



**TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH
SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, October 14, 2009**

The Township of Amaranth Council met in the Council Chambers of the municipal office, Laurel, Ontario on October 14, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. for a Special Meeting of Council, at the call of the Mayor, for the purpose of the Sand / Salt Dome Agreement with the County of Dufferin.

PRESENT:	Mayor	D. MacIver
	Deputy-Mayor	W. Kolodziechuk
	Councillor	J. Aultman
	Councillor	P. Way
	Councillor	B. Cowie
	CAO/Clerk-Treasurer	S. Stone
	Deputy-Clerk	C. Doherty (till 4:30 p.m.)

ABSENT:	Director of Public Works	D. Price (vacation)
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1. **OPENING OF MEETING**

Mayor MacIver called meeting to order.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Resolution # 1

Moved by B. Cowie - Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Council do hereby approve the agenda as circulated.
Carried.

3. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST WITH REASONS**

Nothing at this time.

4. **SAND / SALT DOME**

Mayor MacIver reviewed the proceedings at the County Council meeting on October 8/09, which resulted in a motion which defeated the agreement between the County and Township of Amaranth.

Both the Mayor and Deputy-Mayor declared pecuniary interest on this matter at the County Council meeting and County Council member John Oosterhof was absent. If the matter to be reconsidered at a later date, outcome will depend on Councillor Oosterhof's vote; however, with respect to a July, 2009 motion with respect to the same matter, Councillor Oosterhof was not in favour of the agreement.

Options such as requesting further consideration by the County, or Township financing the venture and utilizing the entire structure discussed. Council went into Closed Meeting to further discuss and to consider Solicitor's Advice.

5. **CLOSED MEETING**

5.1. Advice that is subject to Solicitor – Client Privilege

Resolution # 2

Moved by P. Way – Seconded by B. Cowie

Resolved that Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended for the following reason(s):
Advice that is subject to Solicitor-Client privilege. **Carried.**

Resolution # 3

Moved by W. Kolodziechuk – Seconded by J. Aultman

Resolved that Council do now rise and report from closed meeting, and resume regular business. **Carried.**

The following motion resulted from the closed meeting session.

Resolution # 4

Moved by B. Cowie – Seconded by P. Way

Resolved that Whereas County of Dufferin had planned to establish a location for the storage for winter road maintenance to provide a timely service to those residents traveling on County roads in the south of Dufferin and to economize on staff time and to reduce fuel consumption thereby reducing carbon emissions;
And Whereas the County of Dufferin requested that they be permitted to utilize the Township works yard located at Concesison 4, West Part Lot 1 to construct a salt storage facility, and funds were allocated in the 2009 County budget accordingly;
And Whereas the Township of Amaranth offered to enter into a lease arrangement for the storage of road salt at the Township of Amaranth works facility on County Road 12;
And Whereas on the 9th of July, 1009, County Council passed a resolution to enter into an agreement with the Township of Amaranth for a shared salt dome, and to pay for one third of the costs;
And Whereas County and Township staff have spent considerable time and effort development a draft lease agreement;
And Whereas the Council of the Township of Amaranth proceeded with the construction of the sand/salt facility in good faith, utilizing funding acquired through the Infrastructure Stimulus fund;
And Whereas on the 8th of October, 2009, County Council defeated the motion to enter into the said agreement, thereby backing out of their commitment to participate resulting in substantial financial implications for the Township of Amaranth;
Now Therefore the Council of the Township of Amaranth request that County Council reconsider its motion of the 8th of October, 2009 regarding the sand/salt dome agreement. **Carried.**

6. **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Resolution # 5

Moved by J. Aultman – Seconded by W.Kolodziechuk

Resolved that leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the special meeting of Council of the Township of Amaranth for October 14, 2009; and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and Numbered 54-2009. **Carried.**

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution # 6

Moved by P. Way - Seconded by B. Cowie

Resolved that Council do now adjourn to meet again on October 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. **Carried.**

Susan M. Stone
CLERK

Don MacIver
HEAD OF COUNCIL