

MINUTES - The Blue Mountains Council Meeting



MEETING DATE: March 14, 2005, 7:00 pm
LOCATION: The Blue Mountains Council Chamber
PREPARED BY: Stephen Keast, Clerk

A. Call to Order

- Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order with all members in attendance.
- Council then enjoyed a moment of personal prayer or reflection.
- Councillor Ardiel then presented Public Works Superintendent Don Hutchinson with a Certificate of Achievement from the Ontario Good Roads Association and acknowledgement of employment by the Township and Town for 33 years.
- Don then thanked Council for the recognition, Mayor Anderson thanking Don for his dedication and contribution.
- Deputy Mayor McKinlay then requested the Consent Agenda be individually considered.
- Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather Seconded by: Michael Martin

That the Agenda of March 14, 2005 be approved as circulated, Carried.

- Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
No member declared a Pecuniary Interest with regard to any matter as listed on the Agenda.
- Previous Minutes

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather Seconded by: John McKean

That the minutes of February 28, 2005 and Special Meeting of March 7, 2005 be adopted as circulated and amended, Carried.

- There was no business arising from the minutes at that time.
- Mayor Anderson then recounted recent meetings with Provincial representatives at Queen's Park regarding various outstanding Town matters.
- Ellen further recounted that Ministry of Energy representatives indicated local Planning review would be an integral part of any renewable energy proposal approval, Councillor Fairweather noting this should be obtained in writing.

B. Deputations/Presentations: Action to be taken (recommendation, motion, etc): Initial(s)

energy/wind energy development to Council at an approximate cost of \$700.00.

In speaking to the Motion, Deputy Mayor McKinlay questioned what Council would gain, Town CAO David Creech noting the consultants could answer questions and provide a balanced review of the issues surrounding the process.

Duncan then questioned if Council would consider partnering with Grey Highlands in retaining consultant services, David noting Grey Highlands was in a slightly different position in that their planning documentation presently permits wind turbines.

Councillor Martin then stated such a presentation might be premature given a lack of formal application, Councillor McKean noting a delay in gathering information at this time may not yield sufficient time for a full municipal review prior to lapsing of time periods under the Planning Act that could result in an O.M.B. appeal.

Council then voted on the Resolution, Carried.

Council then adjourned for the scheduled Public Meetings.

Mayor Anderson then called the Council Meeting to order and Council dealt with the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 3

Moved by: Duncan R. McKinlay Seconded by: Michael Martin

That this Council does hereby receive and adopt Staff Report CAO.05.04 "Engineering Department" and further does adopt the recommendations contained therein, being:

1. the overall structure for a new Engineering & Public Works Department.
2. a new position in the organization, Director of Engineering & Public Works
3. a new position, Administrative Assistant, for the Director of Engineering & Public Works
4. the hiring of a temporary secretary for the Roads Superintendent until the full time Administrative Assistant is appointed for the Director of Engineering & Public Works.

In speaking to the Motion, Deputy Mayor McKinlay clarified the organizational chart for the Town Engineering Department, Councillor Gamble noting there should be an overall cost savings versus fully utilizing engineering consultants.

Councillor Ardiel noted the Staff Engineer would not be able to perform all engineering requirements, Deputy Mayor McKinlay noting it would be a co-ordinating position.

Council then voted on the Resolution, Carried.

Resolution No. 4

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: Duncan R. McKinlay

THAT this Council does hereby receive and adopt Staff Report CAO.05.03 "Personnel Policy" and further does adopt the recommendation contained therein, being that the policy "Approval of and Filling of Approved Positions" be effective immediately, and that the Collingwood Township "Terms & Conditions of

Armstrong and Clerk Stephen Keast be requested to attend, Carried.

Council moved into closed session at 8:23 p.m.

Council rose from closed to public session at 8:50 p.m.

Resolution No. 16

Moved by: Duncan R. McKinlay Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT this Council does hereby receive and adopt Administration/Environment Services Staff Report A/ES.05.01, "Camperdown Servicing" as amended, and further does support the Recommendations contained therein, Carried.

Resolution No. 17

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: Duncan R. McKinlay

THAT with regard to subsection 239(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, this Council do now move into closed session in order to address matters pertaining to Treasury Staff Report T.05.07 addressing personnel matters, and a Personnel Committee Report dated March 1, 2005

and personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Town or local board employees;

and labour relations or employee negotiations;

AND THAT C.A.O. David Creech, Treasurer Chris Fawcett and Clerk Stephen Keast be requested to attend, Carried.

Council moved into closed session at 8:55 p.m.

Council rose from closed to public session at 9:20 p.m.

Council then dealt with the following verbal Resolution:

Moved by: D. R. McKinlay Seconded by: G. Ardiel

THAT the Personnel Committee Report of March 1, 2005 and Treasury Staff Report T.05.07, Personnel Matters, be adopted as circulated, Carried.

H. Next Meeting Date(s)

Wednesday March 30, 2005 - 7:00 pm

I. Confirmation By-law and Adjournment

Resolution No. 18

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT By-law No. 2005-23, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on March 14, 2005, be hereby enacted as passed this 14th day of March, 2005, Carried.

Resolution No. 19

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 9:25 pm to meet again Wednesday March 30, 2005 at 7:00 pm or at the call of the Chair, Carried.

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Ellen Anderson, Mayor

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Stephen Keast, Clerk