

The Council of the Township of East Garafraxa held their regular meeting of Council in the Administration Office, Laurel, Ontario on January 8, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. Councillors Fran Pinkney, Tom Nevills, Allan Boynton, and Deputy Mayor Guy Gardhouse were present with Mayor Allen Taylor presiding. Susan M. Stone, C.A.O./Clerk-Treasurer, David Menary, Director of Public Works and Tracey Atkinson, Planner were also in attendance.

OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor Taylor brought the meeting to order.

1 AGENDA

- 1.1 Approval of Agenda
- 1.2 Added Items - None at this time.

2 MINUTES

- 2.1 Council Minutes - December 11, 2007 - approved as circulated.
- 2.2 Other -
Mayor Taylor reported on drainage meeting in Marsville held regarding Hostrawser Drainage Works. Discussion was focused on agricultural interests versus environmental interests.

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST WITH REASONS

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

4 DELEGATIONS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

- 4.1 2:30 p.m. John Devins & Violet Bromley - Sandhill Disposal
Submitted a new contract for a period of six (6) years. Council concurred with request that insurance Performance Bond, and amount will be 50% of the contract value, as opposed to 100% in the previous agreement.
- 4.2 Other - nothing at this time.

5 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following was received/dealt with:

- 5.1 County of Dufferin Tax Ratios - Motion re maintaining status quo
- 5.1.1 Town of Mono re Tax Ratios
- 5.2 Utilities Study - Proposed Terms of Reference - draft received, and matter deferred until next Council meeting.
- 5.3 Hydro One - Bruce to Milton Project
- 5.3.1 Amended Terms of Reference December 21, 2007
- 5.3.2 Notice re amended terms of reference
- 5.3.3 Bruce to Milton Landowner Workshops
- 5.3.4 Trevor Wilson - Powerline Connections - including correspondence from Ted Arnott to the Minister of Energy - staff instructed to send similar letter. Deputy-Mayor Gardhouse to follow up with Hydro One regarding Orton Park.
- 5.4 Other
- 5.4.1 ROMA/OGRA Conference - confirmation of attendees. Also, there will only be one Council meeting in February, 2008, being February 12, 2008.
- 5.4.2 Status of Marsville Hall renovations discussed. Also, generator and outside lighting.

6 COUNTY COUNCIL BUSINESS

The following were received:

- 6.1 Council In Brief December 13, 2007
- 6.2 Watson and Associates Building Permit Rate Review Phase 1
- 6.3 Zero Waste Solutions "Anaerobic Digestion Green Bin Waste to Energy Solution"
- 6.4 County of Dufferin Building Permit 2007 report
- 6.5 Other
- 6.5.1 Staff instructed to request County of Dufferin consider changing name of County Road 24 to Trafalgar, to avoid difficulties and confusion experienced by travellers, due to current situation, and that the County of Wellington and Town of Erin be copied.
- 6.5.2 B Line/County Road 23 - no cost estimates received at this time. Winter maintenance agreement has been made between the County and the Town of Orangeville for 2008.

7 COMMITTEES

The following were received:

- 7.1 Dufferin Municipal Officers Association
- 7.1.1 Minutes November 23, 2007
- 7.1.2 Growth Management Steering Committee Minutes December 3, 2007
- 7.1.3 Treasury Sub-Committee Minutes December 13, 2007
- 7.2 Grand Valley Public Library Board Minutes December 12, 2007
- 7.3 Town of Caledon POA Revenue Oct. 2007
- 7.4 Town of Orangeville Fire Advisory Committee Agenda Nov. 28, 2007; Minutes Feb. 2007 - Councillor Nevills reported.
- 7.5 Groves Community Stakeholders Group for Health Professionals Agenda Nov. 8, 2007
- 7.6 Lake Erie Source Protection Region
- 7.6.1 Minutes November 28, 2007
- 7.6.2 Workplan
- 7.7 Upper Grand Watershed Committee ~ 2008 GRCA Budget presentation Jan. 24, 2008 6:45 p.m. - Deputy Mayor Gardhouse and Councillor Nevills to attend.
- 7.8 CVC
- 7.8.1 2008 Budget and Work Plan Estimates and Levy Notice
- 7.8.2 Currents and Climate Change in our Watershed
- 7.9 GRCA
- 7.9.1 Culvert Permit approval Con 12, West pt. Lot 20
- 7.9.2 GRCA Minutes December 2007 and January 2008
- 7.9.3 Grand Actions
- 7.10 Other -
- 7.10.1 Grand Valley Fire Board - Deputy Mayor Gardhouse reported.
- 7.10.2 Grand Valley Community Centre - Councillor Boynton reported.
- 7.10.3 Grand Valley Medical Dental Board - Mayor Taylor reported.

8 ROADS DEPARTMENT:

The following were received and/or dealt with:

- 8.1 OGRA Milestones December 2007
- 8.2 Weed spraying discussion - Director of Public Works reported that last time municipality sprayed for weeds was in 2004. There have been no complaints and it was agreed that cutting is more important visually.
- 8.3 Other
- 8.3.1 Discussion regarding New Municipal Infrastructure Funding - 12th Line Bridge suggested as possibility for application, and will require significant repair within the next 5 years. The 13th Line Bridge will also need repair, however, within 6 - 10 years. Matter to be brought back to next council meeting.
- 8.3.2 Motion re tendering passed.

9 PLANNING AND BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS:

The following matters were received and/or dealt with:

- 9.1 Growth Management Planning Study Consulting Services Request for Proposal and Study Steering Committee Terms of Reference.
- 9.2 Township of East Luther Grand Valley Official Plan - Planner Tracey Atkinson reported that she notified the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing the Township was not circulated, and that comments/concerns may be forthcoming.
- 9.3 Berkshire Homes Proposed Marsville Community Plan December 19, 2007 - proposal discussed and Council agreeable that Berkshire will meet with Planning Advisory Committee as a first step for public consultation. Meeting set for February 5, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Marsville, and proponents to provide information/documentation packages accordingly.
- 9.4 Natures Landing
- 9.4.1 Email: January 3, 2008
- 9.4.2 Email: December 21, 2007
- 9.4.3 R. J. Burnside December 17, 2007 and reports Dave Hopkins; Peter Somers
- 9.5 Town of Erin Notice of Passing of Comprehensive Zoning By-Law
- 9.6 Other
- 9.6.1 Draft Request for Proposal (RFP) provided with respect to proposed Utilities Study. Matter deferred until next Council meeting.

10 CORRESPONDENCE

The following were received:

- 10.1 Charles Hooker correspondence "Unreasonable Laws"
- 10.2 Murray Burnett re High Speed Internet
- 10.3 Westside Secondary School - Acknowledgment
- 10.4 Township of Melancthon - Justices of the Peace Shortage
- 10.5 City of Owen Sound resolution re GST disbursement to municipalities
- 10.6 Town of Mono re Loss of Municipal Funding to Provincial Tax Rebate Programs (Burpee Mills) - resolution of support for next meeting.
- 10.7 Town of Mono resolution Application for Permit to Take Water
- 10.8 Township of Brock resolution proposed changes re Non-Agricultural Source Materials - resolution of support for next meeting.
- 10.9 Township of West Lincoln re proposed changes re Non-Agricultural Source Materials. - resolution of support for next meeting.
- 10.10 Township of Essa re Duplication of Planning Services
- 10.11 City of Waterloo re Provincial Sales Tax Exemption for Municipalities. - resolution of support for next meeting.
- 10.12 City of Waterloo re Infrastructure Funding
- 10.13 City of Guelph resolution re lack of funding for GRCA - resolution of support for next meeting.
- 10.14 Durham Region re Employment Insurance Eligibility
- 10.15 Crime Stoppers Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka
- 10.15.1 Crime Stoppers Month - motion of support for next meeting.
- 10.15.2 2008 Funding request - motion of support for next meeting.
- 10.16 Ministry of Finance OMPF allocation 2008
- 10.17 Ministry of Finance OMPF allocation 2008 follow up letter
- 10.18 Hydro One - Directions 2007 Newsletter
- 10.19 David Tilson Biz Pal program
- 10.20 Economic Developers Council of Ontario Conference February 5-7, 2008
- 10.21 Ministry of Education re Bullying Awareness Week
- 10.22 Minister of Education re Premier's Awards for Teaching Excellence
- 10.23 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re 2007 Municipal Performance Measurement Program
- 10.24 Hills of Headwaters - Greenbelt Tourism Toolkit
- 10.25 Other - nothing at this time.

11 BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

- 11.1 Roads and General - motion to approve.

12 BY-LAWS

- 12.1 Confirming
- 12.2 Others - OSWAP funding; Borrowing Bylaw; Interim Taxes; Appointment of Deputy-Clerk; Appointment of Deputy-Treasurer.

13 LEGAL, PROPERTY and PERSONNEL

- 13.1 In Camera session held for litigation or potential litigation matters and staff instructed accordingly.

14 NEW BUSINESS

The following were received:

- 14.1 Appointments: Deputy Clerk and Deputy Treasurer - Bylaw 4-2008 appointing Karen Canivet as Deputy Clerk and Bylaw 5-2008 appointing Jean Hughes as Deputy Treasurer passed.
- 14.2 Sand Hill Disposal request to reduce Performance Bond - agreement that amount will be 50% of contract cost.
- 14.3 Sand Hill Disposal Contract 2008 - agreement for a 6 year contract - Bylaw to be passed at next Council meeting.
- 14.4 Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal - OSWAP Funding - Bylaw 1-2008 passed.
- 14.5 Infrastructure Ontario - New Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative - dealt with under Roads, and deferred until next Council meeting.
- 14.6 Tax Policy Report - motion to adopt.
- 14.7 Other

15 BULLETINS AND INFORMATION

The following were received:

- 15.1 AMO
- 15.1.1 Alert No. 07/057 Province Consulting on New Incident Management System for Ontario
- 15.1.2 Alert No. 07/058 Ontario's Fall Economic Statement Provides Much Needed Funding
- 15.1.3 Alert No. 07/059 House of Commons Motion calls for Permanent Federal Gas Tax Funding
- 15.1.4 Alert No. 07/060 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund - Funding Guarantee
- 15.1.5 Alert No. 07/061 Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative
- 15.2 Orangeville Banner - Mayors New Year's predications
- 15.3 Pitch-In Ontario program
- 15.4 Harnessing the Wind - Evaluating Pros and Cons
- 15.5 Building Bridges - Evolving relationship between Municipalities and First Nations
- 15.6 "Preserve those old Buildings"
- 15.7 Cowan News and Views

16 ADJOURNMENT**RESOLUTIONS:****MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE**

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held December 11, 2007 be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON

THAT further to correspondence and report from the County of Dufferin with respect to Tax Ratios, Council of the Township of East Garafraxa wishes to maintain current tax ratios within the County of Dufferin at this time.

CARRIED.

MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

THAT Council instructs the Director of Public Works to tender for Gravel Crushing; Gravel Hauling, Fuel; Winter Sand; Roadside Grass Cutting; as required. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY

THAT Council hereby adopt the Policy of Provision of Property Tax and Zoning Compliance Information dated January 8, 2008 as presented

CARRIED.

MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON

THAT Council do now go In Camera for the following reason: litigation or potential litigation, including matters before Administrative Tribunals, affecting the municipality or Local Board. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

THAT Council now rise from In Camera Session and resume regular business

CARRIED.

MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to authorize the Head of Council and Clerk to execute the agreement between the Township of East Garafraxa and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario for the purpose of funding under the Ontario Small Waterworks Assistance Program and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 1-2008. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY BOYNTON, SECONDED BY NEVILLS

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to introduce a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money from the Royal Bank of Canada for the year 2008 and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 2-2008. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to provide for the levy and collection of rates or levies required for the Corporation of the Township of East Garafraxa for the Interim Levy for the Year 2008 and to provide for the mailing of notices demanding payment of taxes and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 3-2008. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to appoint a Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of East Garafraxa and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 4-2008. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to appoint a Deputy Treasurer for the Corporation of the Township of East Garafraxa and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 5-2008. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY BOYNTON, SECONDED BY NEVILLS

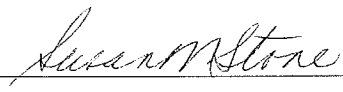
THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the January 8, 2008 meeting of the Council of the Township of East Garafraxa and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 6-2008. **CARRIED.**

MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

THAT Council now adjourn to meet again January 22, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Administration offices, Laurel ON or at the call of the Mayor. **CARRIED.**



HEAD OF COUNCIL



CLERK