



**MINUTES
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2008**

7:00 P.M. at the MERC Hall, 120 East MacLean Blvd, Maitland

Present: Reeve Campbell
Deputy Reeve Barton
Councillor Banning
Councillor Pakeman
Councillor Swan

Staff Present: Richard Bennett
Linda Robinson

Press: Prescott Journal
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- a) **CALL TO ORDER**
Reeve Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- b) **REEVE'S OPENING REMARKS** are attached to these minutes.
- c) **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** – None
- d) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman
BE IT RESOLVED that this Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2008, and the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on the 28th day of April 2008, as printed and distributed to all Members. Carried
- e) **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - None

f) **DELEGATIONS**

Ross Markell of Craig, Keen Markell and Despatie presented and reviewed the 2007 Financial Statements. He advised that the municipality had a surplus of \$323,000. He reported that the township is in a very good position and had a good year.

Brian Huels of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville attended to give Council a progress update on the broadband coverage in Leeds and Grenville. The counties applied and received a grant of \$259,000 that must be matched by the counties and the partner which is Barrett Explorer. The goal is to cover 80% of the gap by the end of this summer. Barrett has invested 4.8 million in the project so far even though they were only required to invest \$259,000. Part of the agreement with Barrett, also known as Explornet, is that there is no installation charge to residents of Leeds and Grenville. He advised that the counties website is kept up to date with lots of information for anyone interested.

Dr. Peter Macklem and his wife Joy attended to seek Council's support to declare the St. Lawrence River as a Heritage River. TIARA is addressing all municipalities from Kingston to the Quebec boarder seeking support for this prestigious designation. He noted that Quebec is not participating at this time. They are preparing a management plan which is required for the designation. The designation will acknowledge the world importance of the river.

Councillor Pakeman wondered if it would place any business restrictions on business along the river. Dr. Macklem advised it would not have any implications.

Councillor Pakeman commented on the river watch program and wondered if it was considered as a whistle blowing organization. Dr. Macklem stated that TIARA may be considered a whistle blowing organization however the designation is not. Dr. Macklem noted that there will be no binding regulations attached to the designation.

Councillor Banning advised she has concerns with organizations expanding their interests. She stated that it sounds like a good idea however she would like to do some more research before making a decision.

g) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. T I A R A requesting support to have the St. Lawrence River designated as a Canadian Heritage River.
2. Elizabethtown-Kitley Council has endorsed the appointment of Glenn Mackey to the Source Water Protection Committee.
3. Food for All Food Bank is seeking financial support of \$1,000.
4. Tay Valley Township is seeking support of a resolution regarding Provincial Funding.
5. The Grenville County OPP 2008 Business Plan has been received.
6. The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville has advised of the High School Mountain Bike Races – May 16, 2008.
7. The Drinking Water Source Protection second draft terms of reference have been received.

8. The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs has sent information on the 2008/2009 Tile Loan Program.
9. The Office of the Fire Marshal has advised of “Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection – A Decision Maker’s Guide” to be held June 10th.
10. Township of Tiny is seeking support of a resolution requesting that the Province recognize the 400th Anniversary of the Arrival of Samuel de Champlain.
11. Minutes of the October 17th Prescott and District Chamber of Commerce meeting have been received.

h) **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Waste Management – Councillor Banning advised that the Committee met last Monday to discuss Amnesty Day and Treasure Day.

Economic Development - Councillor Pakeman advised that Opportunity Knocks will take place Wednesday May 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome and encouraged small business in Augusta that are interested in occupational safety to attend. He stated that it would be helpful if people called ahead to register if attending.

Police Services Board Meeting – Councillor Pakeman noted that Augusta has the least number of occurrences in Grenville County as shown in the 2008 Business Plan.

Boundary 2020 – Councillor Swan advised that presentations have concluded and the Board votes Wednesday at 7:00 at North Grenville High School. She thanked Karen Barkley for the exceptional job she did on her presentation to the board. She made it clear that the editorial in today’s Recorder & Times was her personal opinion and not that of Council.

Admin and Finance - Mr. Bennett advised that he will be away at the next committee of the Whole meeting and that he and Mrs. Robinson will both be away for the June 9th meeting. He wondered if Council we change the Committee of the Whole to June 2nd, the regular meeting to June 16th and the next Committee of the Whole to June 30th. Council had no objection.

Recreation – Councillor Swan advised that a meeting will be held in the next couple of weeks.

i) **NEW AND/OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Bennett advised that he has not received any written tenders for the farmland industrial park however he received a phone call today with an offer of \$500.00. Council agreed that he accept the offer of \$500.00.

Mr. Bennett noted that although he will be away next week and there are 3 items that need to be addressed. He suggested that Council hold a special meeting. Reeve Campbell suggested that the review of the CAO be done at that meeting.

j) **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Lisa Swan

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council receive the correspondence as copied and distributed to all Members. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council accepts the proposal from Stantec Consulting Ltd to undertake the new Official Plan and Zoning By-law and provide planning advisory services. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded Lisa Swan

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council authorize the application to Grenville Community Futures Development Corporation for funding under the Local Initiatives Program. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council supports the resolution of the City of Ottawa petitioning the Province to pay a proportional share of MPAC costs related to education property taxes. Carried

Moved by Lisa Swan and Seconded by Douglas Barton

BE IT RESOLVED that Council authorize the CAO to adjust the mileage rate, effective May 1, 2008, to match the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville which is currently 43.5 cents/km. Future adjustments at the Counties will be matched by the municipality. Carried

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council award the grass cutting contracts to the following based on price per cut, taxes included and proof of \$1,000,000.00 (one million dollars) liability insurance:

Kent Seabrooke

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| Municipal Office | \$40.00 |
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Russel's Lawn Care

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| McGuinn Cemetery | \$30.00 |
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| Carpenters Cemetery | \$50.00 |
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| Presbyterian Cemetery | \$30.00 |
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| Cooper Cemetery | \$30.00 |
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Kyle Stephenson

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| Riverview Heights | \$40.00 |
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Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Lisa Swan

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council award the sweeping tender to the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville at a total cost of \$95.00 per hour. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council accept the recommendation of the CAO as outlined in the confidential report dated May 9, 2008. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Lisa Swan
BE IT RESOLVED that this Council authorize the CAO to hire a Temporary Working Foreman. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded Bill Pakeman
BE IT RESOLVED that this Council approve the payment of Cheque Numbers 12908 to 13004 in the total amount of \$ 100,930.59. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Lisa Swan
BE IT RESOLVED that this Council accept the tender from John Ashby to rent the farmland located in Lot 12, Concession 3, at the tender price of \$25/acre. Carried

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning
BE IT RESOLVED that this Council has no objection to Frank Wehmeyer extending the liquor licensed area at Franks Pizza, 8575 County Road 15 in North Augusta, in order to hold an outdoor event on June 7, 2008. Safe parking in area must be provided by Mr. Wehmeyer. Carried

Moved by Lisa Swan and Seconded by Douglas Barton
Moved by Glen Kirkland and seconded by Mary Daw that a recommendation to Council that as of July 1, 2008 the Maynard Transfer Station site no longer accept paint. We would encourage Augusta Township residents use the counties household hazard waste days to dispose of this item. Tabled

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman
That Augusta Township Support the Tay Valley Township regarding Provincial Funding. Cc Robert Runciman, MPP. Carried

Moved by Lisa Swan and Seconded by Douglas Barton
BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of Augusta financially support the Food for All Food Bank in the amount of \$1000.00 to help them to continue to provide the services they do for members of our township who may be required to utilize their services. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Lisa Swan
BE IT RESOLVED that this Council authorize the CAO to rent the Industrial Park property at a price of \$500 for the purpose of removing the hay crop for the year 2008 by Mr. Tom Hamilton. Carried

k) **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning
BE IT RESOLVED that a By-law to stop up, close and sell/transfer part of a road allowance between concessions 3 and 4, part of lot 3, concession 3 and part of lot 3, concession 4, Township of Augusta, County of Grenville, designated as parts 2 and 3 on reference plan 15R-6930 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 Lisa Swan

BE IT RESOLVED that a By-law to stop up, close and sell/transfer part of a road allowance between concessions 3 and 4, part of lot 3, concession 3 and part of lot 3, concession 4, Township of Augusta, County of Grenville, designated as parts 2 and 3 on reference plan 15R-6930 be read a third time, passed and numbered 2713 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 Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that a By-law to enter into a road maintenance agreement with the Corporation of the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley be read a first and second time short and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that a By-law to enter into a road maintenance agreement with the Corporation of the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley be read a third time, passed and numbered 2714 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. Tabled

Moved by Darlene Banning 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 first and second time short and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Lisa Swan

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 2715 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 Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that a By-law to enter into a purchase agreement with Tom J. Connell and Doris M. Connell be read a first and second time short and be referred to a Committee of the Whole Council. Carried

Moved by Lisa Swan and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED that a By-law to enter into a purchase agreement with Tom J. Connell and Doris M. Connell be read a third time, passed and numbered 2716 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) **CLOSED SESSION** – Not required.

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law Number 2717 to confirm the proceedings of Council at their meeting held May 12, 2008 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

n) **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Lisa Swan

That this Council does now adjourn at 9:30 p.m., until June 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., or upon the call of the Reeve, subject to need. Carried

REEVE

CLERK