

The Council of the Township of East Garafraxa held their regular meeting of Council in the Administration Office, Laurel, Ontario on February 17, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Councillors Allan Boynton, Fran Pinkney, Tom Nevills, and Deputy Mayor Guy Gardhouse were in attendance with Mayor Taylor presiding. Susan M. Stone, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, Karen Canivet, Deputy-Clerk, Dave Menary - Director of Public Works and Christine Gervais - Director of Planning were also in attendance.

**OPENING OF MEETING**

Mayor Taylor brought the meeting to order.

**1 AGENDA**

- 1.1 Added Items to agenda by motion:
  - 1.1.1 Closed Session - Property Acquisition and Potential Litigation
  - 1.1.2 BCF-CC Funding Announcement
- 1.2 Approval of Agenda as amended.

**2 MINUTES**

- 2.1 Council Minutes of January 27, 2009 approved as circulated.
- 2.2 Business arising from minutes:
  - 2.2.1 None at this time

**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 Shann Leighton, CEO, and Nadine Collins, Chair, presented the 2008 Annual Report and 2009 Budget, which has an overall increase of 3.5%. Motion to approve passed.

**5 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The following was received/dealt with:

- 5.1 Accessibility Plan 2008-2009 - motion passed. Plan to be posted on website.
- 5.2 Marsville Hall - update - further consultation required with Building Inspector
- 5.3 PSAB/Asset Management - ongoing
- 5.4 Other - nothing at this time.

**6 COUNTY COUNCIL BUSINESS**

The following were received:

- 6.1 County Agenda February 12, 2009 and Reports
  - 6.1.1 Request for additional representative - Mayor Taylor reported that matter referred back to General Government Services to review request in conjunction with other services. Town of Mono have passed motion of non-support.
  - 6.1.2 Proposed Administration Facility Supplemental Report - Mayor Taylor discussed options.
  - 6.1.3 Rural Broadband Intake 2 - both County and Town of Mono have made applications. Letter of support from Township was forwarded to the County.
  - 6.1.4 Financial Update 2008 Year End - Mayor Taylor discussed. Also discussion regarding the status of County Road 23/B Line and timing of downloading to lower tier municipalities.
  - 6.1.5 Accessibility Plan 2009
- 6.2 Town of Orangeville - receipt of County Representation
- 6.2 Township of East Luther Grand Valley - support re County Representation
- 6.3 Township of Melancthon support re County Representation
- 6.4 Other - Mayor Taylor discussed the Growth Management Study, which was dealt with at the last County Council meeting; however, no motions to receive or adopt were passed. Further discussion ensued regarding the Township process for incorporating the Greenbelt Act and Growth Plan into the Official Plan, by June, 2009, and the Official Plan Five Year Review. Staff to follow up with Planning Consultant regarding cost and timing.

## 7 COMMITTEES

The following were received and/or dealt with:

- 7.1 Grand Valley Community Centre Minutes January 12, 2009 - Councillor Boynton reported.
- 7.1.1 Hero's with Heart - request to donate cost of Community Centre - motion passed.
- 7.2 Grand Valley Fire Board 2009 Budget - motion to approve.
- 7.3 Dufferin Municipal Officers Association - building department summary discussed and allocation of Building Inspector's time/salary.
  - 7.3.1 December 2008 Minutes
  - 7.3.2 Building Department Summary
  - 7.3.3 MPAC Current Value Assessment Interpretation
  - 7.3.4 Ministry of Municipal Affairs Update
- 7.4 Town of Caledon POA Revenue December 2008 - Mayor Taylor to follow up on true cost of enforcement.
- 7.5 Groves Memorial Community Hospital - Recruitment Report 2008 - Councillor Nevills reported.
- 7.6 Orangeville Fire Advisory Committee Meeting January 21, 2008 - Councillor Nevills reported that fees will increase in accordance with the agreement, and noted disappointment with the County position with respect to payment of fire calls on County Roads.
- 7.7 CVC 2009 Budget and Work Plan Estimates and Levy Notice - Council suggested that covering letter should address the actual increase by percentage.
- 7.8 Grand River Conservation Authority - Councillor Nevills reported, and to follow up on flood warning system.
  - 7.8.1 Current Watershed Conditions January 29/09
  - 7.8.2 GRCA Minutes
  - 7.8.3 2009 Budget and Sustainability
  - 7.8.4 Grand Actions
- 7.9 Lake Erie Region Source Protection Committee - Councillor Nevills discussed, noting that it has been suggested that every farm to be assessed in vulnerable areas. Concerns raised regarding authority to enter any property without permission, and issues that might arise.
  - 7.9.1 Minutes November 6, 2008
  - 7.9.2 Agenda February 5, 2009
- 7.10 Other

## 8 ROADS DEPARTMENT:

The following were received and/or dealt with:

- 8.1 OGRA Alert
- 8.2 OGRA Board Brief
- 8.3 Gravel Pit Expansion update - additional information and amended plans have been forwarded to MNR by Township Engineer. Staff to follow up.
- 8.4 Bridges Update - 12<sup>th</sup> Line Bridge will require further work with budget implications for 2009.
- 8.5 Other
  - 8.5.1 Grass cutting for parks and cemeteries discussed. Matter deferred pending further information with respect to options.
  - 8.5.2 Street sweeping also discussed. Currently costs annually to contract out service, and timing not always appropriate. Attachment for new loader an option. Deferred.
  - 8.5.3 BCF-CC Funding approved for A Line Improvement Project. Also allocation of IOA funding (Provincial surplus). Round 2 of BCF-CC funding discussed, and Director of Public Works to provide information regarding costs of various projects in order to determine which to proceed with, and to have engineering work done.

## 9 PLANNING AND BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS:

The following matters were received and/or dealt with:

- 9.1 Growth Management Plan - dealt with under County Matters.
- 9.2 Green Energy Act
  - 9.2.1 News Release
  - 9.2.2 The Toronto Star - McGuinty re green energy projects
  - 9.2.3 The Toronto Star - Coal Free by 2010
- 9.3 TransCanada re Belwood Wind Power Project
- 9.4 Region of Peel - OPA re Sustainability and Energy Policies
- 9.5 County of Wellington Land Division (Town of Erin)
- 9.6 Hydro One Bruce to Milton Land Acquisition and Compensation
- 9.7 Grand River Conservation re Bruce to Milton EA
- 9.8 Ontario Municipal Board re Grand Valley Wind Farms
- 9.9 Township of East Luther Grand Valley Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Meeting

- 9.10 Township of East Luther Grand Valley ECO Energy Facility OPA 1/09
- 9.11 Development Update - Nature's Landing park dedication and trails discussed. Council not in favour of proceeding with trail system. Further information to be obtained with respect to park.
- 9.12 Consent Application B1/08 - discussion regarding lot configuration. Township Planner explained that tree line to be kept with severed parcel. Council not opposed if change is not significant, and not in contravention of the Planning Act. Ms. Gervais to follow up.
- 9.13 Other - nothing at this time.

## 10 CORRESPONDENCE

The following were received and/or dealt with:

- 10.1 Greater Dufferin Home Builders Association Dinner Meeting Feb. 17/09
- 10.2 MMAH re Central Ontario Municipal Symposium April 30, 2009
- 10.3 Township of Tay Valley re Waste Diversion act
- 10.4 County of Prince Edward County re Wind health effects
- 10.5 Township of Madawaska Valley
  - 10.5.1 re Property assessment
  - 10.5.2 re Homecare Access Program
- 10.6 Township of East Luther Grand Valley re indigent funerals
- 10.7 Well Wise Centre - Private Well Seminar March 26/09
- 10.8 MPAC re Request for Reconsideration process - discussion regarding market change profile. Staff to provide to Council along with average assessment increase in Province, County and municipalities, and education and County tax rates.
- 10.9 Waste Diversion Ontario/Stewardship Ontario/AMO re Blue Box Material Markets
- 10.10 Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services re Mandatory activities
- 10.11 Ontario Farm Animal Council - re farm issues
- 10.12 Sandhill Disposal and Recycling annual price adjustment - staff to follow up with CPI rate used and when fuel tax charged.
- 10.13 ROMA OGRA invitations; Hydro One; Frank Cowan
- 10.14 Wellington Dufferin Guelph Health Unit - Drive to Quit Campaign
- 10.15 Other - nothing at this time.

## 11 BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

- 11.1 Roads and General
- 11.2 Other

## 12 BY-LAWS

The following by-laws were adopted:

- 12.1 Fire Permit By-Law
- 12.2 Enbridge Gas Distribution Franchise agreement
- 12.3 Confirming
- 12.4 Others

## 13 LEGAL, PROPERTY and PERSONNEL

- 13.1 Closed session held and staff instructed accordingly.

## 14 NEW BUSINESS

- 14.1 Other
  - 14.1.1 Budget summary for 2008 provided. Also Development Charges, Council Remuneration, and Tax Write Offs summaries for 2008 provided and motions passed.

## 15 BULLETINS AND INFORMATION

The following were received:

- 15.1 Toronto Biosolids & Residuals Master Plan
- 15.2 Municipal Health & Safety Association
- 15.3 Pitch-In Canada
- 15.4 AMO Registration Conference
- 15.5 AMO Alert 09/002 - Waste Diversion Act Extension
- 15.6 09/003 - AODA Deadline
- 15.7 09/004 - Federal Infrastructure Funding
- 15.8 09/006 - Ontario Municipalities to Benefit from Federal Budget
- 15.9 09/007 - Municipal Support of Earth Hour

- 15.10 09/008 - AMO Expresses concern re OADA  
15.11 09/009 - 2009 Federal Gas Tax Award application  
15.12 09/010 AMO report to Members  
15.13 FYI 09-002 Municipal Action on Bottled Water  
15.14 Implications for Municipalities - Case Law Bruce Banting.  
15.15 Municipal World February 2009  
15.16 Other

## 16 ADJOURNMENT

- 16.1 Council adjourned. Councillor Boynton will not be in attendance at the March 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> council meetings.

### RESOLUTIONS:

#### MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON

THAT the agenda be amended by adding the following:

1. Closed Session - Property Acquisition and Potential Litigation.
2. BCF-CC Funding Announcement

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY BOYNTON, SECONDED BY NEVILLS

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting held January 27, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON

THAT Council do hereby adopt the Township of East Garafraxa Accessibility Plan for 2008-2009.

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY

THAT Council of the Township of East Garafraxa agree to request for donation of the cost of the Grand Valley Community Centre for the Weekend to End Breast Cancer event June 27, 2009; subject to sharing with Amaranth and East Luther Grand Valley.

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY BOYNTON, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

THAT Council of the Township of East Garafraxa accept the Grand Valley and District Fire Board 2009 budget as presented; East Garafraxa's share being \$34,290.00 Operating; \$ 8,020. Truck Reserve and \$3,208.00 Equipment Reserve for a Total of \$45,518.00

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY BOYNTON, SECONDED BY NEVILLS

Council do now enter closed session for the following reasons:

Proposed or pending acquisition of disposition of land by the Municipality or local board; Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before Administrative Tribunals affecting the Municipality or Local Board; Advise that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**CARRIED.**

#### MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE

THAT Council now rise and report from closed session and resume regular business.

**CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON**

THAT Council of the Township of East Garafraxa support motion 2008-605 as amended of the County of Prince Edward which supported the Township of Loyalist and Township of Dawn Euphemia and join in the request that the Federal and Provincial Government agencies responsible for public health, energy creation and energy management dedicate resources to study the health effects of wind turbines. **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE**

THAT Bills and Accounts in the amount of:

Roads \$174,132.21

General \$ 57,779.95 be paid.

**CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY**

THAT Council accept the Development Charge Account Summary report for the year 2008 as presented. **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON**

THAT Council authorize 2008 Tax Write Offs in the amount \$43,618.33; Township portion being \$18,738.52 **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE**

THAT Council remuneration and expense report for 2008 be accepted as presented in accordance with the Municipal Act, S.O. **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY PINKNEY, SECONDED BY GARDHOUSE**

THAT Leave be given to introduce a by-law to regulate the setting of fires and prevent the spreading of fires and establish a Fire Permit System and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 07-2009. **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY GARDHOUSE, SECONDED BY PINKNEY**

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to authorize the Head of Council and Clerk to execute a franchise agreement with the Corporation Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and the and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 08-2009. **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY BOYNTON, SECONDED BY NEVILLS**

THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the February 17, 2009 regular meeting of the Council of the Township of East Garafraxa and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 09-2009. **CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY NEVILLS, SECONDED BY BOYNTON**

THAT Council now adjourn to meet again March 10, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the Administration Offices, Laurel ON or at the call of the Mayor. **CARRIED.**

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HEAD OF COUNCIL

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CLERK