

**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH-WEST OXFORD
COUNCIL MINUTES**

September 15, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors: George Klosler, David Mayberry,
Gerry Mitchell, Ron Sackrider,
D. Anne Vanhoucke, Jay Heaman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor: Jim Hayes

STAFF PRESENT: Mary Ellen Greb, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Dianne Harnett, Deputy Clerk

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mary Ellen Greb, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Resolution No. 1 Moved by Ron Sackrider
Seconded by David Mayberry

RESOLVED that Councillor George Klosler
be appointed to chair the Council Meeting as Acting
Mayor in the absence of Mayor James Hayes.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Council adjourned for guided tour of new Fire Rescue Van and reconvened at 7:25 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 2 Moved by Gerry Mitchell
Seconded by David Mayberry

RESOLVED that the agenda for the September 15, 2009,
Meeting of Council be accepted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Beachville Fire Station

Fire Chief Wayne Lillywhite's written report was reviewed by Council. The report contained no recommendations.

Mount Elgin Fire Station

Fire Chief Eric Johnson's written report was reviewed by Council. The report contained no recommendations.

Brownsville Fire Station

Fire Chief Dirk Verboom's written report was reviewed by Council. The report contained no recommendations.

Resolution No. 3 Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Gerry Mitchell

RESOLVED that the Fire Chief's Report for the Beachville Fire Hall be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Resolution No. 4 Moved by Gerry Mitchell
Seconded by David Mayberry

RESOLVED that the Fire Chief's Report for the Mount Elgin Fire Hall be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Resolution No. 5 Moved by Gerry Mitchell
Seconded by David Mayberry

RESOLVED that the Fire Chief's Report for the Brownsville Fire Hall be received.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

DELEGATION – FRED WRIGHT, R.R. #2, EBENEZER ROAD, MOUNT ELGIN, NOJ 1N0

Mr. Wright reported that he has owned the above property for 22 years and has had ongoing problems with drainage. He provided Council with three drainage maps to enlighten Council concerning the Rowsom Drain situation. He has met with Mark Snowsell, Upper Thames River Conservation Authority and to date has not received any resolution.

Mr. Wright informed Council he could repair the drainage problems himself, but felt it was partly the responsibility of the Township of South-West Oxford.

Mr. Wright stated that the Mud Creek Drain is plugged out in his field. He noted that in 2008 Acting Drainage Inspector Henri Bennemeer looked at it. A permit was issued by the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority and it was approved and tendered to be cleaned out. It has not been done.

Mud Lake Drain needs to be cleaned out. He also noted that the Morris Drain has been plugged for eleven years.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Council went into Committee of the Whole “in camera” at 8:33 p.m. and reconvened “in public” at 10:22 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE ITEM NO. 731 TOWN OF NEW TECUMSETH’S RESOLUTION ON THE GST AND PST HARMONIZATION OF TAXES

Resolution No. 10- Moved by Ron Sackrider
Seconded by D. Anne Vanhoucke

RESOLVED that the resolution from New Tecumseth’s Harmonization Tax be carried.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE ITEM NO. 739 MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD & RURAL AFFAIRS – APPLICATION SUBMISSION FOR PREMIER’S AWARD FOR AGRI-FOOD INNOVATION EXCELLENCE

Resolution No. 11- Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Gerry Mitchell

RESOLVED that Don & Julie Budd, (Leaping Deere Legends) be considered for application/nomination for the Premier’s Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE ITEM NO. 743 – CUPE’S CHILD CARE WORKER & EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR APPRECIATION DAY PROCLAMATION

Resolution No. 12- Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Gerry Mitchell

RESOLVED that the resolution from CUPE to name October 21st “Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator’s Appreciation Day” be supported.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

Resolution No. 13 – Moved by Ron Sackrider
Seconded by Gerry Mitchell

RESOLVED that the following information correspondence be noted and filed:
#732, #733, #740, #742, #741 be noted and filed.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

DISCUSSION

AMO'S funding for Broadband in Rural & Northern Ontario Letter – Council would like follow-up information on what type of system will be implemented.

CAO Greb informs that information from the County will follow at a later date and she will in turn inform Council at that time.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Resolution No. 14 Moved by Gerry Mitchell
Seconded by David Mayberry

RESOLVED that the following Accounts be approved

For payment as follows;

Excel spreadsheet report \$296,352.53

GST Recoverable \$ 10,978.47

TOTAL \$307,331.00

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

BY-LAWS AND AGREEMENTS

**BY-LAW NO. 41-2009 – BY-LAW TO REGULATE SIGNS AND OTHER
ADVERTISING DEVICES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH-WEST OXFORD**

First and Second Reading

Resolution No. 15- Moved by D. Anne Vanhoucke
Seconded by Jay Heaman

RESOLVED that the mover be granted leave to introduce a by-law to regulate signs and other advertising devices within the Township of South-West Oxford and this shall constitute the First and Second Reading thereof (By-Law No. 41-2009).

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Third and Final Reading

Resolution No. 16- Moved by D. Anne Vanhoucke
Seconded by Jay Heaman

RESOLVED that a by-law to regulate signs and other advertising devices within the Township of South-West Oxford be now read a Third time and Finally Passed, signed, sealed and numbered By-Law No. 41-2009.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

**BY-LAW NO. 40-2009 – BY-LAW TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR
INFRASTRUCTURE STIMULUS FUND**

First and Second Reading

Resolution No. 17- Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Gerry Mitchell

RESOLVED that the mover be granted leave to introduce a by-law to enter into an agreement to authorize the execution of an Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Agreement and this shall be the First and Second Reading thereof (By-Law No.40-2009).

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Third and Final Reading
Resolution No. 18-

Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Gerry Mitchell

RESOLVED that a by-law to enter into an agreement to authorize the execution of an Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Contribution Agreement be now read a third time and finally passed, signed, sealed and numbered By-Law No.40-2009.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

BY-LAW NO. 10-2009 BY-LAW TO REGULATE THE SALE, DISPLAY AND DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH-WEST OXFORD

Resolution No. 19- Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Ron Sackrider

RESOLVED that the mover be granted leave to introduce a by-law to regulate the sale, display and discharge of fireworks in the Township of South-West Oxford and this shall be the First and Second Reading thereof (By-Law No. 10-2009).

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Third and Final Reading

Resolution No. 20- Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Ron Sackrider

RESOLVED that the By-Law to regulate the sale, display and discharge of fireworks in the Township of South-West Oxford and shall be now read a third time and finally passed, signed, sealed and numbered By-Law No. 10-2009.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

CAO Greb met with Tillsonburg Airport committee members and will inform Council with further information as it becomes available.

CAO Greb informed Council of computer server problems that will take several days to resolve. Cost for a new server is approximately \$10,000. In the interim a part is being shipped to solve the issue at hand. This is the first major issue encountered since 1997.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 21- Moved by David Mayberry
Seconded by Ron Sackrider

RESOLVED that there being no further business Council adjourn at 10:50 p.m. to meet again on October 6, 2009, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

These minutes were adopted by Council on the 15th day of September, 2009.

ACTING MAYOR: George Klosler

CLERK: Mary Ellen Greb
