

TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH

The Township of Amaranth Council met in the Council Chambers of the municipal office, Laurel, Ontario on April 15, 2009, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	Mayor	D. MacIver
	Deputy-Mayor	W. Kolodziechuk
	Councillor	P. Way
	Councillor	J. Aultman
	Councillor	B. Cowie
	CAO/Clerk-Treasurer	S. Stone
	Director of Public Works	D. Price
	Planner	C. Gervais
	Deputy-Clerk	C. Doherty

1. **Opening of Meeting**

Mayor MacIver called the meeting to order.

2. **Late Submissions** (to be in the office prior to the meeting)

Resolution # 1

Moved by W. Kolodziechuk - Seconded by J. Aultman

Resolved that the following items be hereby added to the agenda.

1. County of Dufferin - 2009 Capital Projects
2. Canada / Ontario Governments - Monies available under the Communities Component of Building Canada Fund & Infrastructure Stimulus Fund
3. AMO position on Bill 150, Green Energy and Green Economy Act
4. ORICA memo from Dan Best re: Emergency Plan Review
5. Ontario Good Roads Association - Intake Two of the Communities Component of the Building Canada Fund (BCF)

Carried.

3. **Approval of Agenda**

3.1 **Resolution # 2**

Moved by P. Way - Seconded by B. Cowie

Resolved that Council approve the agenda as amended. **Carried.**

4. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

Can be declared at any time during the meeting. None declared at this time.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Regular Council Meeting - April 1, 2009

5.1 **Resolution # 3**

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Council do hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held April 1, 2009 as circulated. **Carried.**

7:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

6. **Public Question Period**

Nothing at this time.

7:15 p.m.

7. **Delegations**7.1 **OPP Staff Sergeant Steve Sills - Detachment Commander**
Township of Amaranth 2008 Year End Report

OPP Staff Sergeant Steven Sills and Sergeant David Quinton were in attendance and presented the 2008 Year End Report.

Discussion ensued regarding various matters including the OPP newsletter, which Council indicated they would like to see continued; low speed vehicles legislation, about which Sgt. Quinton will report back to next Amaranth Police Service Board; Sylvanwood Subdivision emergency numbering system, and staff given instructions to follow up with the County regarding compliance.

8. **Public Meeting**

Nothing at this time.

9. **Unfinished Business**

The following matters were received and/or dealt with.

9.1 **Building Maintenance Report**

9.1.1 Update

CAO reported that maintenance matters included in the proposed budget.

9.2 **Dufferin Federation of Agriculture / Amaranth PSB Resolution**

9.2.1 Nuisance recreational vehicle damage to farmers' property

Discussion resulted in the following resolution.

Resolution # 4

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Council do hereby accept the recommendation of the Amaranth Police Services Board to support the resolution from the Dufferin Federation of Agriculture dated February 10, 2009, with respect to ATV's, dirt bikes, 4 wheel drive trucks and snowmobiles trespassing and damaging farmer's crops & fields. **Carried.**

9.3 **PSAB/Asset Management**

9.3.1 Update

Asset list and valuation ongoing. Staff working with GIS technician and auditors.

9.4 **Other**

Nothing at this time.

10. **Road Business**

The following matters were received and/or dealt with.

10.1 **Director of Public Works Report**

10.1.1 Report

Director of Public Works reported.

10.2 **Tender - 2010 Tandem Truck Cab & Chassis**

10.2.1 Decision

Matter deferred to Special Budget Meeting scheduled for April 27, 2009 at 5:00 p.m..

10.3 **Landfill Site**

10.3.1 Update

In conjunction with Earth Day celebrations, resident Heather Foster is organizing a clean-up day on April 25, 2009, and flyers to be distributed to the public accordingly.

10.4 **Town of Mono**

10.4.1 Mono-Amaranth Townline - Speed limit (by-law)

The following resolution as set forth.

Resolution # 5

Moved by J. Aultman - Seconded by W. Kolodziechuk

Resolved that leave be given to introduce a by-law to prescribe the maximum rates of speed on highways under the Township's jurisdiction, being the Mono-Amaranth Townline from County Road 16, northerly to 20 Sideroad; and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and Numbered 21-2009. **Carried.**

10.5 **Other**

Discussion took place concerning the funding applications due May 1st, 2009, and matter to be further discussed at the Special Budget meeting on April 27, 2009, with respect to eligible projects.

11. **Planning**

The following matters were received and/or dealt with:

11.1 **Development Updates**

Nothing at this time.

11.2 **Township of East Luther Grand Valley re: Official Plan Amendment - OPA1-09 & Zoning By-law Amendment Z1-09 for Klause Friesecke/Chris Pattison (Orica Canada Inc.)**

11.2.1 Response and comments from Orica Canada Inc. to the minutes of Public Meeting held March 3/09

11.2.2 Response and comments from Township of Amaranth to the proposed OPA1-09 & Zoning By-law Amendment Z1-09

11.2.3 Notice of Public Meeting for April 14, 2009 - Official Plan Amendment (OPA1-09) & Zoning By-law Amendment (Z1-09)

Township Planner Christine Gervais indicated that correspondence was forwarded to the Township of East Luther Grand Valley indicating comments and concerns formed Council there has been a lot of correspondence concerning the Orica matter.

Councillor Aultman reported on the Public Meeting that she attended in East Luther Grand Valley on April 14th, 2009, at which concerns were raised with respect to traffic, speed, road conditions and spills, also going from a temporary use to a permanent use. A public coalition has been formed who are against this proposal. Staff instructed to get clarification from East Luther Grand Valley with respect to haul routes.

11.3 **Bill 150 - Green Energy Act**

11.3.1 Wind Concerns Ontario - Councils declare opposition to the Green Energy Act

11.3.2 Letter to Provincial Governments

11.3.3 Barbara Ashbee re: Standing Committee

11.3.4 Gladys Meek - Proposed transformer station / wind turbine project

11.3.5 Ontario Professional Planners Institute - Letter to George Smitherman - Minister of Energy & Infrastructure

11.3.6 Grand River Conservation Authority - Letter, Resolution, Report on Bill 150

Staff instructed to forward council resolution regarding Bill 150 to residents who have indicated noise and health related issues, also to Ms. Meek.

11.4 **Canadian Hydro Developers - Noise Issues/Correspondence** (Amaranth Transformer Station, Winter 2009 Acoustic Audit)

11.4.1 Letter Megan Munro / Theresa Kidd

11.4.2 Letter Ministry of the Environment / Thompson, Rogers

Staff instructed to follow up with the MOE with respect to CHD report which indicates non-compliance under ice throw conditions.

11.5 **County of Dufferin Growth Management Meeting - April 29, 2009 @ noon**

11.5.1 Dufferin Oaks Auditorium, Centre Street, Shelburne

Staff instructed to follow up with respect to invitees.

11.6 **Minister of Energy and Infrastructure**

11.6.1 Places to Grow Act, 2005 / Growth Plan for Greater Golden Horseshoe

11.7 **Other**

Township Planner advised Council that there have been no appeals to Zoning By-law # 02-2009, therefore it is now in force, replacing By-law # 69-2004, and

Bylaw #46-88 also no longer in effect. However, Official Plan Amendment # 3 has not yet been approved by Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, which will impact environmental protection zoning for some properties.

12. **By-Law Enforcement**

12.1 **Other**

Staff to follow up on outstanding enforcement matters and report back.

13. **Committee Reports**

All matters read, received and/or dealt with.

13.1 **County of Dufferin**

13.1.1 Emergency Preparedness Week - May 3rd to May 9th, 2009

13.1.2 Emergency Management Exercise - Foreign Animal Disease - April 24, 2009 - 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. @ Monora Park

Discussion resulted in the following resolution.

Resolution # 6

Moved by P. Way - Seconded by B. Cowie

Resolved that Whereas Emergency Preparedness Week is designed to increase public awareness of the risks, planning and preparations that are necessary for any type of emergency. This is accomplished through the common and collaborative efforts of governments and other organizations of the emergency preparedness community.

Whereas The Dufferin Emergency Management Program assists the Township to identify risks, mitigate, prepare, respond to and recover the emergencies. While the Township is doing everything it can to prepare for disaster, residents also have an important role to play in ensuring their own safety during an emergency.

Whereas Emergency preparedness is a shared responsibility and each of us can reduce the risk we face by better understanding what could happen and learning how to better prepare ourselves, our families and our community.

Whereas Each of us must understand the risks inherent to where we live and work and undertake actions that reduce those risks. In this way, we can limit the extent to which an emergency affects us.

Therefore, Council hereby proclaim May 3 to 9, 2009 as “Emergency Preparedness Week” in the Township of Amaranth. **Carried.**

13.2 **Source Water Protection**

13.2.1 Lake Erie Region Source Protection Committee - Minutes of February 5th, 2009 and Meeting Agenda for April 2, 2009 @ 1:00 p.m. - Grand River Conservation Authority Office - Cambridge Ont.

Deputy-Mayor Kolodziechuk has asked Susan Jagminis, Communications Specialist, South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region, to speak on source water protection at an upcoming meeting of Amaranth Council.

Staff to make arrangements with Ms. Jagminis for the May 6, 2009 meeting and invite the Council of the Township of Melancthon to attend as well.

13.3 **Town of Caledon**

13.3.1 POA for February 2009

- 13.4 **DMOA Fire Policy Sub Committee**
- 13.4.1 Meetings - February 20, 2009 & March 27, 2009

- 13.5 **OPP - Joint Police Services Board Meeting**
- 13.5.1 Agenda - April 17, 2009

- 13.6 **Greater Dufferin Area Chamber of Commerce**
- 13.6.1 Newsletter

- 13.7 **Grand Valley & District Community Centre Board**
- 13.7.1 Minutes of March 23, 2009

Deputy-Mayor Kolodziechuk reported on the roof tendering process. The County of Dufferin will be funding \$60,000.00, plus \$25,000.00 towards paving the parking lot. Site preparation will be joint effort between the Township of Amaranth, Township of East Garafraxa and Township of East Luther Grand Valley road departments.

- 13.8 **Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority**
- 13.8.1 2009 Groundwater Overview

- 13.9 **Grand River Conservation Authority**
- 13.9.1 News Release

- 13.10 **Other**

Nothing at this time.

- 14. **General Business & Correspondence**

All matters read, received and dealt with.

- 14.1 **Town of Orangeville - Mayor Rob Adams**
- 14.1.1 Invitation to the 19th Annual Orangeville Prayer Breakfast - Wednesday, April 29, 2009 Orangeville Fair Grounds - 7:00 a.m to 8:30 a.m.

- 14.2 **The Highland Companies**
- 14.2.1 News Release - Welcoming Nurse Practitioner/Farm Information Update
- 14.2.2 Advertisement in local newspaper - Farm Update
- 14.2.3 Letter to the Editor, 2 News Releases - Distribution of information video to households and update to attract the YMCA to the region

- 14.3 **Waterloo Wellington Training & Adjustment Board**
- 14.3.1 March Edition - Work Force Focus

- 14.4 **A.M.O.**
- 14.4.1 Federal Gas Tax
- 14.4.2 PST/GST Harmonization & Anticipated Infrastructure Stimulus Investment
- 14.4.3 Invitation to Consult - Great Lakes Vision, Goals, Strategies

- 14.5 **Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing**
- 14.5.1 2009 Ontario Budget

- 14.6 **Other**

Nothing at this time.

15. **By-Laws**

15.1 **Mutual Aid By-law**

Resolution # 7

Moved by J. Aultman - Seconded by W. Kolodziechuk

Resolved that leave be given to introduce a by-law to authorize the participation of the Grand Valley and District Fire Department and the Shelburne and District Fire Department in the County of Dufferin Mutual Aid Plan and Program and that it be given the necessary readings and passed and Numbered 22-2009. **Carried.**

16. **Late Submissions**

All matters read, received and dealt with.

16.1 **County of Dufferin**
2009 Capital Projects

16.2 **Canada/Ontario Governments**
Monies available under the Communities Component of Building Canada Fund & Infrastructure Stimulus Fund

16.3 **AMO Position on Bill 150, Green Energy and Green Economy Act**

16.4 **ORICA Memo from Dan Best**
Emergency Plan Review

16.5 **Ontario Good Roads Association**
Intake Two of the Communities Component of The Building Canada Fund (BCF)

17. **General Accounts and Road Accounts**

Resolution # 8

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that general bills and accounts in the amount of \$884,931.07 for the period of March 12, 2009 to April 15, 2009, be approved for payment. **Carried.**

Resolution # 9

Moved by B. Way - Seconded by B. Cowie

Resolved that road department bills and accounts in the amount of \$65,571.10 for the period of March 12, 2009 to April 15, 2009, be approved for payment. **Carried.**

18. **New Business**

18.1 **Other**

Nothing at this time.

19. **Closed Meeting**

Nothing at this time.

20. **Confirming By-law****Resolution # 10**

Moved by W. Kolodziechuk - Seconded by J. Aultman

Resolved that leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular meeting of Council of the Township of Amaranth for April 15, 2009, and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and Numbered 23-2009. **Carried.**

21. **Adjournment****Resolution # 11**

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Council do now adjourn to meet again on May 6, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor, and on April 27, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. for Special Council Meeting with respect to 2009 Budget. **Carried.**

Susan M. Stone

CLERK

Don MacIver

HEAD OF COUNCIL