

The Corporation of the Township of Plummer Additional

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Minutes November 19, 2014

Regular COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers

Call to Order

6:00 pm

Present: Mayor Beth West; Councilors: Carl MacKenzie, Angela Hornett, Peter Spik, and Ken Warwick

Staff: Clerk~Vicky Goertzen-Cooke

Observers: Paulette Ledyit, Nicole Tessier, Paul Tessier, Mike Jones, Tasha Strum (6:07pm)

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT (all of council)

- a) G. Tunnock Consulting (email Nov 12 – dates & fees)
- b) G. Tunnock Consulting (email Nov 12 – clause 15)
- c) Blevins Site Plan Agreement [by-law]

Resln 2014-293 Carl MacKenzie Peter Spik

WHEREAS Wendy & Shawn Blevins have submitted a Site Plan Application for a vacant lot with a request to build a garage first prior to the main camp for storage of supplies (Rose Lake), and:

WHEREAS the application has been reviewed by G. Tunnock Consulting (Planner) and;

WHEREAS Section 4.34 of the zoning by-law does not apply (i.e. Temporary Buildings or Structures during Construction) since the building or structure referred to must be a temporary structure, as opposed to the proposed garage which is a permanent structure, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council gives three readings and approves By-Law 2014-51 being a By-Law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Conditional Building Permit Agreement with Wendy & Shawn Blevins on behalf of the Township of Plummer Additional. CD

- d) Blevins Conditional Building Permit Agreement [by-law]

Resln 2014-294 Carl MacKenzie Peter Spik

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council gives three readings and passes By-Law 2014-52 being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute a Site Plan Agreement with Shawn & Wendy Blevins on lands described as:

Located on Lot 13, Plan M-291, Parcel 5728 SEC ACS, Rose Township, in the geographic Township of Plummer, District of Algoma as shown on Schedule “A” attached hereto and forming part of this agreement. (Vicinity of Rose Lake). CD

- e) Adjourn COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

Resln 2014-295 Angela Hornett Ken Warwick

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council adjourns the Committee of Adjustment Meeting at 6:05 pm. CD

1. ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

Resln 2014-296 Angela Hornett Carl MacKenzie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approves the Addendum to Agenda as follows:

- a) L. Smith – Ledyit Line Road (under 5d)
- b) Community Fire Safety Officer – HR Recommendations (under 8c)
- c) R. Romberg – Snow removal (under 12b) CD

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST none noted

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: n/a

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS****Resln 2014-297 Ken Warwick Peter Spik****BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council approves the minutes of; October 22, 2014; November 4, 2014 (joint) CD**REPORTS:****MUNICIPAL STAFF REPORTS ~ 6:00 pm**

5. Roads Working Foreman (RWF) ~ Kelly Belisle-Greer

a) RWF – report – no issues

A. Hornett questioned if anyone was into the office to report an accident on Plummer Road; driver hit a cement culvert.

Staff – not that we are aware of.

6:07 pm -Tasha Strum arrived

b) Transfield – Salt/Sand [see also by-laws]

c) OMAFRA – no funding for 5th Concession project:

d) Ledyit Line Road request for snow plowing

i. L. Smith – response & G. Tunnock Consulting –response

Request from Mrs. Nicole Tessier (on behalf of her parents Mr. & Mrs. Ledyit) to snow plow Ledyit Line Road (maintain all year instead of just seasonal maintenance);

- citing they received a building permit and thought it was understood by the Township that they would be living there year round;
- Mrs. P. Ledyit noted the year round service stopped around 1963 when they moved to Sault Ste. Marie.
- Mr. & Mrs. Ledyit have since they have moved back to Ledyit Line Road
- Mr. Ledyit has been snow plowing the road/entrances but he is no longer able to do that;
- Concerns noted for emergency vehicle access during the winter.
- Mr. P. Tessier noted a 5 ton snow plow truck is able to get back there.

Mayor West noted;

- that we have 23 seasonal roads;
- they are not maintained in the winter; we can't provide this service to all;
- We don't discriminate, the seasonal roads would have to be brought up to a standard to be able to be maintained all year.

K. Warwick noted that private citizens hire local contractors to remove the snow on seasonal roads.

- Mrs. Ledyit indicated that this is not an option for them.

The Mayor will talk with the Roads Working Foreperson to verify the condition status of Ledyit Line Road, Seasonal Roads and what is required to bring it into service year round.

This request was previously brought up & denied; Review of Official Plan/Zoning and feasibility to verify if situation has changed since the last inquiry.

6:40 pm Paulette Ledyit, Nicole Tessier and Paul Tessier left the meeting

6. Planning & By-law Enforcement (R. LeBlanc) – n/a

7. Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector ~ Vicky Goertzen-Cooke

a) FONOM – representative on the Board

Resln 2014-298 Peter Spik Carl MacKenzie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council supports Lynn Watson as our representative on the FONOM Board.
CD

b) Community Cultural Action Fund – deadline Nov 21 – no action

c) MMAH – regulations that come into force Jan 1, 2015:

i. Regulation 200/14 exemption from approval (Official Plan Amendments)

ii. Regulation 200/14 approval authority – Plans of Subdivision

Staff will be in a training session tomorrow on the above topics

d) Web Site – 3 quotes

Resln 2014-299 Carl MacKenzie Peter Spik

WHEREAS 3 quotes have been reviewed for the Website restructuring;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council accepts the quote from Sunrise Web in the amount of \$2,600.00 + tax, annual fee of \$595.00 + tax. CD

e) Appoint Acting Mayor (new signing authority)

Resln 2014-300 Beth West Peter Spik

WHEREAS the appointment of the Acting Mayor position rotates each year between the Councillors;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council appoints Carl MacKenzie as the Acting Mayor effective December 1, 2014. This appointment shall remain in place until a replacement is appointed. CD

f) FYI – AMO Bill 8, Public Sector & MPP Accountability & Transparency Act

8. Community Fire Safety Officer:

a) FYI: Town – new Fire Chief – Lee Lamoureux [Oct 27th]

b) Fire Safety Program 2013 Report

c) Appoint CFSO

Resln 2014-301 Peter Spik Carl MacKenzie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council accepts the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee and appoints Kathy Mroz as the Community Fire Safety Officer. CD

9. Community Emergency Management Program ~ C. MacKenzie

a) Alternate CEMC (appointment deferred to new council) – Training for Alternate CEMC

b) Checklist – Status; C. MacKenzie is working on it – defer to Dec mtg.

10. Animal Control: n/a

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

11. Health Centre ~ Ken Warwick – n/a

12. Recreation ~ Peter Spik

i. FYI- Town resln: approving Sept financials; approving Tractor to be offered for sale to North Shore Tractor; Town deferred decision on Recreation Agreement

b) R. Romberg – snow removal proposal using his own tractor

• Staff to clarify how many doors are required to be cleared with the Arena in shut down mode.

- Mayor attended the previous Town Council meeting and noted it was stated that a shovel could be used; Consensus of Plummer Council – advise Arena staff to use a shovel to clear the entrances and remove the option of hiring a snow blower from the previous communication to the Arena manager.

13. Tri-Neighbours & Waste Management ~ C. MacKenzie
14. Cemetery ~ Angela Hornett
 - a) Minutes Sept 23, 2014
15. Library, Parks & Hall ~ C. MacKenzie
 - a) Minutes – November 13th, 2014
16. Health and Safety ~ Angela Hornet -Next meeting November 26th @ 8:30 am
17. Personnel
18. Other:
 - a) Minutes – Rydal Bank Historical Society [Sept 22/14]
19. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
20. **NEW BUSINESS:**
21. **DISBURSEMENTS:**
 - a) Expenditures October 1-31, 2014

Resln 2014-302 Peter Spik Angela Hornett

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council authorizes payment of the following expenditures for October 2014: a) General \$169,420.32 b) Recreation \$8,938.37 c) Cemetery \$2,516.62 d) Health Centre (Nov6) \$3,035.02. CD

- b) Financial Statements
- c) 2013 Audited Financials (training in December for staff and council by BDO)

22. **BY-LAWS:**

- a) Transfield – Salt/Sand

Resln 2014-303 Angela Hornett Peter Spik

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this council gives three readings and passes By-Law 2014- 53 being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter in to an agreement with Transfield Services for the provision of abrasive sand for the winter season. CD

- b) Carry Forward - 2ndary Fire Agreement (Huron Shores) [prev. distributed]

Ontario Fire Marshall recommended that Plummer Additional seek out a Secondary Fire Agreement;

Resolution tabled but defeated:

Various concerns noted;

- appreciation noted towards Huron Shores for the time spent and consideration given to a potential Secondary Fire Agreement
- Concerns over the higher fee recommended from Huron Shores
- Concerns noted regarding length of response time to fires in Plummer Twsp as Huron Shores Fire Department is also a Volunteer Department.
- Fire Reports from the Town of Bruce Mines noting the level of fire activity in Plummer Twsp is low; Resolution was defeated.

K. Warwick indicated an interest in starting our own fire department.

Staff to clarify with OFM the rules regarding Mutual Aid qualifications

23. **NOTICE OF MOTIONS – resln** looking for support

a) St. Joseph – TSSA regulations & gas stations

Resln 2014-304 Carl MacKenzie Angela Hornett**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this council supports the Township of St. Joseph in their request that TSSA considers the following:

1. TSSA commit to a stakeholder consultation of small independent businesses in Northern Ontario to fully understand the impact regulation changes and enforcement on this sector;
 - a) Such a review should include meaningful consultations with all stakeholders (small town/rural independents, Ministry of Tourism, MOE, municipalities, Economic Development organizations, tourism associations, snowmobile/ATV clubs, emergency services).
 - b) Explore funding available to small businesses
2. TSSA conduct an impact analysis on its regulation changes and enforcement actions to small and rural communities in Northern Ontario;
 - a) This review should also include an analysis of whether there are enough licensed contractors in Ontario's regions to complete this work, at an affordable price, within the timeframes of the orders.
 - b) Will new public safety issues be created by consumer response to loss of re-fuelling services in their community?
 - c) Are TSSA's actions supporting Ontario's commitment to small businesses in the North?
3. TSSA commit to instituting an immediate moratorium on orders (where there is no imminent hazard) until stakeholder consultation and an impact analysis are completed.
4. TSSA conduct an audit to determine if their field inspector's behaviour is aligned with its "Corporate Values;"
 - a) Provide training or mechanism(s) to help Inspectors gain compliance, and avoid over-aggressive, or intimidating enforcement behaviour.
 - b) Provide small business operators with avenues to report Inspectors without fear of reprisal. CD

24 **MEMBERS REPORT (on items other than listed above): (COUNCIL MEMBERS)**

P. Spik; noted it has been a pleasure working staff and council: felt that over the last 4 years 99% of time we've done the right thing; steep learning curve; had some hard decisions but we were able to get the tasks done.

A. Hornett: I second that.

25. **CLOSED SESSION:** (identifiable)**Resln 2014-305 Ken Warwick Carl MacKenzie****BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council proceeds into Closed Session at 7:30 pm to consider the following subject matter in accordance with the Municipal Act. S.239 (2) d) Labour relations or employee negotiations; CD**Resln 2014-306 Angela Hornett Peter Spik****BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council returns to open meeting at 7:50 pm. CD26. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW****Resln 2014-307 Carl MacKenzie Ken Warwick****BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this Council Passes By-Law No. 2014-55, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting held prior to and on Nov 19, 2014. CD

27. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Inaugural Council Mtg - New term takes office Dec 1, 2014 @ Bruce Station Hall

Resln 2014-308 Peter Spik Carl MacKenzie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council adjourns the Meeting at 7:50 pm to meet again on December 1, 2014 or at the call of the Mayor. CD

Outgoing councillors expressed gratitude for working with a “good bunch;”

Mayor B. West thanked and presented Angela Hornett, Ken Warwick, & Peter Spik with a token of appreciation for their years of service to the Township.

Acronyms:

CF- Carry Forward

FYI – for your information

FONOM – Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

MMAH – Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

TSSA – Technical Standards and Safety Authority

Resln - Resolution

OMAFRA – Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs

Mtg - meeting

Mayor: Beth West

Clerk: Vicky Goertzen-Cooke