

The Council of the Township of East Garafraxa held their regular meeting of Council in the Administration Office, Laurel, Ontario on February 14, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Councillors Frances Pinkney, Guy Gardhouse, Tom Nevills, and Deputy-Mayor Allen Taylor were present with Mayor Earl Lennox presiding. Susan M. Stone, C.A.O./Clerk-Treasurer; Nadine Tischhauser, Planner; and David Menary, Director of Public Works, were also in attendance.

OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor Lennox brought the meeting to order.

1. AGENDA

- a. Approval of Agenda
- b. Added Items - nothing at this time.

2. MINUTES

- a. Council Minutes - motion to approve January 24th, 2006 minutes as circulated.
- b. Business arising from minutes - Nothing at this time.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST WITH REASONS

Can be declared now or at anytime during the meeting. No disclosures at this time.

4. DELEGATIONS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

- a. 2:00 p.m. Joe Miedema, Dufferin Water Company Ltd. attended to present annual and summary reports for 2005. Motion to receive and post documents carried. Also reviewed MOE Inspection Report from October, 2005, and follow up. All required items have been addressed.
- b. 3:00 p.m. Shann Leighton, CEO and Krys Gazo of Grand Valley Public Library attended to present the 2005 year end report and 2006 budget. Motion to approve.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Marsville Water System ~ Update provided under Delegations Item a.
- b. Ministry of Environment re Funding for Technical Studies on Municipal Drinking Water - GRCA application on behalf of municipality
- c. Marsville Hall renovations - Update - Director of Public Works reported on meeting with the Fire Inspector. Most items complete on the deficiency list, other than development of fire safety plan, and the work required on council chambers upstairs. Moving kitchen to Hall entrance not recommended.
- d. East Garafraxa Central Public School re Township donation for new Junior Playground Structure - Received.
- e. Other - nothing at this time.

6. COUNTY COUNCIL BUSINESS

The following items were received:

- a. County Council re:
 - i. Council Minutes January 12, 2006
 - ii. Government Services Committee January 26, 2006
 - iii. Grand Valley Ambulance Station Report dated February 1, 2006
 - iv. Dufferin Composts! Program - Conversion to Green Bins Report dated Jan.31/06
 - v. Bylaw 2006-12 - Amending Development Charges to exempt Places of Worship
 - vi. County Council Addendum - Treasurer's Year End Financial Report
- b. Other - Nothing at this time.

7. COMMITTEES

The following items were received:

- a. Dufferin Municipal Officers Association Minutes January 20, 2006
- b. Orangeville Public Library Non-Resident User Pay Policy - reimbursement of membership discussed. Council will continue to reimburse \$100.00 per household annually, if receipt provided.

- c. Grand Valley Public Library -
 - i. Annual Report and 2006 Budget (Shann Leighton attending) - Budget approved.
 - ii. Township of East Luther Grand Valley resolution approving budget
 - iii. Usage Report
- d. Grand Valley Agricultural Society re 2006 sponsorship
- e. Ontario Good Roads Association re nomination process
- f. OGRA/ROMA Conference re Cowan Reception
- g. Town of Caledon POA Revenue December 2005 - \$1040.29
- h. Greater Dufferin Area Chamber of Commerce re Chamber News & Views January 2006
- i. Grand River Conservation Authority
 - i. Grand Actions January/February Issue
 - ii. GRCA Planning Fees - Revised effective Feb.1/06
 - iii. GRCA's Response to Places to Grow Proposed Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe
 - iv. GRCA Digital Orthoimagery update
 - v. Resolutions from East Luther Grand Valley and Amaranth

Council discussed method of calculation levy, also membership of the Board. Motion passed recommending that Board members be elected representatives, and staff instructed to write letter suggesting that the levy be apportioned in accordance with the Act, and that utilizing water budget should be investigated as possible method of apportionment.
- j. CVC
 - i. Minutes of January 20, 2006 meeting
 - ii. Credit River Water Management Strategy Update and Flow Management Study re Board Meeting December 9, 2005
 - iii. Credit River Management Strategy Update Meeting Notes re Steering Committee Meeting December 13, 2005
 - iv. Generic Regulation dated Jan. 26/06
 - v. Email from CVC re Generic Regulation Background Document, January 26, 2006
 - vi. Township of Stone Mills re Conservation Authority Levy appeal
- k. Other - Orthogenxx meeting held in Shelburne discussed. Mayor Lennox explained that Town of Shelburne has retained Lyle Parsons of Burnsides to do peer review of the study. Mayor Lennox suggested that municipalities should concentrate on one aspect of the waste stream, but will have to extend beyond Dufferin in order to generate enough waste.

8. ROADS DEPARTMENT:

- a. Michael Joaquin re 11th Line - Letter of complaint regarding speed and condition of 11th Line discussed. Staff instructed to respond that reduced speed required as it would not be possible to remove 8 feet of hill to allow increase in speed, and that though the road will eventually be reconstructed, will still be 40 to 50 km. speed limit. It was agreed that work from Townline to 5 Sideroad will be delayed for approximately one year to allow completion of the road works up to the bridge, and that work on the lower end, which would commence in 2007-2008 would take more than one year.
- b. Other - Flanagan in process of trimming trees, and Township will initiate programme to buy 50 sugar maples annually to replace the removed trees on the 19th Line. Also CUPE strike may occur, and Caledon has contacted the Township regarding maintaining their section of Townline in the event of a strike.

9. PLANNING AND BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS:

The following items were received:

- a. Places to Grow Proposed Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe - Responses
 - i. Town of Shelburne
 - ii. Town of Orangeville
 - iii. Township of Amaranth
 - iv. Town of Mono
 - v. Township of New Tecumseth
 - vi. County of Dufferin (Weston Consulting Group Inc.)
 - vii. Township of Melancthon
 - viii. Township of East Garafraxa

Mayor Lennox reported that the County has a delegation meeting with the Minister at the ROMA conference to discuss the Plan and the impacts on the County.
- b. Town of Orangeville Public Meeting Feb. 13/06 re Zoning Amendment Application Z 8/05 and Subdivision Application S 3/05 - Tribunal Developments Inc., Part of Lots 4 & 5, Concession C
- c. Town of The Blue Mountains re Section 23 of Bill 51 - to exempt all energy projects in Ontario from requirements of the Planning Act - Resolution - Staff to respond.
- d. MNR re Universal Sand and Gravel - Copy of report pending.

- e. Policy Document for procedures for approval of Plans of Subdivision -Council reviewed policies, and passed resolution adopting policies. Tree Inventory added to 7 (b).
- f. Policy Document for procedures for approval of Wind Projects - Council reviewed document and suggested amendments, such as requirement for security deposit re decommissioning and rehabilitation of turbine sites, to prohibit additional clutter being placed on the turbines such as signage, and to add private air strips to item c)
- g. Bill 51 - Planning Reform and OMB Reform Information
- h. Township of Melancthon resolution re smaller scale electrical wind generation projects - Motion of support for next meeting.
- i. Municipality of Grey Highlands re renewable and non-renewable energy projects - Motion of support for next meeting.
- j. Tariff of Fees for Planning Matters - Amending Bylaw - Discussion regarding security deposits for planning applications. It was agreed that new bylaw be passed incorporating deposits, and that different levels of security will be required for different types of applications.
- k. Site Plan Control Bylaw - Deferred until future meeting.
- l. Other - nothing at this time.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

The following items were received:

- a. Ministries of Finance and Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - i. Joint Letter re 2006 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Allocations (OMPF)
 - ii. 2006 Allocation Notice
- b. Ontario Provincial Police re
 - i. News Releases January 23, 24, 30, 31, Feb. 2, 2006
 - ii. Retirement Celebration for Sgt. Kolodziechuk - April 22, 2006.
- c. Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Drainage Act Grants and Tile Loan Programs
- d. Ontario Heritage Foundation re Young Heritage Leaders Program
- e. Frank Cowan Company Limited re Risk Management
- f. Northumberland County re Bill 206 OMERS
- g. Foundation for Rural Living Awards of Rural Excellence
- h. AMO remuneration and expenses of council appointees to AMO Board for 2005
- i. Pitch-In Ontario re 2006 Pitch In Week
- j. Township of Essa re Composition of NVCA Board
- k. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re 2006 Central Ontario Municipal Conference April 24, 2006
- l. Township of Melancthon re Amnesty Program
- m. Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs re Tornado Relief
- n. O-I Comments to Stewardship Ontario Blue Box Funding Review Committee
- o. Municipality of Grey Highlands resolution re renewable and non-renewable energy projects
- p. Ministry of Culture re Ontario Heritage Act Amendmets
- q. AMO Alerts
 - i. OMERS Bill 206
 - ii. Pre-Budget Submission to Close Fiscal Gap
 - iii. New Pension Costs on Municipalities and Taxpayers
 - iv. Changes to Ontario Disability Support Program
 - v. Province Announces Improvements to OMPF
 - vi. AMO Submission on Bill 36, Local Health System Integration Act, 2005
 - vii. URGENT MATTER re CUPE Strike
- r. Niagara Region re Minimum Capital Program Funding
- s. Other

11. BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

- a. Roads and General - none at this time.

12. BY-LAWS

- a. Confirming - Bylaw number 8-2006 passed.
- b. Other(s)

13. LEGAL, PROPERTY and PERSONNEL

- a. Property Matters (1)
- b. Legal Matters
- c. Personnel Matters

No In Camera session held.

14. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Sandhill Disposal & Recycling Inc. re Annual Price Adjustment - Received.
- b. Burnside re Drainage Superintendent Services July to December, 2005.
- c. Joint Council Dinner - March 30, 2006.
- d. Development Charges Report for 2005 - Deferred until next meeting.
- e. Council Expense Report for 2005 - Motion to accept.
- f. Development Charge Indexing - Motion to approve 4.78%.
- g. Tax Write Offs Report for 2005 - Motion to accept.
- h. Other - Nothing at this time.

15. BULLETINS AND INFORMATION

- a. Municipal World February, 2006
- b. Other

RESOLUTIONS:**MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY NEVILLS**

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held January 24, 2006 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY**

THAT Council receive the Municipal Summary Report and Annual Report for 2005 for the Marsville Water System prepared by Dufferin Water Company Ltd. and that the reports be available for review by the public and that the water system users be advised accordingly.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE**

THAT Council approve the Grand valley Public Library 2006 budget in the amount of \$178,8884.; East Garafraxa's share being \$26,483.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY TAYLOR**

THAT municipal representatives who sit on the Grand River Conservation Authority should be limited to elected officials, whose roll is to maintain the financial integrity of each municipality and who are responsible to their constituents for sound financial decisions, and that this resolution be circulated to all member municipalities of the Grand River Conservation Authority seeking their support.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY TAYLOR**

THAT Council receive the Memo PLN 06-06 from Nadine Tischhauser, Township Planner; and that the documents entitled "Application requirements fo Commercial Wind Energy (Turbine) Facilities" dated February 2006 be adopted as amended as a planning policy for the Township of East Garafraxa.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY**

THAT Council receive the Memo PLN 06-05 from Nadine Tischhauser, Township Planner; and that the documents entitled "Procedures and Guidelines for Approval of Plan of Subdivision Application", dated February 2006 be adopted a planning policy for the Township of East Garafraxa.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY**

THAT Council Remuneration and Expenses for 2005 be adopted in accordance with the Municipal Act S.O. 2001.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY LENNOX, SECONDED BY TAYLOR**

THAT Council do hereby authorize 2005 Tax Write Offs in the amount of \$23,532.48; Township portion being \$9,506.79.

CARRIED.**MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY NEVILLS**

THAT pursuant to Development Charge By-Law 33-2004 for the Township of East Garafraxa that Development Charges increase 4.78% in accordance with the Capital Expenditure Price Statistics report, to \$7,482.42.

CARRIED.

MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

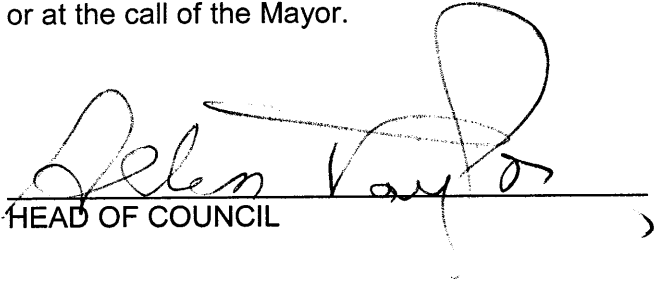
THAT Council set the mileage rate per kilometre at 42 cents, effective January 2006. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY NEVILLS

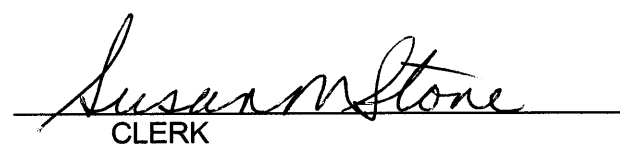
THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the February 14, 2006, meeting of the Council of the Township of East Garafraxa, and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 8-2006. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY

THAT Council hereby adjourn to meet again February 28, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Administration Office, Laurel, or at the call of the Mayor. **CARRIED.**



HEAD OF COUNCIL



CLERK