



MEETING MINUTES

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA P.O. BOX 306 INGERSOLL, ONTARIO APRIL 17, 2018

The regular meeting of the Township Council was held at 6:30 p.m. on April 17, 2018 at the Township Municipal Office.

Present were:

Mayor: Margaret Lupton
Councillors: Ron Forbes, Marie Keasey, Marcus Ryan and Doug Matheson

Chief Administrative Officer: Donald W. MacLeod
Clerk: Karen Martin

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lupton calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

25-04-18 Moved by: Doug Matheson Seconded by: Marcus Ryan

“THAT the agenda be adopted as printed and circulated.”

Disposition: Carried

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

No member of Council makes a declaration of pecuniary interest or the general nature thereof.

4. MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

(a) Minutes from the Council meeting held on April 3, 2018.

26-04-18 Moved by: Marie Keasey Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT the minutes from the April 3, 2018 Council meeting be adopted as printed and circulated.”

Disposition: Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS & DRAINAGE MEETINGS

(a) **7:30 p.m.** – Henderson Drain – Consideration of Report – Lots 15 to 18, Concessions 11 and 12 (East Nissouri).

Engineer's Review of Drainage Report

Mike DeVos, Spriet Engineering provides Council with background information on the Henderson Drain 2018. Mr. Devos reviews the Drain Report submitted February 27, 2018 and recommendations within. Mr. DeVos notes that the old drains in the area will be formally abandoned and catch basins will be installed on either side of the road.

The work was initiated by a petition signed by Oxford County in order to provide outlet for their proposed Road 84 – Oxford Road 16 reconstruction.

Comments from Drainage Superintendent

None.

Council Question Period

None.

Public/Agency Question Period

Alan Sims questions if they will be hooking up the existing tile going South from the road. Mr. DeVos notes that the existing tile will be cross connected to the new tile.

Public Present

Jim Sims

Alan Sims

Melissa Abercrombie, Oxford County

27-04-18 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Marie Keasey

“THAT the report of Spriet Associates dated February 27, 2018 for drainage works known as Henderson Drain 2018 be adopted at an estimated cost of \$72,700.00.”

Disposition: Carried

(b) **7:40 p.m.** – McKay-Barnett Drain – Consideration of Report – Lots 14 to 17, Concessions 13 and 14 (East Nissouri).

Engineer’s Review of Drainage Report

Mike DeVos, Spriet Engineering provides Council with background information on the McKay-Barnett Drain 2018 . Mr. Devos reviews the Drain Report submitted February 27, 2018.

The work was initiated by a petition signed by Oxford County in order to provide outlet for their proposed Road 84 – Oxford Road 16 reconstruction.

Comments from Drainage Superintendent

None.

Council Question Period

None.

Public/Agency Question Period

None.

Public Present

Louise McLennan

Cindy & Harold McCall

John Van Ostaeyen

Melissa Abercrombie, Oxford County

28-04-18 Moved by: Doug Matheson Seconded by: Marcus Ryan

“THAT the report of Spriet Associates dated February 27, 2018 for drainage works known as McKay-Barnett Drain 2018 be adopted at an estimated cost of \$151,200.00.”

Disposition: Carried

(c) **7:50 p.m.** – Borland Drain – Consideration of Report – Lots 15 to 20, Concessions 12 and 13 (East Nissouri).

Engineer’s Review of Drainage Report

Mike DeVos, Spriet Engineering provides Council with background information on the Borland Drain 2017. Mr. Devos reviews the Drain Report submitted December 15, 2017 and recommendations within.

The work was initiated by a petition signed by Oxford County in order to provide outlet for their proposed Road 84 – Oxford Road 16 reconstruction.

Comments from Drainage Superintendent

None.

Council Question Period

Mayor Lupton questions if there will be a bike lane. Ms. Abercrombie notes that it may not be signed as a bike path as it would have to be looked at through the Transportation Master Plan.

Public/Agency Question Period

Mr. Leach questions if they will be putting shoulders on the road. Mr. DeVos notes that they will be built to current road design standards.

Public Present

Cindy & Harold McCall

Mike Leach

Melissa Abercrombie, Oxford County

29-04-18 Moved by: Marie Keasey Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT the report of Spriet Associates dated December 15, 2017 for drainage works known as Borland Drain 2017 be adopted at an estimated cost of \$123,700.00.”

Disposition: Carried

30-04-18 Moved by: Marcus Ryan Seconded by: Doug Matheson

“THAT the Council meeting be adjourned at 8:05 p.m. for the purposes of holding a public meeting pursuant to the provisions of the *Planning Act*.”

Disposition: Carried

(d) **8:00 p.m.** – Zoning Application ZN5-18-02 submitted by Glen Chambers pertaining to lands described as Part Lot 26, Concession 8 (West Zorra), located on the north side of Road 92 between 45th Line and 47th Line, and is municipally known as 924493 Road 92.

The applicant Glen Chambers is in attendance.

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community and Strategic Planning Office reviews the planning report for the Committee pertaining to property described as Part Lot 26, Concession 8 (West Zorra), in the Township of Zorra. The subject property is located on the north side of Road 92 between 45th Line and 47th Line, and is municipally known as 924493 Road 92.

The purpose of the zone change application is to facilitate the severance of agricultural lands to be merged with an adjacent agricultural parcel and retain a lot containing an existing residential dwelling (Consent Application B18-03-5). The severance was conditionally approved by the County of Oxford Land Division Committee on March 1, 2016. Ms. House notes that the recommendation is to approve the application in principle pending a survey being submitted.

Ms. House notes that there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours.

Council Question Period

None.

Public Question Period

None.

Council Question Period

Councillor Forbes questioned how many people used the current exemption on Tuesdays. Mr. Segeren noted that 4 people used it during the exemption period. Councillor Forbes further questions the length of time that they were there for. Mr. Segeren notes the average person spends 1.5 hours. Councillor Matheson questions if there is a reason why members cannot use the other times that are already allotted. Mr. Segeren notes that it allows members who are on shift work and weekends time to shoot.

Public Question PeriodPublic in Attendance

None.

33-04-18 Moved by: Marcus Ryan Seconded by: Doug Matheson

“THAT the Council of the Township of Zorra deny an exemption to the Noise Control By-law for the Tavistock Rod & Gun Club dated April 3, 2018.”

Disposition: Carried

(d) **8:30 p.m.** – Gail Smith - Tavistock Rod & Gun Club Noise Concerns

Gail Smith notes that the location of the gun club is not suiting for the area within the Municipality. Ms. Smith questions if local residents and youth use this gun club. Ms. Smith requests no shooting on holidays and stop trap shooting.

Ms. Smith requests that the 3 hours for trap shooting be written out so that neighbours are aware of when it will be happening. Mr. Segeren notes that it is 6:00p.m.-9:00p.m.

Council Question Period

Councillor Ryan notes that this is not a new issue and a compromise was reached in the existing Noise By-law after a lot of hard work. Councillor Ryan further notes that there will always be people on each end of the compromise. Council looks at where we allocate staff time and a lot more value in staff spending time on an item such as our Recreation, Arts & Culture Master Plan than reviewing by-laws that are currently working. Councillor Ryan notes that the current by-law does not prohibit what the gun club is doing, which is to offer a recreation activity.

Mayor Lupton notes that she does not feel that the Township should re-open the Noise By-law.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in Attendance

Cher Sprague
Betty Van de Kemp
Kathy Eckert
Tim Van de Kemp
John Hiuser
Nancy Skillings
Brenda Krantz
Philip Kerr
Jennifer Baker
Gail Smith

7. REPORTS FROM STAFF & CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING DIRECTION

(a) Memorandum 2018-058 from the Recreation & Facilities Program Coordinator regarding Adoption of the Recreation, Arts & Culture Master Plan. (See item 6(c)).

34-04-18 Moved by: Marcus Ryan Seconded by: Doug Matheson

“THAT Council adopt the Recreation, Arts & Culture Master Plan as a document of principles and guidelines that will serve to guide the Township in the development of recreation, arts and culture;

AND THAT Township staff be directed to commence implementation of the recommendations found within the Recreation, Arts & Culture Master Plan and continue to report on the progress of the Master Plans’ implementation.”

Disposition: Carried

(b) Correspondence from Thamesford Public School regarding facility rental for the Student Leadership Team.

35-04-18 Moved by: Marie Keasey Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council supports the decreasing of the rental fee for the Arena and Hall Rental at the Thamesford District Community Centre at the community rate amount of \$311.00 for Thamesford Public School Student Leadership Team.”

Disposition: Carried

(c) Memorandum 2018-057 from the Director of Finance regarding 2018 First Quarter Budget Update.

36-04-18 Moved by: Doug Matheson Seconded by: Marcus Ryan

“THAT Memorandum 2018-057 from the Director of Finance be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

7.1 LANDFILL PROPOSAL CORRESPONDENCE

No items.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

(a) Landfill Proposal Update
i) No items.

(b) High Speed Rail Proposal Update
i) Correspondence from the Town of Ingersoll regarding support resolution.

(c) Committees and Boards Updates
i) Minutes from 2017-11-28 Zorra Community Policing Committee meeting.

(d) Correspondence from Ontario Trillium Foundation regarding Funding Announcement – Zorra Water and Wheels.

37-04-18 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Marie Keasey

“THAT items 8(b)-(d) be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No items.

15. ADJOURNMENT

41-04-18 Moved by: Ron Forbes

Seconded by: Marie Keasey

“THAT this session of Council be now adjourned and herewith closed at 9:20 p.m. and the next meeting of Council be called for the 1st day of May, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Township Municipal Office.”

Disposition: Carried

MAYOR



CLERK

