

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE
MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018
6:30 PM
SPENCERVILLE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Present: Mayor Pat Sayeau, Chair
Deputy Mayor Peggy Taylor
Councillor Michael Barrett
Councillor Gerry Morrell
Jack Bradley, Advisory Member
Dave Robertson, Advisory Member

Regrets: Councillor Karie Smail

Staff: Debra McKinstry, CAO/Clerk
Dave Grant, Director of Operations
Melanie Stubbs, Treasurer
Rebecca Williams, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Sayeau called the meeting to order at 6:30.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: M. Barrett seconded by: P. Taylor that the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof – None

4. Business Arising from Previous Committee Minutes – None

5. Delegations and Presentations – None

6. Discussion Items – None

7. Action/Information Items

a) UCLG Vacant Unit Rebate Program

Committee noted that Treasurers across the UCLG have reviewed the program and the UCLG Treasurer has recommended termination of the program. It was noted that County Council reviewed the report at the June 5th Committee of the

Whole meeting and recommended in favour of moving forward with the phase out plan.

There was a brief discussion with respect to requirements under the Municipal Act. Members noted that the program does not appear to be achieving the desired effect. Committee highlighted that the program will be phased out over a 2-year period and that the UCLG will be developing an online survey for commercial and industrial feedback on the program phase out project.

b) PSAB Budget Addendum

Moved by: G. Morrell seconded by: M. Barrett that Committee recommends that Council approve the 2018 PSAB Budget Addendum report which meets the requirements of Regulation 284/09.

Carried

c) Main St Revitalization Initiative Funding Agreement

Members noted an error on Schedule A of the agreement which noted that the Township will receive \$43,920.3697. Staff will confirm final allocation amount.

Moved by: M. Barrett seconded by: G. Morrell that Committee recommends that Council pass a by-law to enter into a municipal funding agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to receive funding for the Main Street Revitalization Initiative Program.

Carried

d) Pregnancy and Parental Leave for Members of Council Policy

Committee reviewed the policy and confirmed that the leave would not impact the annual budget. There was a brief discussion with respect to how the pregnancy/parental leave may impact a person's employment insurance. Staff will confirm the impact if any. Members suggested that an additional clause be added which requires the member of Council to notify the municipality of his/her start and end date for the 20-week pregnancy/parental leave.

It was noted that in keeping with past practices of the municipality, the member of Council on leave would continue to receive his/her honourarium. There was a brief discussion with respect to the difference between honourarium and wages. There was a brief discussion with respect to Section 259 (1) of the Municipal Act clause which declares a Council seat vacant if that member is absent from meetings of Council for three consecutive months without leave of Council.

Moved by: M. Barrett seconded by: J. Bradley that Committee recommends that Council adopts a pregnancy and parental leave policy for Member of Council.

Carried

8. Councillor Inquiries/Notices of Motion

Mayor Sayeau brought forward the following inquiries:

- When will the auditor's report be ready for presentation to Council?
- Requested a 2nd Quarter Water/Sewer Report
- Requested a season end review of the Township arena revenue and expenses
- Enquired as to when the Township will be replacing the 2015 JRDR Drain by-law that was recently declared invalid

9. Mayor's Report

Mayor Sayeau reported the following:

- Greenergy set up a booth at the Business Showcase & Expo and received a good response from the public. Greenergy current does not have any inquiries from their website page
- Provided a Port of Johnstown Port Day update with respect to vessel attendance, reception, tours and speeches timeframe
- Port of Johnstown had a booth at the Business Showcase & Expo and members of the public won tours of the elevators
- HMCS Moncton will be berthed at the Port from July 26-28, 2018
- There is a new business in Johnstown, located at the Hasiuk property.
- Attended the UCDSB Community Partnership & Planning meeting
- Spoke to Trustee McAllister at the UCDSB Community Partnership & Planning meeting regarding the delay in putting Benson Public School for sale in the public market
- Presented thank you plaque from the Fort Town Night Run Organization

10. Question Period – None

11. Closed Session – None

12. Adjournment

Moved by: D. Robertson seconded by: J. Bradley that Committee does now adjourn at 7:05 p.m.

Carried

These minutes were approved in open Council this 25th day of June, 2018.

Chair



Deputy Clerk

