



**MINUTES  
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MAY 25, 2009 AT 6:30 P.M  
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 3560 COUNTY ROAD 26, MAYNARD**

Council Present: Reeve Campbell  
Councillor Banning  
Councillor Stephenson

Regrets: Deputy Reeve Barton  
Councillor Pakeman

Staff Present: Richard Bennett and Linda Robinson

Gallery: 12

Press: Prescott Journal and Brockville Recorder & Times

a) **CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Reeve Campbell advised that Councillor Pakeman is away for a few days and Deputy Reeve Barton is under the weather.

b) **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** – None

c) **DELEGATIONS**

**Howard Allan** presented the 2008 financial statements. He stated that our tax rates and taxes per household are comparative with neighbouring municipalities.

He congratulated Council and staff for adhering to the budget. He suggested that since the government is offering stimulus grant money for 1/3 and interest rates are at a long time low, we should look at long term borrowing for capital projects. He suggested that the Township consider development charges for a source of revenue.

**Valerie Sylvia** and **Adrian Wynands** from the South Nation Conservation provided a slide presentation on the Clean Water Grant Program. There is \$125,000 available in grant funds for 2009. New this year is a Controlled Tile Drainage Grant. The most popular grant is the Well Decommissioning Grant. This grant is 100% covered to a maximum of \$1,000. Owners requiring a new or repair to a septic system are entitled to a grant of 50% to a maximum of \$1,000.

**Karen Cooper** from the SNC provided copies of the updated Healthy Home Guidebook. She advised that South Nation received a Trillium Grant that allowed them to revamp the book just over a year ago. They work with schools to teach kids about recycling and how to compost. They are also working on projects for adults such as: eco friendly gardening, healthy home bears, a 5 R program and environmental stewardship. She invited everyone to attend the grand opening of their new offices on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **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.

#### **d) CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Public Works Report (April 30<sup>th</sup>)

Councillor Banning advised that this is the same document that she reported on at the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Councillor Banning advised that the Public Works department has been busy replacing culverts.

#### **e) ACTION ITEMS**

1. Request from D. Caithness

Councillor Banning reported that she visited the location and felt it was not different than other areas in the Township. It was recommended that this be given to the new Public Works Manager when he arrives.

#### **f) OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Councillor Banning advised that the office at the garage needs some updating to accommodate the new Public Works Manager.

### **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**

Reeve Campbell Chaired the Admin and Finance Meeting in the absence of Councillor Pakeman

Reeve Campbell, on behalf of Councillor Pakeman, gave the following report.

Kevin Hart from Stirling, Ontario has been hired as the Public Works Manager effective June 1<sup>st</sup>. Staff will be having at least 2 staff meetings a month. It was felt that communication by all departments was desirable to develop a strong team approach.

The front entrance is nearing completion with a good job done by Chevron Construction.

The Reeve and Warden addressed the Prescott and District Chamber of Commerce on the budget for Augusta and the United Counties on May 20<sup>th</sup>. He was accompanied by CAO Richard Bennett and UCLG CAO Steve Silver.

Union negotiations are now in a conciliation stage. Additional information will be made available as soon as the Union has had an opportunity to meet with their membership.

g) **CORRESPONDENCE** - None

h) **ACTION ITEMS – ADMIN**

i) **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Mr. Bennett advised that the government has announced a Community Adjustment Fund with a deadline of June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**MOVE TO REGULAR MEETING**

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Darlene Banning

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

j) **RESOLUTIONS** - None

k) **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law to regulate the carrying on and operation of topsoil 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 Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law to regulate the carrying on and operation of topsoil in the Township of Augusta be read a third time, passed and numbered 2767 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 Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law for licensing, regulating and governing the operation of seasonal special events 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 Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT by-law for licensing, regulating and governing the operation of seasonal special events be read a third time, passed and numbered 2768 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) **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council move to a closed meeting at 7:52 p.m., as per the Municipal Act c 25, S.O. 2001 section 239 (2) to discuss:

- a) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- d) Labour relations or employee negotiations.

Carried

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council does now rise and report at 8:37 p.m.

Carried

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

Moved by Carol Stephenson and Seconded by Darlene Banning

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law Numbered 2769 to confirm the proceedings of Council at their meeting held May 25, 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 Darlene Banning and Seconded by Carol Stephenson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Council do now adjourn at 8:39 p.m. Carried

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REEVE

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CLERK