

Council Meeting Highlights

April 17, 2018

Public Meetings

Henderson Drain/McKay-Barnett Drain/Borland Drain

The County of Oxford is proposing to reconstruct Road 84 (Oxford Road 16) east of Kintore. Part of this reconstruction requires that municipal drains in the area be upsized to handle additional surface water. M.P. DeVos of Spriet Associates, engineer for the project, presented the drainage reports to Council and members of the public.

Cost of work for the Henderson Drain is \$72,700 and the County of Oxford has been assessed \$71,930 as their share of the project.

Cost of work for the McKay-Barnett Drain is \$151,200 and the County of Oxford has been assessed \$79,345 as their share of the project.

Cost of work for the Borland Drain is \$123,700 and the County of Oxford has been assessed \$122,745 as their share of the project.

Glen Chambers, Zone Change Application, 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. The lot to be severed comprises an area of approximately 19.2 ha (48 ac) and contains agricultural land and a partially demolished barn and silo. The lot to be enlarged comprises 40 ha (100 ac), with frontage of 609.6 m (2,000 ft) along Road 92, and contains a broiler barn, silos, equipment storage buildings and an accessory single detached dwelling. The resulting enlarged lot would have an area of approximately 59.2 ha (148 ac). Council approved the application for zone change.

Delegations

Todd Brown & Denis Kwan, Monteith Brown Planning Consultants

Mr. Brown and Mr. Kwan presented the Final Recreation, Arts & Culture Master Plan and all recommendations within the Plan. Council formally adopted the Plan.

Awards Presentations

Council recognized the following award winners:

- Justin Dodd, Men's Star 6 Division Gold at 2018 Skate Ontario Starskate Provincial Championships in Kingston
- Ella Perry, winner of Earth Day Poster Contest
- Shannon Woods & Pier Nauta placed first at the Skate Ontario StarSkate
- Provincial Championships for Star 8/9 Dance.
- Thamesford Minor Hockey Peewee – International Silverstick Champs
- Don Weir - Senior of the Year
- Wendy Marshall – Volunteer of the Year

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Tavistock Rod & Gun Club

Tim Segeren, President of the Tavistock Rod & Gun Club appeared before Council seeking an exemption from the Noise By-law. Area residents also appeared to speak in opposition to the request. Council refused the Noise By-law exemption request.

Correspondence & Staff Reports

Thamesford Public School

Thamesford Public School Student Leadership Team requested use of the arena and hall in Thamesford for Family Fun Fitness Night May 3, 2018. Council granted a request for reduced rent.

First Quarter Budget Update

The Director of Finance presented a report to advise Council on the status of the first financial quarter of 2018. Revenues and expenditures are as anticipated and no items were flagged for Council's attention.

Water and Wheels Trillium Foundation Grant

The Ontario Trillium Foundation announced that the Township of Zorra was successful in receiving a \$150,000 grant towards construction of a spray pad and skateboard park in Thamesford. Much hard work went into this application and the Water and Wheels Committee would like to thank Director of Finance, Maureen Simmons and Wendi Jackson for their efforts.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is to be held on May 1, 2018, at 9:30 am in the Council Chambers.