

CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

April 4, 2008

Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Friday, April 4, 2008 at 13:00 h. in Council Chambers.

The following were present: Reeve Tammy Lea Sonnenburg, Councillors: Ed Aiston, Dave Foote, Jim Gibson & Robert Reid
Staff: Road Superintendent, Wilfred Lamure; Treasurer, Ruth Morin;

PECUNIARY INTEREST –None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution # 1

Moved by Councillor Aiston and seconded by Councillor Reid

WHEREAS the Clerk has been advised of an issue where time is of the essence;

AND WHEREAS the Clerk has had time to research the issue and prepare a report to Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria agree to add the Clouthier Bros. Farm Ltd. request to the agenda under New Business.

Carried

Move Budget deliberations to first of agenda to accommodate other staff members' schedules.

1. Budget Presentation

Resolution #2

Moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Councillor Foote

WHEREAS Council and staff have reviewed a draft working document and supporting documentation printed on Friday, April 4, 2008;

AND WHEREAS staff has answered Council's questions concerning said working document;

AND WHEREAS Council has suggested amendments to the draft budget/working document;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria directs the Clerk and Treasurer to implement the suggested changes in the working document and supporting documentation and prepare a final budget document to be submitted at the April 18, 2008 meeting for adoption by Council for the 2008 fiscal year.

Carried

Questions and Answers

- \$159,288 – source and use of funds – not determined yet will have to wait until MTO defines “road and bridges capital projects”
- Need to segregate maintenance expenses for roads truck and disposal site truck – no maintenance other than routine occurring at this time
- Use of funds – as per County - so long as the use is for a “roads item” can be used, Clerk suggests we wait until confirmed by the Ministry
- Treasurer explained use of our funds to create a plan for reconstruction, will use their funds if allowed, if not will have begun process for subsequent year
- Brush hog vs. chipper – cost of brush hog - \$2,300 other makes are \$6,000 – can likely fit it in with current expenses, use contingency fund or the roads capital grant
- Hall, washroom updates – recreation reserves for future, hopefully increased funding from province and perhaps federal levels to provide for recreation facilities
- Culverts – 3 needed for 2008 as per County engineers report
- Harvey Creek Road – Road Super to have County engineer consult in spring

Action: Treasurer to incorporate specific changes as outlined in Option #2 report to Council presented at this meeting.

Road Superintendent and Treasurer left the meeting.

MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETINGS – (Resolution Prepared)

Resolution # 3

Moved by Councillor Foote and seconded by Councillor Gibson **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the regular meeting of Thursday, March 20, 2008 be accepted as presented.

Carried

DEPUTATIONS – Public Meeting – Retail Business Holiday Act – Opportunity for Comment – no one in attendance

CLERK'S REPORT (For information Only)

- Unsuccessful in obtaining funding for garage under MIII – only 243 of the approximately 450 applications were successful.
- Successful in receiving funding from the Ministry of Transportation for roads and bridges capital projects in the amount of \$159,288. Details about eligible projects will be provided by June 30, 2008.
- Application for funding for costs of diploma program successfully completed and submitted on time.

- Tax Sale Proceedings are underway on a number of properties within the municipality. Treasurer to use REALTax as the company to complete the sale process. All costs are passed on to the property owner or the eventual purchaser of the property.
- Terry received calls from 2 separate individuals re: the same dangerous dog. We do not have a domestic animal by-law, referred issue to OPP. Is the creation of a by-law or arrangements for the contract of services from an outside source something that Council wishes to pursue further? Will work towards determining whether we have an obligation under this area.
- Horses were housed elsewhere.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Year to date information is included in the Budget Presentation as above.

CORRESPONDENCE (Report and resolutions Prepared)

1. Town of Petawawa – re: Support for Canadian Troops

Resolution #4

Moved by Councillor Reid seconded by Councillor Gibson

WHEREAS the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria supports the efforts of Canadian Troops;

AND WHEREAS support for the Troops is support for the work carried out and sacrifices made by the Troops themselves and not necessarily support for any specific mission;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria would like to join the Council of the Town of Petawawa and other Ontario municipalities in their show of public support to the Canadian Troops;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria supports the enclosed resolution of the Town of Petawawa recognizing the tremendous and exemplary work and efforts of the Canadian Toops in all their missions both at home and abroad;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to General Rick Hillier, the Prime Minister of Canada, John Yakabuski – MPP, Cheryl Gallant - MP, the Town of Petawawa, and Renfrew County Council.

Carried

2. Town of Petawawa – re: Support for AECL technology

Resolution #5

Moved by Councillor Foote seconded by Councillor Aiston

WHEREAS the Premier of Ontario has recently affirmed the intention of the Governemnt of Ontario to employ nuclear technology for additional generating capacity;

AND WHEREAS Atomic Energy of Canada would be a contender to be a supplier of the technology required through its provision of the ACR-1000 reactor desgin;

AND WHEREAS the purchase of “home grown” technology would generate a huge economic benefit to Ontario, Canada and the residents of the municipalities of the County of Renfrew;

AND WHEREAS the decision of the Province in the technology to be acquired would have a major influence on the future of AECL and, in particuliar, whether AECL would survive if our own governemnt rejects our own desgin and technology;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria supports the enclosed resolution of the Town of Petawawa in its urging of the Province of Ontario to give favourable consideration to the acquisition of domestic technology for new and continuing nuclear power generation projects;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to; the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Energy; John Yakabuski – MPP; Cheryl Gallant – MP; the Town of Petawawa, and the County of Renfrew.

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE - (Information Only - Please advise if you feel any item warrants further consideration)

1. AMO Alert – re: Provincial Budget and municipal infrastructure
2. AMO Alert – re: Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Funding Update
3. OMAFRA – re: Thank you for council's views

NEW BUSINESS

1. Clouthier Bros. Farms Ltd. Request (added on April 4/08)

Resolution #6

Moved by Councillor Reid and seconded by Councillor Gibson

WHEREAS a contract for materials was created prior to the designation of the municipality under the Aggregate Resources Act in 2007 by the Ministry of Natural Resources;

AND WHEREAS the payment of .115/tonne through licensing fees was not taken into consideration in this agreement as the duty to do so did not exist at the time;

AND WHEREAS the municipality has not considered this money in any budget;

AND WHEREAS the payment of these funds would represent a cost to Clouthier Bros. that they would not be able to recoup from Leveque Bros. and would have to absorb at a loss;

AND WHEREAS Clouthier Bros. Farms Ltd. are a good corporate citizen;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria do hereby agree to waive the licence fees as requested by Clouthier Bros. Farms Ltd.;

AND FURTHER should it come to the attention of the municipality that any other owner finds itself in a similar situation that the 2007 licence fee be waived for them as well.

Carried

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Economic Development – meeting was attended by Councillor Reid – Home Show in Petawawa April 19, 20, 21 – Councillor Reid to volunteer, Councillor Foote requested. Visitor Centre contract is completed this year. Clerk request to forward copy of minutes for Council records.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

BY-LAWS (Reports and Resolutions Prepared)

1. 2008-09

Resolution #7

Moved by Councillor Aiston and seconded by Councillor Reid

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2008-09 being a by-law to authorize retail business establishments to open on certain specified holidays be read a 1st and 2nd time.

Carried

2. 2008-09

Resolution #8

Moved by Councillor Aiston and seconded by Councillor Foote

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law Number 2008-09 being a by-law to authorize retail business establishments to open on certain specified holidays be read a 3rd time short and passed.

Carried

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Snowmobile trails are officially closed.
2. Councilor Reid 8, 9,10 of April, BEM course will miss the 1st day.

ADJOURNMENT – (Resolution Prepared)

Resolution # 9

Moved by Councillor Foote and seconded by Councillor Reid **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this meeting adjourn at 14:00 h to meet again Friday, April 18, 2008 at 14:00 h.

Carried

Reeve- Tammy-Lea Sonnenburg

Clerk – Melinda Reith