

TOWNSHIP OF TYENDINAGA
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting - NO. 2008-28

Municipal Council Chambers, 859 Melrose Road, Shannonville
Monday, Dec 1 2008 at 7:00 pm

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT:	Margaret Walsh	Reeve
	Fred Lang	Deputy Reeve
	Iain Gardiner	Councillor
	Chris Brady	Councillor
	Rick Phillips	Councillor
	Steve Mercer	Clerk-Treasurer

ABSENT: None

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest: None declared

MOVED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips
SECONDED BY: Councillor Iain Gardiner
THAT the Agenda of December 1, 2008 be adopted.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: Councillor Chris Brady
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips
THAT the minutes of the November 17, 2008 Regular Meeting and November 21, 2008 Special Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Mike Bossio – Richmond Landfill Closure

- Approached Council as a concerned citizen who has been working on the Richmond Issue for several years
- Is glad the Township has applied to the Environmental Bill of Rights Commissioner to have the dump closed once and for all
- Asked the Township to make a resolution asking for support from neighbouring municipalities
- The Clerk indicated he had spoken with Mr. Bossio several times that week and between them had crafted a resolution and cover letter which was tabled at the meeting
- The Clerk indicated that staff was on standby and over the next couple of days, if Council approved the resolution, would be able to fax to about 80 or 90 municipalities east of the GTA and south of Ottawa in a day or so
- The Council asked to make a slight change to the letter but supported the following resolution

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MOVED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips

SECONDED BY: Councillor Iain Gardiner

WHEREAS the Richmond Landfill is situated along the 401 corridor between Belleville and Napanee
AND WHEREAS application was made by the operator for expansion of the Landfill in 1998
AND WHEREAS there was extensive opposition to its expansion based on sound scientific research
AND WHEREAS court proceedings and government processes unfolded over many years
AND WHEREAS in 2006 the Minister of the Environment did not approve of the expansion based on Ministerial review of the terms of reference, environmental assessment, related science and other documentation

AND WHEREAS the certificate of approval for the landfill operation dates back to 1986

AND WHEREAS the science concerning landfills, lechate and long term impacts have advanced significantly in the past 22 years

AND WHEREAS the Tyendinaga Township Council has, in conjunction with the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte and concerned citizens, submitted an application for review of the terms of the Certificate of Approval for the Richmond Landfill through the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of the Environment of Ontario has a limited time to respond to this application

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that our Council requests support for its position from neighbouring communities and that these communities be urged to indicate support in writing to the Minister of the Environment and the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario.

CARRIED

PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

MOVED BY: Councillor Iain Gardiner

SECONDED BY: Deputy Reeve Fred Lang

THAT the following accounts be approved as presented:

General Government	10,690.54
Roads Department	84938.92
Recreation Department	4112.88
Fire Department	5,748.26

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

John Farrell, Road Supervisor

Provided written report

Highlights

- With the variable weather of late, most activities have been dedicated to snow removal
- Plow mounts are all on
- The Shannon Rd project has been completed – the hilly area just west of Read Rd has been softened
- John brought forward a concern in Lonsdale where a resident is parking derelict vehicles on the roadside
- Clerk to follow up in writing

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Liette Forestell, Recreation Coordinator

Provided written report

Highlights

- The water at the Recreation Hall is still of uncertain quality although testing continues
- We will now be “shocking” the system to see if this helps
- All water concerns are prominently posted and bottled water is available for the public
- Staff Christmas Party and 1st Annual Recognition Awards is coming together
- We expect to have About 100 people
- Christmas lights Tour – Cobourg – December 4
- Ignite the Night – Winter Family Fun Night – February 6
- Planning for the Heritage Tour planned for the Spring is well underway
- Capital projects are underway, namely the fencing project and the dugout project

Dan Callaghan, Fire Chief – excused – at Training

Provided written report

Highlights

- There were 9 calls responded to in this reporting period
- There have been 96 fire related deaths in Ontario in 2008
- The Fire Chief reiterated the importance of working smoke alarms and some measures other municipalities are taking to ensure that everyone has a working smoke alarm – this is very important

MOVED BY: Councillor Chris Brady

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips

THAT this Council accepts the staff report as presented.

CARRIED

The following declarations were provided for items to be added to the agenda under ‘New Business’:

Reeve Margaret Walsh	1 item
Deputy Reeve Fred Lang	2 items
Councillor Iain Gardiner	2 items
Councillor Chris Brady	0 item
Councillor Rick Phillips	1 items
Clerk Steve Mercer	1 items -in camera

CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED BY: Councillor Iain Gardiner

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips

That this Council receives the correspondence from:

- MPAC-Update – November 25, 2008- Debbie Zimmerman
- FCM – Infrastructure and the Economy
- Ministry of Finance – November 10 – Investing in Ontario Act
- Ministry of Finance – November 14 - OMPF

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NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips

SECONDED BY: Councillor Chris Brady

That this Council supports the Resolution from the City of Cambridge concerning recent MPAC valuations and the concern, that in these uncertain economic times, that predicting four years extended valuation is not accurate and could become ultimately a taxation issue if the economy continues to deteriorate.

CARRIED

There was a discussion regarding the Annual OGRA/ROMA conference scheduled for February 23-25 in Toronto. It was agreed that John Farrell, Roads Supervisor, Deputy Reeve Lang, Councillor Phillips and Councillor Gardiner would attend.

Deputy Reeve Fred Lang

- Brought to Council's attention a couple of concerns he was advised about regarding the condition of McCullough Rd, from Brenda Brennan and Dr. Bohdan Wasilewski
- The Clerk tabled a letter received about this subject from Dr. Wasilewski

Councillor Iain Gardiner

- The same concern from residents including, Ms McMurter, was brought forth to Councillor Gardiner
- Reeve Walsh had indicated that this group may be coming to the next Council meeting to try to get some work done on McCullough Rd
- Councillor Gardiner indicated that he needed to get back to Ms. Brennan and he would invite her and other concerned folks to attend the next Council meeting December 15, 2008
- Also brought forward a concern he had received about \Salmon River Rd
- John indicated that although this road is half in the Township and half on the Mohawk Territory, we maintain the entire road under an agreement with the MBQ
- Also suggested that next year we consider some sort of Festival of Trees Christmas vent to aid a charity
- Liette to investigate

Councillor Rick Phillips

- Had received the same concerns from the residents of McCullough Rd

Reeve Margaret Walsh

- Wanted to bring to Council's attention the condition of McCullough Rd
- It has been alluded to this evening and the Reeve will help to encourage the residents to attend Council
- Updated Council on a couple of points discussed at the recently held at County Planning and County Council meetings

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- There were no new severances on the last Planning agenda, this activity has diminished in recent months and may be a cause for concern vis a vis local development
- An economic development sub-committee has been formed from the Planning Committee and met in Ivanhoe recently
- There was discussion about alternative building materials
- Cindy Cassidy with the Trails Alliance is hoping to include Tyendinaga Township in their plans
- Council suggested that she be invited to Council to discuss
- Ron Emond was re-elected as Warden of Hastings County, December 4
- County representatives were given a tour of the new BGH facilities and an update on changes considered for BGH to attempt to cut costs
- They are still building – MRI room etc
- Broadband application should be submitted shortly

IN CAMERA

MOVED BY: Councillor Chris Brady

SECONDED BY: Councillor Iain Gardiner

THAT Council agreed to continue with the Council Meeting in camera as the subject matter deals with personnel, land and tender matters where confidentiality requires protection.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: Councillor Chris Brady

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips

THAT Council has completed the discussion dealing with personnel, land and tender matters where Council confidentiality requires protection.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: Councillor Iain Gardiner

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rick Phillips

THAT this Council confirms the discussion of the in-camera portion of the open meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: Councillor Chris Brady

SECONDED BY: Deputy Reeve Fred Lang

That this Regular Council Meeting be adjourned 9:03 pm.

CARRIED

Margaret Walsh, Reeve

Steve Mercer, Clerk-Treasurer