resources.

After discussions members referred the request to the 2010 Budget process.

C. Sub-Committee Reports

CW-01-003 Moved by Cllr Bennett, seconded by Cllr Gauthier
That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12th, 2010 move into closed session chaired by Mayor Wilson according to the Ontario Municipal Act 2001 Sec 239(2) and Section 239(3.1) in order to address a matter pertaining to personnel matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (s239(2)(b)).

CARRIED

CW-01-004 Moved by Cllr Robinson, seconded by Cllr Bennett
That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12th, 2010 move back into Open Session at 7:30 p.m.

CARRIED

V PUBLIC WORKS & PROPERTY

A. Committee Minutes - December 7th, 2009

Public Works & Property Committee Minutes for December 7th, 2009 were noted and filed.

B. Business

1. Request for Street Light - Sandy Beach Road and Doran Road

The CAO outlined a request from St. George's Anglican Church for a street light at the corner of Sandy Beach Road and Doran Road. The intersection is dark in the evenings and safety is a concern that is being addressed.

After discussion members agreed that the following resolution be forwarded to Council for final decision at the January Regular Council meeting.

That Council approves the request from the congregation of St. George's Anglican Church to install a street light at the corner of Sandy Beach Road and Doran Road.

Cllr requested that staff look at the intersection of Zander's Road and B Line to install a street light at that location in 2010.

2. 4th Quarterly Report - Laurentian Valley Water Works 2009

The CAO presented the 4th quarter report of the Laurentian Valley Water Works program for 2009 as required under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Council authorizes the following resolution be forwarded to Council for approval at the January Regular Council meeting.

That Council receives the 4th Quarter Laurentian Valley Water Works report for 2009.

C. Sub-Committee Reports

1. Septage Committee

Cllr Hodgkinson advised that there is nothing to report.

2. QVWRC

Cllr Bennett advised there was nothing to report.

3. Waste Water Treatment Committee

Cllr Bennett advised that there is nothing to report.

VI PUBLIC SERVICES & PROGRAMS

A. Committee Minutes - December 11th, 2009

Members discussed the minutes related to the email regarding a playground at Fairview Avenue.

Public Services & Programs Committee Minutes for December 11th, 2009 were noted and filed.

B. Business

1. Policy on Accessible Customer Service Approval

The CAO presented a draft Accessible Customer Service Policies and Procedures document prepared to meet the legislation and requirements contained under *The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*.

Members raised several questions regarding clauses contained in the policy and made some changes to wording that will be incorporated into the final policy.

Based on discussions, members authorized the following resolution be forwarded to Council for a final decision at the January Regular Council meeting.

That Council approves the Accessible Customer Service Policies & Procedures as amended and authorizes municipal staff to take the necessary actions to implement the document.

C. Sub-Committee Reports

1. Library

Cllr Hodgkinson advised that there is an upcoming Board Meeting.

2. Ottawa Valley Historical Society

Cllr Brown advised the meeting on the activities of the society since the last report.

3. Broadband Committee

Joint Broadband Project Committee Minutes for December 9th, 2009 were noted and filed.

4. Festival Hall

Cllr Sheedy advised that the postponed meeting has been scheduled for January 29th, 2010.

VII PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY

A. Committee Minutes

Member asked about the status of the repairs to the speed board. The CAO advised that staff are still dealing with the matter, with the hope that the unit will be operational soon.

B. Business

1. Fire Reports

Fire Department Reports for November 2009 and December 2009 were noted and filed.

C. **Sub-Committee Reports**

1. CPAC

Cllr Gauthier advised there was nothing to report.

2. LV Policing Committee

Cllr Gauthier advised there was nothing to report.

3. Handibus/Friends of Disabled Committee

Cllr Brown gave a report on the Handibus.

4. Fire Committee

Cllr Gauthier advised there was nothing to report.

VIII PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A. **Committee Minutes**

None.

B. **Business**

1. Authorization to Enter Site Plan Agreement - Videto

The Committee was advised that the municipality had been in discussions with Mr. Videto regarding a site plan agreement for his property located on highway 41 in the Township of Laurentian Valley. The site plan agreement was completed and signed in December 2009.

As a result, the following resolution has been authorized by members to be forwarded to Council for approval at the January Regular Council meeting.

That Council authorizes the Mayor and Deputy CAO to enter into a Site Plan Agreement with Mr. Videto.

C. **Sub-Committee Reports**

1. Economic Development

Cllr Bennett advised there was nothing to report.

2. Physician Recruitment

Cllr Robinson gave a brief report on Physician Recruitment.

IX STRATEGIC PLANNING AND VISIONING

A. **Committee Minutes**

No meeting.

B. **Business**

None

C. **Sub-Committee Reports**

Nothing to report.

X **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wilson presented his report for December 2009.

That Council accepts the Mayor's report for December 2009 as presented.

XI **CAO REPORT**

The CAO presented his report to January 7th, 2010.

That Council approves the CAO's report to January 7th, 2010 as presented.

XII **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

CW-01-005 Moved by Cllr Bennett, seconded by Cllr Gauthier
That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12th,
2010 be adjourned at 7:35 p.m.
CARRIED

ADOPTED AS PRESENTED THIS NINETEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 2010.

Jack Wilson, Mayor

John Baird, CAO/Clerk