

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

July 18, 2013

Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Thursday, July 18, 2013 at 19:00 h. in the Municipal Hall.

Due to the forwarded regrets of the Head of Council the Clerk called upon Councillor Gibson to chair the meeting as the Alternate Head of Council as per the Procedure By-law. Councillor Gibson assumed the role of chair.

1. CALL TO ORDER & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

The following were present Councillors: Doug Antler, Jim Gibson, and Debbi Grills.

Regrets: Reeve Stewart and Councillor Reid

Staff: Melinda Reith, Clerk; Noella LeBreton, Treasurer; and 5 members of the public were present.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF – Councillor Antler concerning the request by the MLSC

4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS – none

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

- i. Council Minutes – June 13, 2013

Resolution # 18/07/13/001

Moved by Councillor Antler and seconded by Councillor Grills

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Thursday, June 13, 2013 be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

- ii. Library Board Minutes – April 29, 2013 - information

6. CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS (Correspondence received but not printed.)

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. KHR – re: Rural Municipalities Funding Toronto Transit – information
- ii. AMO – re: Trail Safety Rules – information

Action: Advertise in Newsletter – Councillor Grills to draft for next Newsletter

- iii. Union Des Municipalites du Quebec – re: financial support for Lac Megantic

Resolution # 18/07/13/001 - A

Moved by Councillor Grills and seconded by Councillor Antler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby donate \$100 to the UMQ Appeal (Lac Megantic) fund.

Carried Unanimously

- iv. OPP – re: misinterpretation of AMO update and survey - information
- v. David Anderson, County Social Services Committee – re: Ontario Renovates Program - information
- vi. Myfm – re: Renfrew County Social Services Committee quote of Reeve Stewart

Action: Clerk to reserve this document for correspondence for the next meeting

- vii. MPAC – re: update on work schedule - information
- viii. Trans Canada – re: binding open season for Energy East Pipeline and transportation of crude from west to east - information
- ix. Hon. Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Energy – re: Ontario Long-Term Energy Plan - information
- x. Alzheimer Society – re: support for a national dementia strategy

Action: Clerk to prepare resolution for next meeting - support by resolution for next meeting

- xi. Minister of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure – re: 2013 Ontario budget commitment to rural and northern infrastructure - information

- xii. Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Employment – re: Accessibility Standards Advisory Council/Standards Development Committee - information
- xiii. Goldenville – re: marketing - information
- xiv. L1 – Kinouchepirini Algonquin First Nation – Chief Tysick re: - second request to consult concerning the memberships refusal to pay property taxes - information

8. STAFF REPORTS

- i. Report #18/07/13/801 – Clerk’s Report – information only;
- ii. Report #18/07/13/802 – Treasurer’s Report – none –spent last couple of weeks working on tax billing.
- iii. Report #18/07/13/803 – Reeve’s Report – none

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS

i. Cheque Log Report
Resolution # 18/07/13/002
Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Antler
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Log to July 16, 2013 be accepted as presented.
Carried Unanimously

ii. Comparative Income Statement Report
Resolution # 18/07/13/003
Moved by Councillor Antler and Seconded by Councillor Grills
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Comparative Income Statement dated July 16, 2013 be accepted as presented.
Carried Unanimously

10. BY-LAWS - none

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

12. ADDENDUM (NEW BUSINESS)

i. Report #18/07/13/1201 – Change Date of August Council meeting to the 22nd
Resolution # 18/07/13/004
Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Antler
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby declare that the meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2013 is hereby rescheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2013.
Carried Unanimously

ii. Report #18/07/13/1202 – Missing Link Member Request - Parking and Snowplow Turnarounds
Councillor Antler left the table at 7:55 due to pecuniary interest due to his participation in the Missing Link Snowmobile Club.

Resolution # 18/07/13/005
Moved by Councillor Antler and Seconded by Councillor Grills
WHEREAS a request has been made of Council to change parking in snowplow turnarounds during winter months to accommodate trucks and trailers for trail purposes;

AND WHEREAS our Road Super has explained current practise which is practical and workable;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby agree to allow parking along the specified sides of municipal roads for parking purposes during winter months provided that specifications by the Road Super are adhered to, that proper signage is posted and that advertising is undertaken to educate and explain the process and reasoning for this allowance.
Carried Unanimously

Councillor Antler resumed his seat at 7:56 p.m.

iii. Report #18/07/13/1203 – Hall Expansion Cost

Resolution # 18/07/13/006

Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Antler

WHEREAS architectural and engineering drawings have been completed and reviewed by staff, our CBO and Mackey Construction;

AND WHEREAS the original plans are to be followed as close as possible in order to meet the requirements of the funding proposals;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby declare that the hall/kitchen expansion project be commenced based on the original applications approved through the Seniors New Horizon Fund and the Continuous Infrastructure Improvement Funds;

AND FURTHER THAT staff is directed to work with the contractor to include as many “wish list” items as possible while keeping within approved funding;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the replacement of the furnace be pursued as a separate project utilizing Gas Tax Funds in the amount of \$7,000 with additional funds in the amount of \$9,850 to be utilized from the unallocated 2012 surplus;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize staff to spend \$4,650 from the 2012 unallocated surplus to pay for architectural and engineering costs;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize staff to spend up to \$52,000 from the 2012 audited surplus and \$67,000 from the hall/office reserves to pay for remaining heating costs and wish list items.

Carried Unanimously

iv. Report #18/07/13/1204 - Strategic Planning Exercise Results and Recommendations

Resolution # 18/07/13/007

Moved by Councillor Antler and Seconded by Councillor Grills

WHEREAS staff, Council and two members of the Library Board participated in a Strategic Planning workshop led by Steve Seller of MMAH in June creating a prioritization list for further use;

AND WHEREAS the items deemed priorities to this group have been evaluated and weighted creating a ranking for Council to work with;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby declare that the existing list of priorities be circulated to obtain community and stakeholder input.

AND FURTHER THAT once community and stakeholder input has been obtained and analysed that the top 10 items be priority for the 2014 calendar year with the prioritization exercise being reviewed by staff and Council after elections in 2014.

Carried Unanimously

v. Report #18/07/13/1205 - Review of HCM's Emergency Management Plan and Program

Resolution # 18/07/13/008

Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Antler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby declare that the current emergency management plan dated October 2012 be approved.

Carried Unanimously

vi. Report #18/07/13/1206 - RCD Health Unit Program Review

Resolution # 18/07/13/009

Moved by Councillor Antler and Seconded by Councillor Grills

WHEREAS the population of Head, Clara & Maria is composed of approximately 49% of residents over the age of 55;

AND WHEREAS social program focus should provide activities for the largest single segment of any population;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby agree to work towards increasing the number of programs and services offered to area seniors by hosting information sessions alone or in conjunction with the Renfrew County and District Health Unit;

AND FURTHER THAT staff is directed to contact the Unit with a list of programs which Council deems worthy of pursuing as further directed.

Carried Unanimously

13. CLOSED SESSION – none

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION – not applicable

15. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- i. Councillor Antler – what is this section for? Explanation from Councillor Gibson that it was a Q&A for Councillors to ask questions of staff or each other and/or to share information with each other, staff or the public.
- ii. Councillor Grills – asked for fellow councillors’ opinions on how they feel about property standards in general, specifically and how you feel about a by-law in HCM.
 1. Antler – if not for railway, there is nothing that concerns me; other than the railway. No it’s not a concern; let’s let the railway leave and then see. Deux Rivieres doesn’t have anything that they would worry about.
 2. Grills – the railway clean-up is bringing things to a head.
 3. Gibson – with respect to property standards by-law the thing I enjoy most about living in HCM is that I have some legislated freedoms that others elsewhere don’t enjoy. The freedoms we have in this community are important to me. If your neighbour has a mess that you find objectionable, talk to them and try to work something out. To sit as a council and legislate others; then let’s all move to Deep River. I’m living in the best place in the world. I would be hard pressed to implement a property standards by-law in this community.

16. CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS

Resolution # 18/07/13/010

Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Antler

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2013-18 being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria at its meeting held on July 18, 2013 be read a first time short and passed.

Carried Unanimously

17. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # 18/07/13/011

Moved by Councillor Antler and seconded by Councillor Grills

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 20:22 h to meet again Thursday, August 22nd 2013 at 19:00 h.

Carried Unanimously

Reeve – Tammy Lea Stewart

Clerk – Melinda Reith