

VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD MINUTES

Council Meeting –February 26, 2008

6:00 p.m. – Council Chambers, Point Edward Municipal Office

135 Kendall Street, Point Edward, Ontario

Council Members Present:

Deputy Mayor Robson Councillor MacKenzie
Councillor Hand Councillor Churchill

Staff Present:

CAO Cramp

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Robson advised that although she does not have a direct pecuniary interest, there may be a conflict of interest that could be perceived by any member of the public as important to the rezoning application that is being heard at this meeting. Rather than have any repercussions, she declared a pecuniary interest and left the Chair at this time while the rezoning application was considered by Council at the public meeting and at Regular Council Session.

Councillor MacKenzie chaired the meeting at this time.

PLANNING – PUBLIC MEETING

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO A PUBLIC MEETING

1. Application for Zoning By-law Amendment Part of Lots 4 and 5, Block T, Plan 2 – 510 Michigan Avenue (corner of Michigan Ave. and Arthur St.)

Resolution #1

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT Council adjourn to a Public Meeting for the rezoning application.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION TO RECONVENE TO REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION

Resolution #2

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT Council reconvene to Regular Council Session, at 6:40 p.m.

CARRIED.

1. By-law Number 9 of 2008, Being a By-law to Amend By-law 9 of 1982 Pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act.

Resolution #3

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT By-law Number 9 of 2008, Being a By-law to Amend By-law 9 of 1982 Pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, as amended with the removal of the Permitted Uses of Restaurants, Libraries, Private Clubs, Commercial Clubs and Bakery, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 26th day of February, 2008.

Recorded Vote:

Acting Chair MacKenzie – Yea

Councillor Hand – Yea

Councillor Churchill – Yea

CARRIED.

Acting Chair MacKenzie left the Chair at this time and Deputy Mayor Robson chaired the remainder of the meeting.

DELEGATIONS

Nil

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council meeting of January 22, 2007.

Resolution #4

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of January 22, 2007, be adopted.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. General Operations: Total Revenues for the month of January 2008.

Resolution #5

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Total Revenues for the month of January, 2008 for General Operations in the amount of \$61,974.57, be approved.

CARRIED.

General Operations: Total Expenditures for the month of January 2008.

Resolution #6

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Total Expenditures for the month of January, 2008 for General Operations in the amount of \$163,266.89, be approved.

CARRIED.

2. Water/WWTP: Total Revenues for the month of January 2008.

Resolution #7

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Total Revenues for the month of January, 2008 for the Water/WWTP Department in the amount of \$31,593.73, be approved.

CARRIED.

Water/WWTP: Total Expenditures for the month of January 2008.

Resolution #8

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Total Expenditures for the month of January 2008 for the Water/WWTP Department in the amount of \$33,427.54 be approved.

CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Police Services Board meeting minutes of January 8, 2008.

Resolution #9

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Police Services Board meeting minutes of January 8, 2008, be received and filed.
CARRIED.

2. Blue Water Bridge Canada meeting minutes of January 24, 2008.

Resolution #10

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Blue Water Bridge Canada meeting minutes of January 24, 2008, be received and filed.
CARRIED.

3. Arena/Community Hall Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #11

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Arena/Community Hall Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008, be adopted.
CARRIED.

4. Fire Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #12

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Fire Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008, be adopted.
CARRIED.

5. Parks Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #13

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Parks Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008, be adopted.
CARRIED.

6. Public Works Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #14

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008, be adopted.
CARRIED.

7. Finance Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #15

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Finance Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008, be adopted.
CARRIED.

8. Water/Waste Water Treatment Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #16

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Water/Waste Water Treatment Committee meeting minutes of February 12, 2008, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

1. News Release from County of Lambton Office of the CAO re: Council Highlights for January and February 2008.

Resolution #17

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the News Release from County of Lambton Office of the CAO re: Council Highlights for January and February 2008, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

2. Summary of Plumbing Permits from the County of Lambton Building Services Department – summary for the month of December 2007 and January 2008

Resolution #18

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Summary of Plumbing Permits from the County of Lambton Building Services Department – summary for the month of December 2007 and January 2008, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

3. Memo from the County of Lambton Office of the County Warden re: \$15 million in Federal Funding for the Research Park.

Resolution #19

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Memo from the County of Lambton Office of the County Warden re: \$15 million in Federal Funding for the Research Park, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

4. 2007 Building Report – Point Edward Permits Issued.

Resolution #20

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the 2007 Building Report – Point Edward Permits Issued, be accepted.

CARRIED.

5. 2008 Building Permits Issued for Point Edward

Resolution #21

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the 2008 Building Permits Issued for Point Edward, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

6. Point Edward O.P.P. Police Services Board Report of February 12, 2008.

Resolution #22

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Point Edward O.P.P. Police Services Board Report of February 12, 2008, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL ACTION)

1. Memo from Drinking Water Source Protection re: Review of December 2007 Draft Watershed Characterization Report.

Resolution #23

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Memo from Drinking Water Source Protection re: Review of December 2007 Draft Watershed Characterization Report, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

2. Letter from the Canadian Red Cross requesting acknowledgement of Province-wide raffle lottery.

Resolution #24

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the signed letter of approval be provided to the Canadian Red Cross acknowledging their Province-wide raffle lottery.

CARRIED.

3. Letter from Tom and Faith Hamilton requesting support re: truck emissions.

Resolution #25

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Letter from Tom and Faith Hamilton requesting support re: truck emissions, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

4. Letter from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services re: Completion of the Municipal Emergency Management Program.

Resolution #26

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Letter from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services re: the successful Completion of the 2007 Municipal Emergency Management Program, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

5. Letter from the Point Edward Nursery School re: Child Care Centre Update.

Resolution #27

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the letter from the Point Edward Nursery School regarding the update on their Child Care Centre, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

6. Memo from the County of Lambton Building Services Department re: Woodlands By-Law for the County of Lambton – Amendment.

Resolution #28

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Memo from the County of Lambton Building Services Department re: the amendment of the Woodlands By-Law for the County of Lambton, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

7. Application from the Sarnia Yacht Club re: Dredging Permit for 2008.

Resolution #29

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Application from the Sarnia Yacht Club re: their Dredging Permit for 2008, be approved.

CARRIED.

8. Resolution from the Township of Greater Madawaska requesting support re: Logging on Crown lands.

Resolution #30

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Resolution from the Township of Greater Madawaska requesting support re: Logging on Crown lands, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

9. Resolution from the Township of Galway-Cavendish & Harvey requesting support re: Ban on the ownership of handguns.

Resolution #31

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the Township of Galway-Cavendish & Harvey to petition the federal and provincial governments to ban the ownership of handguns.

CARRIED.

10. Resolution from the City of Waterloo requesting support re: Canadian Broadcasting Corporation Local Programming.

Resolution #32

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Resolution from the City of Waterloo requesting support re: Canadian Broadcasting Corporation Local Programming, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

11. Resolution from the Corporation of the Township of Russell requesting support re: Municipal Debt Capacity.

Resolution #33

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Resolution from the Corporation of the Township of Russell requesting support re: Municipal Debt Capacity, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

12. Resolution from the City of Port Colborne requesting support re: FCM Report "Danger Ahead - the Looming Collapse of Canada's Municipal Infrastructure.

Resolution #34

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the City of Port Colborne to petition the federal and provincial governments to establish a national plan to eliminate the municipal infrastructure deficit through the provision of equitable long-term funding strategies, to prepare the groundwork for effective management in the future and to undertake a comprehensive, national study, involving all three orders of government to determine the size, scope and geographic characteristics of the municipal infrastructure deficit.

CARRIED.

13. Resolution from the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands requesting support re: Transfer of responsibility for the operation of all municipal drinking water systems within the Province.

Resolution #35

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Resolution from the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands requesting support re: Transfer of responsibility for the operation of all municipal drinking water systems within the Province, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

14. Resolution from the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus requesting support re: Farm Tax Rebate.

Resolution #36

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus to petition the Province of Ontario to provide compensating revenue to the municipalities of Ontario that have been negatively impacted by the transition from the Farm Tax Rebate Program to the agricultural property tax rate reduction program.

CARRIED.

15. Resolution from the Town of Newmarket requesting support re: Misuse of disabled parking permits and parking spaces.

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Resolution from the Town of Newmarket requesting support re: Misuse of disabled parking permits and parking spaces, be received and filed.

NO SECONDER.

Resolution #37

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the Town of Newmarket to request that the Premier of Ontario take action to eliminate the misuse of disabled parking permits and parking spaces, including but not limited to such actions as:

- Ensure that Justices of the Peace enforce the minimum fines that apply to offenders;
- Provide for a two-point penalty on the offender's driver license;
- Establish penalties for the misuse of a disabled parking permit including fines and a two-point penalty on the offender's driver license;
- Require people who hold a disabled parking permit to obtain a special photo identification card; and
- Provide for minimum fines for those who block disabled parking spaces, ie. Using disabled parking spaces for snow storage.

CARRIED.

16. Resolution from the Town of Amherstburg re: Lead testing mandated by Province for Municipal drinking water.

Resolution #38

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded Councillor Hand

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the Town of Amherstburg requesting that the Province of Ontario provide the immediate necessary funding to Ontario Municipalities to finance the costs of the mandated Lead Testing for Municipal Drinking Water.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVE AND FILE – LISTED

Listed as of February 20, 2008

1. News Release from Bluewater Health re: Hospital Board Appoints New Members.
2. News Release from Bluewater Health re: Provincial Government Approves Issuing of Tender for Cataract Clinic.
3. News Release from the County of Lambton Children's Services Department re: New Web Calculator Helps Determine Child Care Subsidy Available for Families.
4. News Release from the County of Lambton Office of the Warden re: Lambton County Resident Charlie Fairbank to Receive Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement.
5. AMO Member Communication Alert re: AMO Supports FCM's Call for Intergovernmental Action on Housing and Homelessness.
6. AMO Member Communication Alert re: AMO's Pre-Budget Submission Seeks Continued Transformation of fiscal Arrangements.
7. AMO Member Communication Alert re: AMO's Response to a Commentary in Recent Edition of the Financial Post.
8. AMO Member Communication Alert re: AMO Report to Members on January 2008 Board Meeting.
9. AMO Member Communication FYI re: Canada and Ontario Announce Call for Proposals on Local Immigration Partnerships.
10. AMO Member Communication Alert re: Federal Liberal Party Pledges Infrastructure Money.
11. Letter from the Office of the Prime Minister acknowledging receipt of Village correspondence re: Support of Resolution passed by the Township of Stirling-Rawdon with respect to assistance for residents dealing with the aftermath and repercussions of a catastrophic natural event.
12. Letter from the Minister of Indian Affairs acknowledging receipt of Village correspondence re: Support of Resolution from the Township of Tyendinaga with respect to the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte's Culbertson Tract specific claim.
13. Email from Rebecca Canty re: Emerald Ash Borer – Latest Information.
14. St. Clair Conservation Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2007.
15. Information Circular from the Province of Ontario re: Community Lead Testing Program.
16. Editorial re: Region's Near-Zero Hike Deserves Applause.
17. Letter from the YMCA re: Immigrant / Newcomers Settlement Program.
18. Letter from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration re: Nominations for the Newcomer Champion Awards.

19. Newsletter from the County of Lambton Community Health Services Dept. – Being Well – Winter 2008.
20. Letter from the Sarnia Lambton Workforce Development Board re: 2008 Trends, Opportunities and Priorities Report. (located in Councillor's office)
21. Letter from Independent Electricity System Operator re: The Bottom Line on Energy Management (booklets located in Councillor's office).

Resolution #39

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Communications (Receive and File – Listed), be received and filed.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Source Protection Open House has been moved to Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office

This was received as information.

BY-LAWS

1. By-law Number 7 of 2008, Being a By-law to Enter Into An Agreement With the Social Service Bureau of Sarnia-Lambton Incorporated (Operating as Family Counselling Centre).

Resolution #40

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT By-law Number 7 of 2008, Being a By-law to Enter Into An Agreement With the Social Service Bureau of Sarnia-Lambton Incorporated (Operating as Family Counselling Centre), be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 26th day of February, 2008.

CARRIED.

2. By-law Number 8 of 2008, Being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted Up To and Including February 26, 2008.

Resolution #41

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT By-law Number 8 of 2008, Being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted Up To and Including February 26, 2008, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 26th day of February, 2008.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCILLORS

Conservation Authority Meeting

A guest speaker was at the recent Annual Meeting of the Conservation Authority who spoke regarding the Great Lakes Study initiatives. His explanation for the decreased water depths is that the water is warmer and the lake is not freezing over resulting in greater evaporation. He noted that the record low occurred in 1977 and the record high occurred in 1993.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #42

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m. until the March 25, 2008 call of the Chair or at such time as a Special Committee meeting is held to discuss legal matters, property matters or personnel matters.

CARRIED.

Deputy Mayor Janice Robson

CAO/Clerk Peggy Cramp