

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRE HASTINGS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2011

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MADOC

COUNCIL PRESENT: Reeve Ketcheson, Deputy Reeve Simpson, Councillor Kramp-Neuman, Councillor Kerby.

ABSENT: Councillor Mitz.

STAFF PRESENT: CAO/Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Residents, John Spitters, CJBQ, MIX 97, Rock 107, Megan Abraham, Community Press, Gail Paquette, EMC.

Call to Order

Reeve Ketcheson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approve the Agenda

1. Simpson-Kerby: "To approve the Agenda". Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

Accounts & Treasurer/Tax Collector's Report:

The Reeve sought clarification on the \$17, 370.50 voucher from Danford Construction related to the Sills Road project and sought Council input into the approval of the expense as he stated that it had not been tendered and was therefore not in compliance with the Municipality's procurement policy.

2. Simpson-Kramp-Neuman: "To approve General Accounts and Arena Accounts for August 2011". Carried

Approval of Minutes:

3. Kramp-Neuman- Kerby: "That the Minutes from the;

1. Public Meeting Minutes of July 27, 2011.
2. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 27, 2011.
3. Committee of the Whole Minutes of August 10, 2011.
4. Closed Session Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2011.
5. Special Meeting of Council Minutes of August 16, 2011.

be received and adopted". Carried

Public Works Superintendent Report:

None.

Committee Reports:

Council Members provided updates on their various Committees.

Deputy Reeve Simpson

MADOC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

Discussed communications between Economic Development and Chamber of Commerce.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM;

Event Banners are up with 1 more event banner to go Rib Fest

Committee and staff participated in our Booth at this years Plowing Match.

Window displays are being well received and utilized.

Continue to attend Comfort Country monthly meetings

2 more businesses to interview in regards to Food Producers Survey

For the 1st time a representative from Centre Hastings, Marmora & Lakes, Stirling Rawdon and Tweed met along with the Economic Officer of Hastings County to discuss common issues. We will meet every two months going forward.

The Maguire Motocross is employing 16 students this weekend along with supporting local merchants through 4 day event.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:

Boundaries have been proposed.

Collection of Data expense approved and in process

CENTRE HASTINGS ARENA:

Arena closed for season except for special events such as the

Ball Hockey Tournament and Maguire Motocross.

Pursuing Accessibility Grant for lobby

Committee will continue to meet to address survey input and update Personnel policy.

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE:

Park

New members on board, Guidelines have been adopted

Staff are to complete costing for recommended work along with completing the caulking in the saw cuts which need to be done in cooler weather

Skate Park Summer Camp: Completed, registrations were down

Skate Park Competition : Successful once again this year with 70 participants.

Arts Centre Hastings- Rib Fest underway for Sept 24th

Pool

Final report being put in place

Regatta

Final report being put in place

Canada Day

Final report being put in place

TRI AREA MEDICAL CENTRE SPACE:

An agreement between Municipality and Community Care in process, along with electrical work for the 200 sq. foot space

MOIRA LAKE BOAT LAUNCH PROJECT:

A meeting is being scheduled with Provincial Agency to address outstanding issues as it pertains to the Environmental Assessment putting the new entrance on hold.

Project is proceeding with new drawings for boardwalk and activity park completed.

In process of applying for work permit through MNR for further work

Applying for accessibility Grant for new washrooms

CENTRE HASTINGS RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION:

Oct 1 will see the rock for the spawning group put in place with help from students and Kiwanis members.

CENTRE HASTINGS FIRE DEPT. BUDGET REVEIW:

Continue to address previous storm impact on budget.
Common file created for reporting hours worked by volunteers

Association Municipalities Ontario (AMO) Conference:

Attended workshop on Economic Development in Rural Ontario- key message was Adaptation to Changes and Localization (buy locally) as well a workshop on addressing bridges and roads.

Met with Fire Marshal representatives in regards to assessment.

Net working with colleagues from other Municipalities.

3 meetings with Provincial Ministers and Staff.

1. Minister Kathleen Wynne Transportation: Reeve Ketcheson and myself met to discuss the Hwy 62 realignment and expectations of any roads being turned over to the Municipality in the future. Reeve Ketcheson has received a written response from the Minister.

2. Minister John Chiralli Infrastructure : Reeve Ketcheson, myself, CAO Matt MacDonald and Local M.P.P. Leona Dombrowsky. Topic was funding for Moira Lake Revitalization Project. Clearer direction was given in regards to funding. We will be working with Steve Young the Ministers Assistant along with Federal representatives

3. Minister Deb Matthews Health and Long Term Care: Reeve Ketcheson, myself, CAO Matt MacDonald and Local M.P.P. Leona Dombrowsky. Topic was Centre Hastings willingness to participate and shovel ready for 128 beds of long term care on designated zoned land.

As well looking for assistance to licence the TAMC basement for Imaging. Meetings are being set up to proceed to the next step.

The cost of me attending the Conference was \$420.36 +613.65=\$1,034.01

Councillor Kramp-Neuman

EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION PROGRAM

- Appointed chair and will be meeting to establish the process and guidelines

LIBRARY BOARD

- Next meeting Tuesday September 6th

LANDFILL COMMITTEE

- Work nearing completion on the amended Certificate of Approval (C of A) from the Ministry of the Environment
- Discussion of need and attempts to identify an adequate and cost effective, used weigh scale to ensure equity/standard at the site continues

General comments about the need to ensure that both good and bad news related to the respective committees is brought to Council and the public so that all those concerned are aware of committee business should be occurring and further that committee selections/appointments should be a more open and democratic process.

Councillor Mitz

The CAO/Clerk read Councillor Mitz's pre-prepared comments into the record;

With the exception of Trail of Two Lakes (TOTL) there has been little to report for August. TOTL is planning a tour of the trail in September to list and prioritize needed actions before freeze-up

In light of the increased use of the Huntingdon Veterans Hall we definitely need more members on the Huntingdon Recreation Committee.

MTO is planning further work to the Hwy 62 shoulders between Ridge Road and Springbrook Road in October. This should improve safety for both motorized and horse drawn traffic.

Although there has not been a board meeting there has been considerable conversation with QWS manager, Rick Clow re: the recent announcement that recycling in clear bags will not be accepted after this October. I shall pursue this issue in September.

Councillor Kerby

STIRLING ARENA BOARD

- The Arena Manager, the Assistant Manager and the Labourer positions have been filled
- An Accessibility Fund application is being prepared for submission

QUINTE CONSERVATION

- Source Water Protection Committee continues work on the Source Water Protection Plan and Public Consultation process

Reeve Ketcheson

COUNTY UPDATE

The Reeve provided an update on issues from County Council including; local municipality (LT) input into labour contracts (OPP), insurance and housing cost savings, and job creation

ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO) CONFERENCE

- Political Party Leaders addressed the delegates
- attended sessions related to Roads and Bridges and Purchasing/Procurement

MOIRA LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Reeve also advised of an All Candidates Meeting for area candidates for the upcoming Provincial election taking place at the Huntingdon Veterans Community Hall on September 13th

Operations Reports:

None.

Delegations:

Ms. Wynne Rollins addressed Council and requested that her delegation be pushed to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole.

Minutes from Meetings of Various Boards & Committees:

4. Simpson-Kerby: “To receive the Minutes from Meetings of various Boards & Committees;

1. Tri Area Medical Centre Board July 19, 2011
2. Personnel & Finance Committee July 22, 2011.
3. Landfill Site Committee August 11, 2011.
4. Stirling-Rawdon and District Arena Board July 19, 2011.
5. Community Policing Advisory Committee June 21, 2011.
6. Community Improvement Plan Committee August 17, 2011.
7. Centre Hastings Recreation Centre Board July 18, 2011.
8. Centre Hastings Recreation Centre Board August 15, 2011”. Carried

Correspondence:

5. Kramp-Neuman-Simpson: “To receive and file correspondence items;

1. Correspondence from Bob Chiarelli, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure related to the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Huntingdon Veterans Community Hall.
2. Correspondence from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs related to a Rural Economic Development Program funding application.
3. Correspondence from the Ontario Municipal Water Association related to the Municipality’s municipal drinking water system license.
4. Correspondence from Dwight Duncan, Ontario Minister of Finance related to Farmland and Managed Forest Compensation to Municipalities.
5. Correspondence from the Friends of Stoco Lake (FOSL) related to the Weed Harvester.
6. Correspondence to The Central Hastings Family Health Team related to Medical Waste at the Landfill Site.
7. Correspondence from the Central Hastings Family Health Team related to Medical Waste at the Landfill Site.
8. Notice of Decision for a severance application B45/11.
9. Notice of Decision for a severance application B60/11.
10. Notice of Decision for a severance application B61/11.
11. Correspondence from Mr. T. Deline seeking information on a number of issues.
12. Correspondence from the Municipality to Mr. T. Deline in response to a request for information.
13. Notice from the County of Hastings related to the first installment 2011 Gas Tax Revenue.
14. Correspondence from Statistics Canada related to 2011 Census and the National Household Survey”. Carried

In relation to agenda item 11a - 3 Deputy Reeve Simpson noted the correspondence from the Ontario Municipal Water Association related to the Municipality meeting the new provincial standard for drinking water safety and congratulated staff and council for their work in this regard.

In relation to agenda item 11a - 4 Deputy Reeve Simpson noted the need for the province to continue the uploading of services as scheduled.

6. Simpson-Kramp-Neuman: “That Council receive the correspondence and provide a written response within 30 days”. Carried

7. Simpson-Kerby: “That Council receive the correspondence and advise the Bonter’s that the Municipality has engaged a consultant to identify the Municipality’s Water & Sewer capacity and further that the Municipality will be in a better position to respond once that information has been received”. Carried

New Business:

8. Simpson-Kerby: “That the report of Livestock Valuer be received and that the Farmer be paid \$700 for one Beef Bull Calf killed by Coyote”. Carried

9. Simpson-Kerby: “That Council receive and approve the Request for coverage of costs related to Civil Marriage Solemnization Training in the amount of \$103.58, subject to the Municipality of Tweed approving the coverage of the same amount and further that the municipality will cover training costs for no more than two individuals”. Carried

10. Simpson-Kerby: “That Council defers the request for funding for Ribfest until after the event”. Carried

11. Simpson-Kramp-Neuman: “That Council receives the correspondence from The Heart of Hastings Hospice and recognizing October 8th, 2011 as World Hospice Day, and Further;

That The Council of the Municipality of Centre Hastings supports the vision to increase the availability of palliative care and bereavement support to families and those living with life limiting illnesses throughout the world, and to increase awareness locally of the Heart of Hastings Hospice House and its related volunteer programs.

We further encourage everyone in our community to donate to the Heart of Hastings Hospice program, to allow this “no charge for service” offering to continue and thrive for the benefit of all”. Carried

By-Laws:

12. Kramp-Neuman-Kerby: “That By-Law 2011-24 being a By-Law to authorize the Reeve and CAO to execute an Agreement, receive three readings and be passed”. Carried

13. Simpson-Kerby: “That By-law 2011-25 being a By-Law to Deem Lot 7 and 8, Plan 197, in the Municipality of Centre Hastings (former Village of Madoc), County of Hastings to no longer be part of the Plan of Subdivision, receive three readings and be passed”. Carried

The Deputy Reeve sought and was provided clarification on the reason for a deeming by-law rather than a zoning by-law amendment or an alternative planning tool for this specific property.

Mr. W. White addressed council as the appointed representative to the Tri Area Medical Centre Board and advised of a number of issues related to the facility, including; ongoing issues related to heating and cooling and ongoing attempts to correct the matter, fundraising discussions, a Board direction that the Chair of the Finance committee attending a Council meeting of each of the member municipalities to deliver a presentation on the Boards' financial standing, an intrusion alarm for the facility and the Community Care rental of a two hundred square foot portion of the vacant lower level space in relation to their "Meals on Wheels" initiative.

Mr. White also advised Council that he had time sensitive information to provide to them that was confidential and potentially litigious in nature, that he would prefer to discuss in a closed session with Council.

Closed Session:

There was no closed session scheduled for this meeting, however a recommendation brought to Council by Mr. W. White and related to information dealing with the Tri Area Medical Centre, Council deemed it prudent, due to the supposed nature and time sensitivity that the decision to proceed into a closed session was made.

14. Simpson-Kramp-Neuman: “To go into Closed Session as permitted under *the Municipal Act, 2001 S.239(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and S. 239(2) (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; to discuss matters related to the Tri Area Medical Centre, with the Clerk and Mr. Wendell White present*”. Carried

15. Simpson-Kramp-Neuman: “To resume as before”. Carried

16. Simpson-Kerby: “That staff follow direction as given in the Closed Session as it relates to the calling of a Special Meeting of Council”. Carried.

Adjournment:

17. Simpson-Kramp-Neuman: “To adjourn”. Carried

Owen Ketcheson
Reeve

Matt MacDonald
CAO/Clerk