

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH STORMONT
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
August 10, 2015

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Township of South Stormont was held at Town Hall at 9:00 a.m., August 10, 2015.

Present

Council: Mayor Jim Bancroft
Deputy Mayor Tammy Hart
Councillors Donna Primeau, David Smith, and Richard Waldroff
Staff: Betty de Haan, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk
Loriann Harbers, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

1. Call to Order
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
3. Approval of Minutes

Resolution No. COTW-12-2015

Moved by Councillor Primeau
Seconded by Councillor Smith

That the Committee of the Whole minutes dated June 22, 2015 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Delegations

Mr. Michael Sharp was in attendance to speak to Council with regards to a "Dog off Leash" ticket he received while at Lakeview Park.

5. Staff Reports

Gilles Crepeau, Fire Chief and Ross Gellately, Director of Public Works joined the meeting.

Newington Sidewalks

County Road 12 is scheduled for reconstruction in 2016. Members discussed maintaining the existing sidewalk structure and not providing winter maintenance or removing the sidewalk adding an extra lane, as was done in Monkland.

Following discussion, members agreed that the existing sidewalk structure will remain as it appears that this is the desire of most of the residents of Newington. An action request will be prepared for the September 9, 2015 Council meeting.

Additionally, winter maintenance of the sidewalks will be discussed as part of the 2016 budget process.

Fire Master Plan, Council Workshop

Chief Crepeau explained what information would be covered as part of the workshop and further explained that this will be Council's opportunity to comment prior to the completion of the process.

Council concurred and an Action Request will be presented at the August 12, 2015 regular meeting.

Keep South Stormont Beautiful By-law

Council considered the recommendation provided by the Property Standards Committee. Following discussion, Council preferred to have all property standards issues, i.e., un-mowed grass and weeds and garbage complaints go through the property standards process in the Property Standards By-law.

An Action Request will be brought to the August 12, 2015 regular meeting where Council will have the opportunity to formally vote on the action.

6. Discussion of Additional Items

South Stormont Bingo Proposal

Councillor Smith explained the proposal to Council advising that volunteer organizations will have opportunity to fundraise for their respective groups. Discussion included hall rental, interested organizations with commitment and the creation of an additional recreational activity in the Township.

Staff are instructed to conduct the additional necessary research and provide an Action Request to Council for consideration at a forthcoming Council meeting.

Whistling Cessation

A concerned resident has requested the Township investigate enacting a by-law restricting trains from blowing their whistles at local cross roads.

Concerns including municipal liability were discussed. Director of Public Works Gellately will confer with the South Glengarry Director of Public Works as they have experience in this regard.

7. Unfinished Business

Solar Farm Development

Council discussed the proposed Barlow Solar Development Agreement. Staff advised that the agreement has been forwarded to the Township solicitor for review.

The developers understand that the legal review cost, in addition to the cost associated if a Special Council meeting is required, will be assumed by them.

Presentation – Rodney Wilson

Council discussed the presentation to be made to Rodney Wilson at the August 12, 2015 Council meeting.

Chief Crepeau departed the meeting.

8. Closed Session

Resolution No. COTW-13-2015

Moved by Councillor Waldroff

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hart

Be it resolved that this Council as provided in Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* move into a Committee of the Whole closed meeting at 10:55 a.m. to address a matter pertaining to: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; Specifically: Public Works Employment and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board; Specifically: Kraft and Morgan Road Bridge Files.

CARRIED

Resolution No. COTW-14-2015

Moved by Councillor Smith

Seconded by Councillor Primeau

That Council move out of this Committee of the Whole closed meeting at 11:18 a.m.

CARRIED

9. Adjournment

Resolution No. COTW-15-2015

Moved by Councillor Primeau

Seconded by Councillor Waldroff

That Council adjourn this Committee of the Whole meeting of Council at 11:19 a.m., and return to the call of the chair.

CARRIED

Mayor

Clerk