

THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

April 9, 2010

Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Friday, April 9, 2010 at 14:00 h. in Council Chambers.

1. CALL TO ORDER & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

The following were present: Reeve Tammy Stewart, Councillors: Ed Aiston, Dave Foote, Jim Gibson and Bob Reid.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF – None

4. ADOPTION of MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETINGS (INCLUDING COMMITTEES)

(Resolution Prepared)

- Council Minutes

Resolution # 09/04/10/001

Moved by Councillor **Reid** and seconded by Councillor **Foote**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Friday, March 19, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried

- Joint Economic Development Minutes – March 30, 2010

5. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS - none

6. CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS - none

7. CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION ONLY (Please advise if you feel any item warrants further consideration at a subsequent meeting.)

1. Association of Ontario Road Supervisors – re: AORS/OGRA Partnership - information
2. AMO – re: AMO's response to provincial budget -information
3. Ottawa Valley Forest Inc. – re: certification of Ottawa Valley Forest – information **questioning if we are on the list.**
4. Town of Petawawa – re: CP line - information
5. & 6. Laurentian Valley – re: CP line – information **suggestion to maintain the corridor to the federal gov't ; if in 15 years or more they decide that they need to reinstate rail traffic then the corridor is still there**
7. Renfrew County Clerk/Treasurer's Association – re: 18th Annual Charity golf Day – information
8. Late 1 - Smiths Falls – re: CP line closure - information

8. STAFF REPORTS (For information only)

- Clerk's Report – #09/04/10/201 – information only
- **1. 3rd, 5th or 10th. Email councillors with which date works.**
- **3. They are not enthused about hiring 2 other people.**
- **7. Sell at May Madness**

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- Report - #09/04/10/202 – Budget Report/Comparative Income Statement to March 31, 2010

Resolution #09/04/10/002

Moved by Councillor **Foote** Seconded by Councillor **Reid**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Comparative Income Statement from January 1, 2010 to April 5, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried

- Cheque Register #09/04/10/203

Resolution #09/04/10/003

Moved by Councillor **Reid** and Seconded by Councillor **Foote**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Register to April 5, 2010 be accepted as presented.

Carried

10. BY-LAWS

- By-law 2010-10

Resolution #09/04/10/004

Moved by Councillor **Foote** and Seconded by Councillor **Reid**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2010-10 being a by-law to adopt the municipality's Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan be read a first and second time.

Carried

Resolution #09/04/10/005

Moved by Councillor Aiston and Seconded by Councillor Reid

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2010-10 being a by-law to adopt the municipality's Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan be read a third time short and passed.

Carried

Resolution #09/04/10/006

Moved by Councillor Reid and Seconded by Councillor Aiston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2010-11 being a by-law to adopt the municipality's Sustainability and Capital Investment Plans be read a first and second time.

Carried

Resolution #09/04/10/007

Moved by Councillor Aiston and Seconded by Councillor Reid

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2010-11 being a by-law to adopt the municipality's Sustainability and Capital Investment Plans be read a third time short and passed.

Carried

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (reports and resolutions prepared)

- Report #09/04/10/204 – Resolution of Support, Mandatory Septic System Inspections

Resolution #09/04/10/008

Moved by Councillor **Reid** and Seconded by Councillor **Aiston**

WHEREAS potential implementation of mandatory inspection of rural septic systems is imminent;

AND WHEREAS the Council of this municipality feels that any mandatory inspection program should be the responsibility of and funded by the user and/or the province and provided by an outside service provider as opposed to municipally funded Building Inspectors;

AND WHEREAS the County of Huron has requested support for their resolution;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby support the position of the County of Huron in resolving that the Mandatory Septic System Inspection Program proceed as a user pay program;

AND FURTHER THAT the province be lobbied to provide assistance for residential repair and/or replacement of rural septic systems that require remedial activity;

AND FURTHER THAT should these inspections become mandatory throughout Ontario that the province provide an alternate means of service outside of municipally funded Building Inspectors;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to MPP John Yakabuski, MP Cheryl Gallant, Premier McGuinty, the County of Renfrew, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, AMO and all neighbouring municipalities.

Defeated

Direction to staff to make it a little tougher, Jim will contact Melinda and discuss.

12. ADDENDUM (NEW BUSINESS) (reports and resolutions prepared)

- Report #09/04/10/205 - Canada Day Celebrations 2010

Resolution #09/04/10/009

Moved by Councillor **Aiston** and Seconded by Councillor **Reid**

WHEREAS Council deems it important to provide a venue for community gathering and wishes to use the celebration of Canada Day as a focal point;

AND WHEREAS in 2009 a worthy event was organized and operated by volunteers including one member of Council;

AND WHEREAS Council is comfortable continuing with this arrangement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT for ease of administration all reports and expenses will be approved by Council as a whole instead of via an ad hoc committee but all other planning and organization will continue as in 2009.

Carried

Councillor Reid won't be involved this year, will be working. No fireworks this year.

- Report #09/04/10/206 – Tax Billing Changes Report

Resolution #09/04/10/010

Moved by Councillor **Gibson** and Seconded by Councillor **Aiston**

WHEREAS taxes are currently due in March, July and October;
AND WHEREAS the new billing system allows for 4 payments instead of just three;
AND WHEREAS a system of four payments might make it easier for people to meet their deadlines without causing undue financial hardship;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby agree to have the Treasurer arrange for a split of the interim bill into two equal instalments beginning in 2011 to be due on February 28 and May 31 with the final instalments due on August 31 and November 30.
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council agrees to absorb the costs of using the specialized tax paper to allow for ease of use and a professional appearance.

Defeated

Maintain billing schedule, staff to make a decision on paper.

- Report #09/04/10/207 – Disposal Sites and Recycling Options

Resolution #09/04/10/011

Moved by Councillor **Foote** and Seconded by Councillor **Gibson**

WHEREAS Council would like to review options for improvements to our recycling program;
AND WHEREAS an application for funding and management of a formal recycling program review has just been submitted to the Continuous Improvement Fund (CIF);
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council review the information provided to develop an understanding of the issues but take no action until we hear from the CIF.

Defeated

Action: Find out when we are going to hear from the CIF.

Put on agenda for next meeting regarding tipping fees for Driftwood. We get \$5775.00 from Driftwood for PIL's needs to be put on report.

Put together a fee schedule for tipping fees that council can look at.

Put together a letter to send them to give them a heads up that we will be charging them this year for garbage.

13. IN CAMERA OR CLOSED SESSION - none

14. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

15. CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS

Resolution # 09/04/10/012

Moved by Councillor Gibson and Seconded by Councillor Foote

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2010-12 being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria at its meeting held on April 9, 2010 be read a first time short and passed.

Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT – (Resolution Prepared)

Resolution # 09/04/10/013

Moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Councillor Foote

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 14:53 h to meet again Friday, April 23, 2010 at 14:00 h.

Carried

Reeve – Tammy Stewart

Tracy Pearce, for Melinda Reith - Clerk