



**MINUTES
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
September 27, 2010
6:30 P.M. at the Municipal Office 3560 County Road 26**

Council Present: Reeve Campbell
Deputy Reeve Barton
Councillor Banning
Councillor Stephenson

Regrets: Councillor Pakeman

Staff Present: Richard Bennett and Kevin Hart

Gallery: 6

Press: Prescott Journal and Brockville Recorder & Times

a) CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and read the following proclamation:

WHEREAS: children are our most precious resource and it is our responsibility to teach, guide and protect them and ensure they have a safe, nurturing environment in which to grow and develop to their full potential, free from violence, abuse and neglect, and

WHEREAS: child abuse and neglect are tragedies inflicted on innocent children, and a problem that crosses all socio-economic boundaries, and

WHEREAS: the prevention of child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility,

NOW THEREFORE I, Reeve Mel Campbell, on behalf of the Township of Augusta Council and the 7500 people of our great Township, do hereby proclaim October 2010 as "Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Month" to increase public awareness of the ongoing need to prevent and stop the abuse of children.

b) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Douglas Barton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for Monday September 27, 2010 be adopted.

Carried

c) **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** – None

d) **DELEGATIONS**

1. Glenn Mackey advised that the purpose of the Source Protection Committee was to identify areas where drinking water could be contaminated or depleted so that they may be protected. Mr. Mackey invited Council and the public to come out and take part in the public consultation process. October 15th is the deadline for comments to be submitted. He reported that there are funds available to assist with the purchase of land abutting well heads in Eastern Ontario.
2. Howard Allan presented the 2009 financial statements to Council. He explained how the process of PSAB has held up the final reporting this year. We are not alone, as of today only 95 of the 450 municipalities in Ontario have filled their 2009 reports with the Ministry. Mr. Allan spoke of the need for a Sustainability Plan for the township so that our Gas Tax Funding will continue in the future. This plan will have to be approved by Council and must be in place by 2012. Mr. Allan reported that our tax arrears at 6.33% are one of the lowest in this area. He commended Council and staff for good budgeting practices and financial controls. Mr. Allan stated that all in all, the financial statements reflect a healthy township.

MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Darlene Banning 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

Councillor Banning chaired the Road Committee Meeting.

e) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Road Report
Councillor Banning reported that we are still working towards completing the Skakum Road re-surfacing this year and the drainage issue on the 4th Concession. Reeve Campbell suggested we may need to talk with the Provincial Drainage Superintendent about a Municipal Drain to correct the 4th Concession drainage issue. It was suggested that letters be sent to the residents on the 4th Concession explaining the options we have investigated and where we are currently at with this project.

Councillor Banning asked if we had any report on the Rabies Clinic held earlier this month. Mr. Bennett indicated that no report had been received, but that staff felt the numbers may be down from last year. Reeve Campbell suggested we consider more advertising next year.

f) **ACTION ITEMS** – None

g) **OTHER BUSINESS** - None

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Reeve Campbell chaired the Administration and Finance Meeting.

h) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. County of Huron re: microFIT Process
2. South Nation Conservation – Drinking Water Source Protection.

i) **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Action List

j) **OTHER BUSINESS** - None

MOVE TO REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

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

k) **RESOLUTIONS**

Mover by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Douglas Barton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council confirm that a review of the Council remuneration was completed by Mr. Steve Silver, United Counties CAO, and that it was recommended that no changes be made to the current Council remuneration by-law. Carried

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Douglas Barton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council accept the tender for Contract 2010-07 Winter Sand Screening, from Elmer's Construction for a tender price of \$2.40 per cubic yard. Carried

l) **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law to appoint members to an election compliance audit committee for the Township of Augusta be read a first and second time short and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law to appoint members to an election compliance audit committee for the Township of Augusta be read a third time, passed and numbered 2849 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

m) **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- October 3rd – Open House at Limerick Forest
- October 4th – Orientation at the Health Unit on “Food Matters”
- October 6th – Business of Year Award Luncheon at Grenville Snowmobile Club
- October 7th – Homeless Youth in South Grenville. Meeting at Township Library
- October 7th – Source Protection Committee Meeting in Spencerville.
- October 18th – Next Economic Development & Tourism Committee Meeting 1:30 PM
- October 19th – Library Appreciation Night
- October 23rd – Rays Little Critters will be at the Library to help wind up the Youth Reading Program.

n) **CLOSED SESSION** – Not required

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

Moved By Carol Stephenson and Seconded Douglas Barton
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law Numbered 2850 to confirm the proceedings of Council at their meeting held September 27, 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

p) **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved By Douglas Barton and Seconded Carol Stephenson
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council do now adjourn at 7:50 p.m. until Tuesday October 12, 2010 at 6:30 p.m., or until the call of the Reeve subject to need. Carried

REEVE

CLERK