



**MINUTES
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
April 26, 2010
6:30 P.M. at the Municipal Office 3560 County Road 26**

Council Present: Reeve Campbell
Councillor Banning
Councillor Pakeman
Councillor Stephenson

Regrets: Deputy Reeve Barton

Staff Present: Richard Bennett, Linda Robinson and Kevin Hart

Gallery: 2

Press: Prescott Journal and Brockville Recorder & Times

a) **CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

b) **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** – None

c) **DELEGATIONS**

Bob Gollinger and Valerie Kines attended on behalf of Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Gollinger explained how Habitat for Humanity works and how people qualify. He requested that the Township consider donating land for a house. Ms. Kines advised the Restore that burned down will reopen soon. She advised the homes are very simple with no garage and no paved driveways and this keeps the cost down. Most of the families are single parent families. Habitat for Humanity holds the mortgage and that helps to make the homes affordable.

The Reeve suggested that the CAO and CBO prepare a list of municipal properties that might be available and come back with a recommendation to Council.

MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by a Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council move to a Committee of the Whole to deal with Roads and Administration. Carried

ROADS

Reeve Campbell chaired the Road Committee Meeting.

d) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **Road Report**

Councillor Banning advised that they are working towards preventative maintenance which should save our roads and dollars.

e) **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Brushing**

Councillor Banning wondered when the brushing was going to start. Mr. Hart advised that he will contact the contractor again for a start date.

f) **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Reeve Campbell advised that an information session on surface treatments will take place in the Council Chambers this Thursday. Les Shepherd, County Engineer along with our Public Works Manger will be here to provide information and answer questions.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Reeve Campbell Chaired the Administration and Finance Meeting.

g) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. RVCA re: Organizational structure

Reeve Campbell advised that he prefers option 3 as it gives rural municipalities a real voice. Councillor Pakeman concurred.

2. UCLG re: Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program

3. Elizabethtown-Kitley Notice of Public Meeting re: Proposed ZB Amendment

h) **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Solar Power Projects**

Reeve Campbell advised that Augusta is probably the first in Leeds and Grenville to have solar which is located at the North Augusta Fire Hall. He felt that it is a once in a lifetime opportunity and that the municipality help municipal organizations with the support of loans etc.

Gary Thornhill from the library board wondered if Council supports the library in moving forward with a micro-fit project. If yes, to what extent would you be willing to support.

Councillor Pakeman agreed with the Reeve that he would support the library and any other groups who are interested in going ahead with a project.

Mr. Bennett advised that he discussed liability with the insurance company representative and she couldn't see any liability exposure.

Councillor Banning advised that access to the grid is probably the most important issue because without access there is no point in going any further.

Mr. Thornhill requested a letter to the Board advising of Councils position.

A show of hands revealed unanimous support. Council directed the CAO send a letter to the Board.

i) **OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Banning voiced her disappointment with the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville 3% increase for non union employees. Reeve Campbell reported that the union staff received the increase and Council felt that you cannot treat non union any different than union.

MOVE TO REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council move to a Regular Meeting of Council. Carried

j) **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council supports the SNC "Augusta Channel Drainage Improvement Project" at a 50% cost-share with SNC, to a maximum township cost of \$50,000. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council supports the Association of Municipalities of Ontario in its efforts to seek joint and several liability reform in Ontario and calls on the Provincial Government to pursue much needed changes to the *Negligence Act*. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council authorize an agreement with G. Tackaberry & Sons to exchange asphalt millings stored at Wings Quarry for 3,000 tonnes of 7/8 granular 'A' stone. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council, on recommendation of the Planning Committee, has no objection and recommends that applications B-28-10, B-29-10 and B-30-10 be approved with the conditions as outlined by Stantec. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council, on recommendation of the Planning Committee, has no objection and recommends that application B-43-10 be approved with the conditions as outlined by Stantec. Carried

Moved by a Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council, on recommendation of the Planning Committee, review the building fee comparisons prepared by the CBO. Carried

k) **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Darlene Banning
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law to implement a disciplinary policy be read a first and second time short and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council. Carried

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Carol Stephenson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law to implement a disciplinary policy be read a third time, passed and numbered 2826 and that the said By-law be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and entered into the By-law Book. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law to adopt the yearly estimates and tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment be read a first and second time short and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council. Carried

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Bill Pakeman
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law to adopt the yearly estimates and tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment be read a third time, passed and numbered 2827 and that the said By-law be signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and entered into the By-law Book. Carried

l) **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Pakeman advised that the Business Fair will be held on May 29th at Maynard School to showcase local businesses.

m) **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Bill Pakeman
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council move to a closed meeting at 8:15 p.m., as per the Municipal Act c 25, S.O. 2001 section 239 (2) to discuss:

1. A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
2. Labour relations or employee negotiations.

Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council rise and report at 8:52 p.m. Carried

n) **BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law Numbered 2828 to confirm the proceedings of Council at their meeting held April 26, 2010 be read a first, second and third time, passed and sealed with the seal of the Corporation, signed by the Reeve and Clerk and entered into the By-law Book. Carried

o) **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council do now adjourn at 8:53 p.m. until May 10, 2010 at 6:30 p.m., or until the call of the Reeve subject to need. Carried

REEVE

CLERK