

MINUTES

Council met at 4:00 p.m. for their second regular meeting of the month.

Present: Mayor Wearn, Councillors Balzer, Banbury, Cowan and Peterson.

Staff: Baer, Borton, Harmer, Krug, Matheson, Mordue and Richardson.

Others: Rebecca Smith, Planner, Oxford County

Mayor Wearn in the Chair.

1. Welcome

2. Call to Order

3. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #1

Moved by – Councillor Peterson
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the agenda for the December 20, 2017 Meeting of Council, be approved, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

5. Adoption of Minutes

RESOLUTION #2

Moved by – Councillor Peterson
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the minutes of the December 6, 2017 Regular Session of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

7. Delegations

a. Phil Bourdeau, Plattsville & District Lions Club – Community Projects

Mr. Bourdeau expressed the interest of the Plattsville Lion's Club to install Lion's Club Benches with the funds they raised for the Plattsville Skate Park.

RESOLUTION #3

Moved by – Councillor Peterson
Seconded by – Councillor Balzer

Be it hereby resolved that the presentation from the Plattsville Lions Club regarding community projects be received; and,

That staff be directed to issue receipts for donations received pursuant to the Township's Charitable Donation Policy.

.Carried

b. Brandon Flewwelling, GSP Group – Plattsville Growth and Development Summary

Mr. Flewwelling presented information regarding the future development options for the Village of Plattsville and requested support of Township Council for the need for a land needs assessment including future growth in Plattsville.

RESOLUTION #4

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that the presentation from GSP Group concerning growth and development in Plattsville be received; and,

That the Township of Blandford-Blenheim support reviewing opportunities to expand the water and wastewater systems to accommodate future growth in Plattsville; and,

That the Township of Blandford-Blenheim Council requests that the County of Oxford initiate a land needs assessment including the need for future residential growth in Plattsville.

.Carried

8. Presentations

- a. Jessica Jaremchuk, Cowan Insurance Company – 2017 Municipal Insurance Program for the Township of Blandford-Blenheim

Jessica Jaremchuk presented the Municipal Insurance Renewal Report for the Policy Term December 31, 2017 to December 31, 2018, reporting a policy renewal increase of 2.9%.

RESOLUTION #5

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Whereas a representative from Frank Cowan Company Limited attended the meeting to discuss the Township's Comprehensive Insurance Program from December 31, 2017 to December 31, 2018;

Be it hereby resolved that Council approve the report from Frank Cowan Company Limited, as presented.

.Carried

9. Public Meeting

10. Correspondence

a. General

None.

b. Specific

- i. Township of West Lincoln – Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program

RESOLUTION #6

Moved by – Councillor Balzer
Seconded by – Councillor Peterson

Be it hereby resolved that the Township of Blandford-Blenheim supports the resolution by the Township of West Lincoln regarding the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program.

.Carried

11. Staff Reports

a. Rick Richardson, Director of Protective Services

- i. FC-17-23, November Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #7

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

That Report FC-17-23 be received as information.

.Carried

- ii. FC-17-25, Firefighter Insurance Policy

RESOLUTION #8

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

That Report FC-17-25 be received as information;

And further that Council approve and adopt VHIS of Canada as the new provider of Accident and Sickness Insurance for our Township Firefighters.

.Carried

b. John Scherer, CBO/ Manager of Building Services

- i. CBO-17-14, Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #9

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

That Report CBO-17-14 be received as information.

.Carried

c. Rodger Mordue, CAO/Clerk

- i. CAO-17-23, 2018 Policing Grant

RESOLUTION #10

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CAO-17-23 be received; and,

That Council choose the Community Policing Partnership grand option for the year 2018.

.Carried

ii. CAO-17-24, Revision to Employee Manual

RESOLUTION #11

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Report CAP-17-24 be received; and,

That Section 28.2.7. of the Employee Manual relating to the termination of Short Term Income Protection Plan benefits at age 65 be removed.

.Carried

12. Reports from Council Members

Councillor Peterson pointed out that a Foodbank may be required in Drumbo and wondered about the need Township-wide. Mayor Wearn agreed that a Township-wide Foodbank ought to be explored. Councillor Balzer pointed to the importance of facilitating the network of volunteers and Foodbanks currently running rather than the municipality possibly running a Foodbank program. Council agreed that a meeting of all the facilitators of local Foodbanks ought to happen.

13. Unfinished Business

14. Motions and Notices of Motion

15. New Business

16. Closed Session

- a. Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality, re: Townline School Property

RESOLUTION #12

Moved by – Councillor Banbury
Seconded by – Councillor Cowan

Be it hereby resolved that Council moves into Closed Session under the authority of Section 239 of the Municipal Act at 5:32 p.m. to discuss;

Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #13

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn from Closed and resume into Open Session at 6:23 p.m.

.Carried

17. By-laws

RESOLUTION #14

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that a first and second reading be given to the following By-laws:

- By-law 2044-2017 Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 1360-2002, as amended (Wells);
- By-law 2045-2017, Being a By-law to set the 2018 Fees and Charges; and,
- By-law 2046-2017 Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #15

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that a third and final reading be given to the following By-laws:

- By-law 2044-2017 Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 1360-2002, as amended (Wells);

- By-law 2045-2017, Being a By-law to set the 2018 Fees and Charges;
and,
- By-law 2046-2017 Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

18. Other Business

19. Adjournment and Next Meeting

RESOLUTION #16

Moved by – Councillor Cowan
Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Whereas business before Council has been completed at 6:24 p.m.;

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday,
January 17, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

.Carried

Marion Wearn, Mayor
Township of Blandford-Blenheim

Rodger Mordue CAO / Clerk
Township of Blandford-Blenheim