

TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH

The Township of Amaranth Council met in the Council Chambers of the municipal office on February 4, 2009, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT:	Mayor	D. MacIver
	Deputy-Mayor	W. Kolodziechuk
	Councillor	J. Aultman
	Councillor	P. Way
	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 opened the meeting.

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

2.1 **Resolution # 1**

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that the following items be hereby added to / deleted from the agenda.

Added:

1. Township of East Luther Grand Valley
Resolution - Representation at County Council
2. Closed Meeting - Item #15
By-law Enforcement Matters & OMB Matters - Update
Personnel Matter

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 - January 21, 2009

5.1 **Resolution # 3**

Moved by J. Aultman - Seconded by W. Kolodziechuk

Resolved that Council do hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held January 21, 2009 as printed and circulated. **Carried.**

10: 00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.**6. Public Question Period**

Nothing at this time.

10:15 a.m.**7. Delegations**

Nothing at this time.

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/Clerk-Treasurer updated Council with respect to painting the facility and quotes being requested with respect to flooring.

9.2 Township Policies / Job Descriptions

Draft job description discussed.

9.3 Adopt-A-Road Program

Draft policy and agreement were provided to Council.
Issues discussed were signage, advertising, clean up, safety measurers, recycling separation, parking issues, and term of agreements.
Revised version to be brought back to next meeting.

9.4 Development Charges Indexing

Discussion resulted in Council not indexing the development charge for 2009, and staff instructed to obtain quotes for the Development Charge Study due this year.

9.5 PSAB/AMP

Inventory gathering and costing ongoing.

9.6 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 Doug Price reported to Council on roads related matters.

10.2 **Landfill Site**

10.2.1 Update

Nothing to report.

10.3 **Gravel Crushing/Gravel Hauling/Calcium Spreading**

10.3.1 Resolution re: tendering

The following resolution was set forth.

Resolution # 4

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Council instructs the Director of Public Works to tender for gravel crushing, gravel hauling and calcium spreading, as required. **Carried.**

10.4 **Bridge Opening Ceremony**

10.4.1 Details: Ceremony - February 13/09 @ 11:00 a.m.

Bridge 009 at 8th Line, Lot 11, north of County Road 109 (Twp. of Amaranth)

10.5 **Other**

Nothing at this time.

11. **Planning**

The following matters were received and/or dealt with:

11.1 **Consent Application B1-09 - Schild: Doug & Christine (Owner) / Van Harten Surveying (Applicant) Con. 1, Lot 28 (Severance #1) - Decision**

Creation of a new lot

11.2 **Consent Application B2-09 - Schild: Doug & Christine (Owner) / Van Harten Surveying (Applicant) Con. 1, Lot 28 (Severance #2) - Decision**

Creation of a new lot

Both applications dealt with at same time.

Adrien Maes - Van Harten Surveying, on behalf of applicants, and Bruce Horsley, Township resident, were in attendance.

Township Planner addressed Council, providing report outlining responses to all issues raised at the Public Meeting, and recommended applications be approved. Further discussion resulted in the following resolutions.

Resolution # 5

Moved by J. Aultman - Seconded by W. Kolodziechuk

Resolved that Consent Application B1-09 by Doug & Christine Schild - Owner & Van Harten Surveying - Applicant, for consent to create a new lot 20.5 ha.

(50.6 ac) from Concession 1, West Part Lot 28 be approved.

Reasons: Conforms to the Township Official Plan.

Conditions:

Park dedication in the amount of \$250.00

Taxes paid in full

Rezoning required on severed parcel

Site Plan required on severed parcel

Conservation Authority approval on both parcels
 Entrance Permit required on severed portion
 Approval of septic system on severed parcel
 Plan of Survey required on severed and retained parcels (paper & digital format)
 Consent Agreement to be registered on title on severed and retained parcels (to include requirement for fencing around boundaries of severed parcel, with exception of road frontage, when required by adjacent landowner)
 Road widening required along the whole frontage of the property, severed and retained parcels
 Road widening shall be conveyed to the appropriate road authority, on the severed and retained parcels, in accordance with applicable road authority policies
 If road widening has been obtained at an earlier date, condition would not apply
 Any unregistered road widenings to be deeded to the Township or appropriate road authority
 That any road widening, easement, survey cost, legal cost and cost of any other transaction, pertaining to this application shall be borne by the applicant. A Certificate of Title to be provided showing no encumbrances on lands for road widening purposes. All conditions must be fulfilled and Certificate of Clerk issued for the severed lot within one year of the date of this Notice of Decision; failing to do so, application is null and void.

Carried.

Resolution # 6

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Consent Application B2-09 by Doug & Christine Schild - Owner & Van Harten Surveying - Applicant, for consent to create a new lot 18.5 ha. (45.7 ac.) from Concession 1, West Part Lot 28, be approved.

Reasons: Conforms to the Township Official Plan.

Conditions:

Park dedication in the amount of \$250.00

Taxes paid in full

Rezoning required on severed parcel

Site Plan required on severed parcel

Conservation Authority approval on both parcels

Entrance Permit required on severed portion

Approval of septic system on severed parcel

Plan of Survey required on severed and retained parcels (paper & digital format)

Consent Agreement to be registered on title on severed and retained parcels (to include requirement for fencing around boundaries of severed parcel, with exception of road frontage, when required by adjacent landowner)

Road widening required along the whole frontage of the property, severed and retained parcels

Road widening shall be conveyed to the appropriate road authority, on the severed and retained parcels, in accordance with applicable road authority policies

If road widening has been obtained at an earlier date, condition would not apply

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Carried.

- 11.3 **Township of East Luther Grand Valley**
 11.3.1 Notice of Public Meeting for proposed Zoning By-law Amendment - Feb. 10/09
 @ 7:00 p.m. - ELGV Municipal Office, 5 Main St. N. Grand Valley, Ont.
- Township Planner reviewed the proposal and has no concerns with lands adjacent to Amaranth Township.
 East Luther Grand Valley Township and Amaranth Township will consult on planning matters on a regular basis.
- 11.4 **Grand Valley Wind Farms Inc.**
 11.4.1 Ontario Municipal Board Decision
- OMB decision was discussed.
- 11.5 **Canadian Hydro Developers Inc.**
 11.5.1 Township of Melancthon Wind Plant - Noise Issues
- Noise issues discussed. Council agreed if there is a problem, then should be corrected.
 Staff directed to write to Ministry of Environment regarding this issue.
- 11.6 **Other**
- Nothing at this time.
12. **By-Law Enforcement**
- Nothing at this time.
13. **Committee Reports**
- All matters read, received and/or dealt with.
- 13.1 **County of Dufferin**
 13.1.1 Township of East Luther Grand Valley - Representation
- 13.2 **Amaranth Recreation Committee**
 13.2.1 Update
- Staff instructed to invite Amaranth Recreation Co-ordinator Kevin Ewen to an upcoming meeting of Council to discuss recreation programs for the 2009 season.
- 13.3 **Amaranth Economic Development Committee**
 13.3.1 Draft Minutes - Jan. 7/09
- Councillor Aultman discussed EDC matters and invited both Council and staff to attend the March 4, 2009 meeting, as Sue Powell from OMAFRA is conducting a power point presentation on grants and loans to small businesses.
- 13.4 **Police Service Boards**
 13.4.1 Town of Mono PSB - Minutes of November 4/08
 13.4.2 West Perth PSB - Resolution to review system of sentencing
- 13.5 **DMOA**
 13.5.1 Minutes - December 12/09
- 13.6 **Orangeville Fire Service Advisory Committee**
 13.6.1 Notes submitted by Councillor Aultman of meeting - January 21/09

13.7 **Shelburne Public Library Board**

13.7.1 Minutes - December 15/08

13.7.2 2009 Budget

Councillor Cowie addressed the Shelburne Library budget for 2009, stating there is an increase in Amaranth's share.

Further discussion resulted in Councillor Cowie to report back on this issue, and representatives from the Shelburne Library Board to be invited to the March 4, 2009 Council meeting for further clarification.

13.8 **Grand Valley Public Library Board**

13.8.1 Minutes - January 14/09

13.9 **Grand River Conservation Authority**

13.9.1 Preliminary 2009 Budget & Levy Meeting - February 27/09

Resolution # 7

Moved by W. Kolodziechuk - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Council do hereby request that the Grand River Conservation Authority revisit their 2009 Budget Levy of 6.17% and reduce the overall percentage to under 3%;

And Further that representatives from the GRCA be invited to attend an upcoming meeting of Amaranth Council to present and discuss budget prior to passing.

Carried.

13.10 **Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority**

13.10.1 Resolution from Town of New Tecumseth - NVCA 2009 Preliminary Budget & Municipal Levy

13.11 **Other**

Shelburne & District Fire Board

Councillor Bill Cowie has recently been appointed Chairperson of the Shelburne & District Fire Board.

13.12 **Grand Valley & District Fire Board**

Councillor Jane Aultman reported with respect to discussions regarding need for a Fire Prevention Officer.

14. **General Business & Correspondence**

All matters read, received and dealt with.

14.1 **Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health**

14.1.1 Operation and regulation of Small Drinking Water Systems (SDWS) in Ontario

Staff to follow up on training session and on implications with respect to new regulations.

14.2 **Town of Shelburne**

14.2.1 Indigent Funeral Payment - Resolution

14.3 **Rural Connections (OMAFRA)**

14.3.1 Reminder - Rural Connections Broadband Program Intake Two Closes - Feb.12/09

14.4 **A.M.O.**

- 14.4.1 New Infrastructure Funding
- 14.4.2 Federal Budget Measures for Infrastructure, Housing & Employment Insurance
The possibility of infrastructure funding being made available for a new recreation facility in Amaranth, was discussed.
Councillor Cowie spoke about portable structures which could be used for this purpose, and will bring more information to the next meeting.
Matter to be brought back under Amaranth Recreation Committee matters.
- 14.5 **Ontario Good Roads Association**
- 14.5.1 Federal Budget, 2009
- 14.6 **Other**
- Nothing at this time.
15. **Closed Meeting**
- Resolution # 8**
- Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way
- Resolved** that Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reason(s):
Personal matters about identifiable individual(s), including employees
Litigation or potential litigation
Carried.
- Resolution # 9**
- Moved by P. Way - Seconded by B.Cowie
- Resolved** that Council do now rise and report from closed meeting, and resume regular business. **Carried.**
- Staff received instructions during Closed Session regarding follow up with respect to Bylaw Enforcement, Legal and Personnel matters.
16. **By-laws (if any)**
- 16.1 **Resolution # 10**
- Moved by P. Way - Seconded by B. Cowie
- Resolved** that leave be given to introduce a by-law in respect of which money is borrowed under the Tile Drainage Act imposing special annual drainage rates upon certain lands; and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and Number 10-2009. **Carried.**
17. **Late Submissions**
- All matters read, received and dealt with.
- 17.1 **Township of East Luther Grand Valley**
Resolution - Representation at County Council
- Dealt with earlier in the meeting.
- 17.2 **Closed Meeting - Item # 15**
By-law Enforcement Matters, OMB Matters, Personnel Matter - Update
- Dealt with earlier in the meeting.

18. **General Accounts and Road Accounts**

Nothing at this time.

19. **Budget Report**

A budget summary report was provided to Council and discussed.
Further review, analysis and discussion deferred till next council meeting.

20. **New Business**

All matters read, received and dealt with.

20.1 **Other**

Canada Day Celebration

Deputy-Mayor Kolodziechuk confirmed his intention of organizing the Amaranth Canada Day Celebrations again this year.
Staff instructed to inquire as to any funding available through Provincial or Federal government.

Country Meadows

Brief update.

Amaranth Resident (7th Line) re: Wind Farm Noise Complaint

Letter of response to noise complaint, was received by Mrs. Ashbee-Lormand from the Ministry of Environment; however the MOE letter did not appear to answer Mrs. Ashbee-Lormand's issues.

21. **Confirming By-law**

21.1 **Resolution # 11**

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

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 February 4, 2009 and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and Numbered 11-2009.
Carried._____

22. **Adjournment**

22.1 **Resolution # 12**

Moved by J. Aultman - Seconded by W. Kolodziechuk

Resolved that Council do now adjourn to meet again on February 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. **Carried.**

Susan M. Stone

CLERK

Don MacIver

HEAD OF COUNCIL