



**MINUTES  
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 14, 2009  
7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Office 3560 County Road 26**

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

Staff Present: Linda Robinson, Kevin Hart & Richard Bennett

Press: Prescott Journal and Brockville Recorder & Times

Gallery: 11

a) **CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

b) **REEVE'S OPENING REMARKS**

c) **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** – None

d) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2009, the Regular/Committee of the Whole Meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2009, the Special Meetings held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 2009 and the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December and the Public Meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, as printed and distributed to all Members. Carried

e) **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - None

f) **DELEGATIONS**

**Steve Silver**, CAO United Counties of Leeds & Grenville and Reeve Campbell gave an update of UCLG. Reeve Campbell advised of all the services provided by the counties and an overview of the 2009 budget. He advised that 46% of the budget was community and social services, 23% roads, 11% land ambulance and 9% corporate, 8% long term care and 3% protection of persons and property. Revenues come from a variety of sources including provincial subsidy, tax levy, other revenues sources such as fines, permits etc, joint services partners Brockville, Gananoque and Prescott, reserves and the federal government. A copy of the report reviewed is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Silver advised that the county has a new Economic Development Service that has been in place for about a year and a half. There is an action plan for economic development that has been adhered to. Augusta has participated in 2 summits and the sector table and he thanked council and staff for their participation and support. The next summit is on Agriculture Friday January 15<sup>th</sup> in Athens. He advised that part of their strategy is an Integrated Community Sustainability Plan which looks at the carbon footprint and enables the counties to continue to receive the gas tax funding.

They have agreed to a new fire communications panel that the counties are participating in with Brockville. This entails moving to digital system for communication systems for emergency services and should be in place by June 2010. There is currently a proposal to change the county tax installment payments to quarterly and to include the ability to charge interest.

Councillor Banning thanked Mr. Silver for the co-operation and support that has been given to our new Public Works Manager/Road Superintendent by the county staff.

**Herman Baguss** attended to address Council regarding the road construction for the 4<sup>th</sup> Concession and Skakum Road. Mr. Baguss advised that these two roads were pulverized on November 19<sup>th</sup>. He wondered why they were pulverized at this time of the year knowing that construction will not take place until at least when the ½ loads come off next spring. He also had a concern with the replacement of asphalt with tar and chip. He asked Council to reconsider the tarring of the roads and pave them instead.

Reeve Campbell stated that when those roads were completed there were only 2 choices, gravel or pavement. Now we have several choices but they all come at a price. He advised that Council has limited funds and must consider all choices. He thanked Mr. Baguss for his input and assured him that Council and staff will do the best they can with funds available.

**Ray Edwards**, Chair of Augusta Police Services Board advised Council on the creation and responsibilities of the Police Services Board. He advised that the Board is recommending that we accept the proposal from the OPP which is a 44 month contract as opposed to the current 60 month contract. The estimated annual cost of the contract for 2009 will be \$798,897. This is an increase of \$38,829 over the current contract. The hours for the proposed contract will be 662 hours less than the current contract.

Reeve Campbell advised that reduction of service was a recommendation from the OPP review committee and represents a reduction of .42 of an officer.

Councillor Banning thanked Mr. Edwards for his hard work and she felt that keeping with a contract was the right thing to do.

Mr. Pakeman thanked Mr. Edwards for his efforts on the Board.

g) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. MPAC re: Property Assessment Notices.
2. Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism re: Paul Yuzyk Award for multiculturalism.
3. Township of Madawaska Valley resolution re: changing legislation of assessment back to values of 2008.
4. Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration re: Ontario's 2010 volunteer recognition programs.
5. McNab/Braeside Disaster Relief Committee re: request for financial assistance.
6. County of Grey resolution re: Bill 150.

h) **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Agriculture & Planning** – Deputy Reeve Barton advised that there is a resolution coming forward at this meeting that is a recommendation from the last meeting. The committee also discussed development fees and this topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**Admin and Finance** – Councillor Pakeman advised that a meeting with the Council and the Library Board took place on November 30<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm. He thanked the Reeve for his work as warden over the past year. He advised that Council will be starting the township budget and welcomes all departments to do a cost containment to help save money. The goal is to maintain our taxes at an acceptable level. A meeting December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 with the office administration regarding cost contaminate brought some ideas and suggestions. They will be meeting again this week to put some dollar figure together on where costs can be saved and that will be brought to council.

**Waste Management** – Deputy Reeve Barton advised that the Committee will meet tomorrow night. The Contract with Fast Eddie is on the agenda this evening with a zero percent increase for the next two years.

**Economic Development** – Councillor Pakeman thanked the volunteers that sit on the committee for their hard work.

Mr. Bennett advised that we have a purchase and sale for the first lot in the business park. Work on the road and hydro services will need to be done.

Mr. Pakeman advised that we continue to market the industrial park. The committee is working towards the next Opportunity Knocks workshop/seminar.

**Roads** – Councillor Banning advised that the lots the township has for sale in Domville have been cleared for better marketing. She recommended that all members attend the meeting with Genivar on Thursday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the tender for work on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Concession. Information is required from South Nation regarding the possibility of acting on behalf of the Township for drainage issues. There will be cost savings with truck repairs in the budget. On recommendation of the Planning Committee,

the road superintendent will be reviewing all severances on township roads to address possible safety concerns with entranceways.

Reeve Campbell suggested the possibility of going RFP for animal control. He announced that our Roads Superintendent has recently been elected Vice president for the District Roads Superintendent's Association.

**Library** – Councillor Banning reported that the meeting with the Board and Council was very successful. She was happy to announce the successful Trillium Grant in the amount \$9,600 to insulate and re-carpet a portion of the library. The library will be closed for the Christmas break on December 20<sup>th</sup> and will reopen January 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Police Service Board** – No report.

**Recreation** – Councillor Stephenson reported that earlier tonight they accepted a grant from Ontario Hydro for \$10,000 for the ball lights in Maynard. Ice surface has been started in Maynard. When the ice is ready the light will be on a timer to come on from 5 – 10 p.m. Work has started on the ice surface in Domville. Tenders have gone out for the canteen in North Augusta and are due back on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. The job is to be complete by January 30, 2010.

i) **NEW AND/OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

j) **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council received 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 approve the payment of Cheque Numbers 13969 to 14109 and online payments to December 10, 2009 in the total amount of \$1,347,066.21. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council supports the resolution from the Township of Frontenac Islands requesting the Honourable Peter Van Loan and Correction Services Canada to keep the 6 prison farms across Canada open. Carried

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council give a donation of \$100.00 to the 2009 Spirit of Giving Campaign. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council, on recommendation of the Planning Committee, has no objection to severance application B-110-09, providing the conditions outlined in the planning report prepared by Stantec are met; and that the driveway entrance on South Campbell be a minimum 400 ft North of the South property survey stake to come close to the Minimum Entering Sight Distance stated in the AASHTO Green Book 1994 edition. Carried

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Douglas Barton  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council do acknowledge the discretionary grant of \$500.00 from Lawrence Levere, the Township's representative to South Nation Conservation Authority, and direct that those funds be donated to the Eastern Ontario Children's Water Festival to be held in June 2010. Carried

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council authorizes the landfill sites to close at noon on December 24, 2009. Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council authorize WESA to prepare the 2009 Annual Report for the Maynard Waste Disposal Site at a cost of \$5,950 plus GST. Carried

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Douglas Barton  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council authorize WESA to prepare the 2009 Annual Report for the North Augusta Waste Disposal Site at a cost of \$6,960 plus GST. Carried

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman  
WHEREAS this Council passed a resolution on November 27, 2009 to award the contract to supply and install a 10 kw solar panel system on the North Augusta Fire Hall roof to Four-O-One Electric;  
AND WHEREAS it has been confirmed that this size of system can not be installed because of the space and position for exposure to the sun;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council amend the resolution and award the contract to supply and install a 6.45 kw solar panel system on the roof of the North Augusta Fire Hall to Four-O-One Electric Ltd. for a total cost of \$64,317.00 plus GST, on the condition that they can have the project completed by March 1, 2010. Carried

k) **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Bill Pakeman  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law to enter into an agreement with Fast Eddie's Auto Recycling/Container Service to manage the waste disposal sites in 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 Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law to enter into an agreement with Fast Eddie's Auto Recycling/Container Service to manage the waste disposal sites in the Township of Augusta be read a third time, passed and numbered 2800 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**

Moved by Bill Pakeman and Seconded by Darlene Banning  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council move to a closed meeting at 9:04 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. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board.

Carried

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council rise and report at 10:10 p.m. Carried

n) **CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

Moved by Douglas Barton and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a By-law Numbered 2801 to confirm the proceedings of Council at their meeting held December 14, 2009 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 Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Douglas Barton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council do now adjourn at 10:12 p.m., until December 21, 2009 at 6:30 p.m., or until the call of the Reeve subject to need. Carried

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REEVE

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CLERK