

**TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
February 22, 2011**

The Committee of the Whole met on Closed Session at 4:30 p.m. and in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on the above date. Present: Mayor Cowan and Councillors Bauman, Bryant, Herteis and Poffenroth. Councillor Herteis chaired the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION – 4:30 P.M.

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Councillor Bryant

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich convene in closed session in accordance with Section 239 (1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended with respect to a matter pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board.

...CARRIED

MOVED BY Councillor Bryant

SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman

THAT Council reconvenes in Regular Session.

...CARRIED

DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – 6:00 P.M.

None.

RESOLUTIONS TO COME FORWARD FROM CLOSED SESSION

None.

DELEGATIONS

Jeff Stager, Waterloo Federation of Agriculture Re: Introduction

Jeff Stager, of the Waterloo Federation of Agriculture congratulated Council and thanked them for their willingness to dedicate four years of service. Mr. Stager introduced and described the Waterloo Federation of Agriculture and referred to the Census Bulletin included in their Council packages with farming statistics and information provided by the Region of Waterloo Mr. Stager provided a booklet on information about the farming business and highlighted aspects of both the document and booklet provided. Mr. Stager concluded that he looks forward to working with Council over the next four years of their term.

In response to a question raised by Mayor Cowan, Mr. Stager explained the farm size statistics included in the census bulletin. Mayor Cowan also noted that Council deals

with a lot of concerns regarding land use, and was told that farming is hard on the land as it strips the nutrients. Mr. Stager advised that this is not true, and farm land is not abused as it is needed year after year to grow crops and advised that the booklet provided was issued to help people understand the modern technology of farming.

Dr. Dan Holt Re: Proposed Bio-En Facility

Dr. Dan Holt addressed Council and noted he is a concerned resident of Elmira and is speaking as a representative of almost 600 residents who have signed a petition regarding the proposed Bio-En facility. Mr. Holt advised that while he believes these types of facilities are good, he believes that the Township should not allow the Bio-En facility to be located in the proposed location in Elmira. Mr. Holt highlighted comments from the staff report E25-2009 which was brought to Council on March 31, 2009 including information about zoning, storm water management and fire reservoir concerns, heat, odour and water usage. Mr. Holt advised that as further information has come available regarding this application staff have determined that a re-zoning of the area would be required. Mr. Holt raised concerns with truck traffic, noise and emissions as a result of the location of the proposed facility.

Mr. Holt concluded that the residents he represents stand opposed to this application due to concerns with odour, noise, violation of the Zoning By-law, inadequate water supply and on site storage, traffic impact, air quality, reduction in quality of life, potential affect on property values and the for potential methane gas explosions. He advised that the residents propose that the Council takes action and ensured that a traffic impact study is completed prior to further consideration as well as a letter from the elected body that delineates the staff and resident's concerns to the Province.

Councillor Bauman raised concerns with two facts provided in the presentation and advised that the numbers included regarding truck traffic and the comparisons made when referring to the potential for methane gas explosions need to be looked into to ensure validity in the facts and discouraged fear mongering.

Mayor Cowan advised that he wishes to applaud the group for the work that they have done thus far. He noted that the issues with traffic downtown and other issues have come forward through this process and are being looked at. Mayor Cowan noted that he believes the municipality can intervene in the process and has spoken with the Provincial Government regarding the issue and the Township is working feverishly on the issue. Mayor Cowan also discouraged fear mongering and assured Dr. Holt that the Council is working on the issue as they believe it is their responsibility to the Township residents to ensure a safe environment. He noted he is hoping to have some more information on this issue in the next month.

Dr. Holt thanked Council for the efforts put forth thus far toward this issue and reiterated that the residents are not opposed to the industry, however they are opposed to the proposed location of this particular facility and encouraged continuing efforts.

In response to an inquiry from Councillor Bauman, Dan Kennaley, Director of Engineering and Planning Services advised that there have been subsequent communications that have overtaken the suggestion that MOE staff should speak to Council. Mayor Cowan indicated that there are some deliberations occurring that may prove to be beneficial, but advised he is unable to elaborate at this point. Mayor Cowan also noted that in speaking with the MOE, they would still come and speak to Council however they will only discuss the process of the application which he believes Council is aware of, and will not allow the public to speak however he believes in the near future the Township should have the Ministry address Council. Councillor Bauman added that he believes if the Green Energy Act hadn't come into play, there would have been a public meeting and believes the residents should have an opportunity to voice their concerns to the governing agency making the decision.

Further to a request made by CAO David Brenneman, Mr. Kennaley advised that copies of both staff reports have previously been sent to the MOE however they have been returned as the Ministry works with the applicant until the application has been deemed complete; it is only at that point that comments and communication from the Township are accepted. It was agreed that direction from Council on scheduling a time for MOE staff to come to Council be delayed until current discussions are completed.

Erica Springate and Blair Allen, Region of Waterloo Transportation Group
Re: Grand River Transit Elmira/St. Jacobs Route

Erica Springate of the Region of Waterloo addressed Council, and presented a presentation outlining the Grand River Transit (GRT) pilot service to Elmira. Ms. Springate explained the process of bringing the service to Woolwich, and provided Council with numbers of riders, showing an increase over the pilot project. Ms. Springate then outlined changes made to the route and schedule over the course of the pilot project.

Ms. Springate advised that the next steps for this project are to make this route a permanent route for GRT, and outlined the costs involved.

In response to an inquiry from Councillor Poffenroth, Ms. Springate reported that they are looking for \$457,000 from the Township per year, and the Township is not currently paying anything into the service right now. Treasurer Richard Petherick advised that based on the Township budget this would require a 6.7% increase in one year.

Calvin Barrett, Director of Financial Services for the Region of Waterloo addressed Council and advised that the tax increase would be an increase on the Regional levy to the Township and that currently the cost of running this route is charged to the three cities.

Mayor Cowan asked for clarification on who the levy would be charged to. Mr. Barrett noted this would be charged to all residents of Woolwich Township. Mayor Cowan noted concerns that the residents in areas that the route would not benefit may not wish

to pay for this service, and also noted in the LRT is passed at Regional Council there will be a tax levy increase for that as well.

Councillor Bauman noted that then the budget is reviewed, Woolwich Township's portion of taxes is 22%, the School Board's is 22% and the Region of Waterloo's is 56%, therefore a 6.7% increase would result in a \$35 increase for a typical home assessed at \$225,000. Richard Petherick confirmed that this rate would be charged for each property, not household.

Graham Vincent, Director of Transportation at the Region of Waterloo addressed a concern raised by Councillor Bryant on the impact of the Township Council's opinion on the Regional Council's decision, and assured Council that all comments will be taken back to Regional Council and will weight heavily on how Council decides. Councillor Bryant noted she doesn't believe that rural communities will value from this service.

CAO David Brenneman summarized key points including that the increase number easiest to understand is the \$35 per property, which is based on an area rating of the entire Township. Mr Brenneman noted that should Council wish to area rate within the Township to the settlements receiving the service, the cost per property could rise.

Councillor Bauman asked staff to calculate the number per property if Ward 3 is not included for the next meeting. He also noted that the number should not double if the tax increase is area rated to Elmira/St. Jacobs due to population numbers.

Mayor Cowan asked that the percentage number also be included in the calculation. Richard Petherick advised that he will have the numbers when the budget is discussed next week.

Report A03-2011: Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Directional Signage (St. Jacobs Country)

Laurel Davies-Snyder, Economic Development and Tourism Officer addressed Council and made a brief presentation on improving the MTO signage to St. Jacobs. Ms. Davies-Snyder advised that there is currently not adequate signage which has resulted in tourists and visitors ending up in different towns. Ms. Davies-Snyder advised that tourism is an important part of the Woolwich economy and St. Jacobs is a key destination in the Region, Township and the Province. Ms. Davies-Snyder advised that she feels effective direction at key decision points is key to providing a positive visit to St. Jacobs.

Jenny Shantz of St. Jacobs Country addressed Council and advised that they have been working toward this signage change for 15 years with various ministries. Ms. Shantz advised that the goal through this signage change is for the visitors to St. Jacobs to have a good experience, which begins with getting to the destination.

In response to a question raised by Councillor Poffenroth, Ms. Shantz advised that she is unsure of the policy for signage, but assumed that St. Jacobs Country would likely be responsible for the costs involved. Ms. Shantz confirmed that an endorsement for this project does not mean that Council would pay for the costs involved.

Councillor Bauman advised that he agrees that there are problems with signage to St. Jacobs and supports the endorsement as written. Councillor Bauman then made other suggestions for signage including adding the words 'through Waterloo' to the current sign that instructs drivers to follow Highway 85 North to ST. Jacobs, as well as adding more 'St. Jacobs' icon signs to significant spots, including the Franklin Street bridge.

Mayor Cowan advised that he fully supports this bid and has spoken with authorities regarding the signage and has not received a definite answer, but will follow up.

MOVED BY Mayor Cowan

SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich endorses St. Jacobs Country's request to the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to add "St. Jacobs" on the overhead MTO vehicular directional signs on Highway 8 (approaching the Highway 7 and Highway 85 interchange) and the ramp from Highway 8 to Highway 7 and Highway 85 North which will result in clearer directions and improved vehicular safety.

...CARRIED

Report C04-2011-Grants and Special Assistance 2011

Val Hummel, Deputy Clerk introduced and summarized the report stating that the total amount of grant funding recommended by staff for distribution in 2011 is \$25,686.

Mayor Cowan asked if the Elmira Maple Syrup Festival submitted a request this year. Val Hummel reported that the Festival organizers did not submit a request after being denied their request in 2010.

In response to a question from Councillor Poffenroth, Katherine Wilkinson of the Waterloo Regional Police Safety Patroller Program provided details such as there are 1,800 safety patrollers trained throughout the Region with 114 being from Woolwich Township. Councillor Bauman noted this is a cost of approximately \$11 per student.

Mayor Cowan asked what the Breslau Bloomingdale Maryhill Band uses their grant for and was informed by Keith Hampton that the funds are used to purchase instruments, repairs and music.

Mayor Cowan stated that he feels Community Care Concepts should get their full request of \$5,000 whereas staff is only recommending a grant of \$4,000. Mayor Cowan noted the group does a lot for this community.

Woolwich Community Services – New Grant Request for the Youth Centre:

Don Harloff of Woolwich Community Services (WCS) addressed Council to request a grant for the Youth Centre that operates out of Woolwich Memorial Centre (WMC). The program has been around since 2001 and WCS would like to expand the program by opening on Saturdays, and also needs the grant to reach a break even point with the overall program. He asked the Township to become a partner to ensure the Youth Centre stays open.

Mayor Cowan stated he feels a program like the Youth Centre contributes to crime prevention. He asked what the group pays to rent space at the WMC. Mr. Harloff stated they pay \$7,000 for the year. Mayor Cowan reiterated the program provides a great opportunity for crime prevention and should be embraced.

Councillor Poffenroth stated he would like to see where the money is spent regarding the Youth Centre.

Councillor Bauman noted that approving the request of the Woolwich Community Centre for Youth Centre funding would double the grant budget, and he is not sure they want to deal with a large grant request until the budget discussion has been made. Council needs to look at an overall program on how to get the Youth Centre on a sustainable path. He stated he is not prepared to endorse the request because he believes the Township could work with WCS on a more in-depth plan.

Mayor Cowan asked that this item be deferred to budget discussions on March 3.

MOVED BY Councillor Bryant

SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman

THAT Council defer further discussion about the request of Woolwich Community Services for a grant of \$25,618 for the Youth Centre until the budget discussion on March 3, 2011.

...CARRIED

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Councillor Bryant

THAT Council hear the unregistered delegation of Liz Lima.

...CARRIED

Maryhill Playgroup New Grant Request:

Liz Lima stated that the Maryhill Play Group is a volunteer-based group which started in 2008 and serves community children from birth to school age. Twenty-thirty children regularly attend and they have up to 60 children at special events. The playgroup provides education, socialization, networking and a sense of community and all members of the group participate and help with fundraising. They hold a Funworx day at Bingemans and a Car Show in June is sponsored by the Maryhill Knights of Columbus.

Ms. Lima stated the playgroup is important to their community and there is a need in the community. She asked Council to approve a grant of \$1,037 for the Maryhill Playgroup in 2011.

In response to a question from Councillor Bauman, Ms. Lima advised that the program has no registration fee because they feel it would reduce participation. The Playgroup operates from September through June and meets only once in the summer (approximately 40 times/year).

MOVED BY Mayor Cowan

SECONDED BY Councillor Poffenroth

THAT Council defer further discussion about the request of Maryhill Playgroup for a grant of \$1,037 until the budget discussion on March 3, 2011.

...CARRIED

Representatives of the District 26 Senior Games spoke to Council and noted that Woolwich Township will host the 2012 Games. It was confirmed that the Townships of Wilmot and Centre Wellington are contributing \$750 to the 2011 event.

Mayor Cowan expressed concern about the current process for grant approvals because the same amounts are given to groups each year. He said there is a high demand on social programming and Council needs to recognize that there is a need in the community. He said the Township should not be short changing some of these key volunteers. He questioned why there would be dollar figures attached to the grant requests in the report. He stated he did not support the staff recommendation as written.

Christine Broughton, Director of Council and Information Services, noted that the staff recommendation is a starting point. The recommendation is asking Council to give "approval in principal" and this does not stop Council from changing the numbers when going through the budget discussion. She invited Council to change the process for grant criteria if it does not like the current process.

Councillor Bauman noted that the policy for grants was developed to co-ordinate grant requests and stop them from coming in at all times of the year. This allows grants to be approved at once and helps with budgeting. He commented that the numbers attached to the grant requests in the report are appropriate and that if there were no numbers then Council might question why not. He said the important time to make a final decision on grant amounts is during the upcoming budget discussion.

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Councillor Bryant

THAT Council approve-in-principle the following community grant requests totalling \$25,686 for 2011 subject to final Operating Budget deliberations:

- Woolwich Community Services - General	\$9,939
- Community Care Concepts of Woolwich	4,000
- Woolwich Counselling Centre	5,000
- School Safety Patrol	1,637
- Breslau, Bloomingdale Maryhill Band	760
- Historical Society of St. Boniface and Maryhill Community	700
- District 26 Senior Games	750
- Elmira & District Association for Community Living	500
- Special Assistance/Special Event Grants	1,500
- Travel Assistance Grants	900
	...CARRIED

Council reconvened after a 10 minute break.

STAFF REPORTS

A02-2011: Strategic Plan Process

David Brenneman, CAO, presented the report and outlined the proposed strategic plan process and noted its importance and purpose. Mayor Cowan questioned the impact of the Strategic Plan in driving the Council and the Township in the past. Mr. Brenneman advised the plan serves many municipalities well, as it starts with a vision and a focus and from there an action plan is developed. He noted that the budget is based also on what the Strategic Plan says the Township wishes to accomplish.

Councillor Bauman noted he has found the Strategic Plan to be a useful document as staff and Council work together and agree on the document and Council can refer back to the Strategic Plan to ensure their decisions are on track.

MOVED BY Mayor Cowan

SECONDED BY Councillor Bryant

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich approves and adopts the Strategic Plan development process outlined in Report A02-2011.

...CARRIED

A04-2011: Code of Conduct – Council/Staff Roles & Relationship

CAO David Brenneman introduced the report and advised that during Council orientation there was discussion about the roles of Council and staff, and their relationship from a legislative perspective. Historically a Code of Conduct had not been in place. Mr. Brenneman noted that it is proactive to put these principles into place and emphasized that this is a draft document being put forth for discussion and staff is seeking Council's input and feedback on what the principles and wording ultimately should be. Mr. Brenneman also noted that the draft document fits with the current Strategic Plan under the category of Human Resources, specifically the Council and Staff relationship.

Councillor Bryant advised that she believes this is a good document to have as it spells out boundaries and guidelines. She said it is well done.

Councillor Bauman highlighted areas of the document including the possibility of changing the term 'staff', as he felt it could be viewed as a demeaning term. Staff indicated they have no issue with the term. Councillor Bauman pointed out that the CAO needs to be included in Principle 7. Councillor Bauman then asked for clarification on at what point a disagreement turns into disrespect. David Brenneman advised that it could be as simple as the tone used, but could also be a combination of tone and wording.

Mayor Cowan added that he feels the Code of Conduct is an important document as it is important for public committees and staff to have a framework.

Councillor Bauman asked if there is a Code of Conduct for delegations so that the Chair can have guidelines to know when a delegation is out of line. Ms. Broughton advised that this is covered under the section regarding delegations in the Procedural By-law.

In response to a question raised by Councillor Herteis, Ms. Broughton advised that delegations often register by phone or email and staff will lay out general information at the time of registration, however they do not tell delegations how to speak. It is the Chairperson's responsibility to keep the delegation on track.

Mr. Brenneman noted if there are any further changes to this document, they can be added at the Council meeting on March 8.

MOVED BY Councillor Poffenroth

SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich adopts the Code of Conduct attached as Appendix "A" to Report A04-2011 with Principle 7 amended to include the CAO.

...CARRIED

E19-2011: Temporary Road Closure – Maple Syrup Festival

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Mayor Cowan

THAT Council of the Township of Woolwich approves the closure of the following streets to vehicular traffic on Saturday, April 2nd, 2011 from 1:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.;

1. Hampton Street (South Street West to Snyder Avenue);
2. Wyatt Street (Hampton Street to Memorial Avenue);
3. James Street (Snyder Avenue to Hampton Street);
4. Park Avenue (Snyder Avenue to Memorial Avenue);
5. South Street East (Arthur Street South to Memorial Avenue);
6. South Street West (West of Snyder Avenue);
7. Walker Street (Church Street West to Hampton Street);
8. Dunke Street (Church Street West to Hampton Street);
9. Mill Street (Arthur Street South to Memorial Avenue);

AND FURTHER THAT the Mill Street Municipal Parking Lot be closed on Friday, April 1st, 2011 from 11:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 2nd, 2011;

AND FURTHER THAT the southwest portion of the Wyatt Street Municipal Lot be closed and no parking be permitted along the buggy shed from 5:00 p.m. on Thursday March 31st, 2011 until 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 2nd, 2011.

AND FURTHER THAT the Woolwich Memorial Centre parking lot and the parking lot east of Lion's Hall be closed from 11:00 p.m. on Friday, April 1st, 2011 until 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 2nd, 2011.

AND FURTHER THAT Council adopts the By-law attached as Appendix B to Report E19-2011.

...CARRIED

F03-2011: 2011 Draft Water and Wastewater Budget

Richard Petherick, Director of Finance/Treasurer, presented the report and advised that Water and Wastewater divisions are the responsibility of the Township. Mr. Petherick outlined that the notice of intent to discuss was given at Council on both February 7 and 11. Mr. Petherick then reviewed the recommendation.

Councillor Bryant raised concerns that staff are proposing an increase of 6.75% for the whole of the Township, and questioned how it is justified for settlements that have independent wells as their water is not coming from the Region of Waterloo. Mr. Petherick advised that the bulk of the charges are from the Region, and that smaller systems are heavily regulated through the Province and there is a lot of testing that needs to go on. Mr. Petherick advised that, if Council wishes, a rate study could be

looked at to separate each of the nine water systems, however this would likely result in higher costs for the smaller water systems.

Councillor Poffenroth pointed out that meter reading is apportioned to both water and wastewater and raised a concern that if full time staff are completing meter reading then the Township is likely paying a lot of money toward meter readers. Mr. Petherick advised that this amount is included in the budget and that when the water and wastewater budgets are added together, equipment and staff costs are split down the middle. Councillor Poffenroth questioned if hiring an outside company for meter reading would save the Township money. Mr. Petherick advised that staff has done some preliminary research to streamline the meter reading process as it is currently a time consuming process.

Councillor Bauman advised that he feels there is a benefit to having staff complete the meter readings as they are able to identify possible issues and deal with them before they escalate to take more staff time to resolve.

Mayor Cowan noted that he understands that since the Walkerton water tragedy, the Province has come down hard on all municipalities regarding water regulations. Mayor Cowan then asked for clarification on what the external contracts listed on Page 55 are for. Mr. Petherick advised that the biggest cost for external contracts is the biological sampling of water which is a legislative requirement to do. Mr. Petherick confirmed that if an issue is found, more sampling is done which results in a higher expenditure.

Mayor Cowan highlighted that on page 62 it is noted that the Township underspent in the area of labour service inspections. He asked for clarification on what those inspections are for. Dan Kennaley, Director of Engineering and Planning Services, advised that the number is referring to water service inspections which might involve a situation that where someone's bill has increased substantially, then an inspection of the service might be necessary to determine if there is a leak occurring. Mr. Kennaley advised that in 2010 staff budgeted in excess of \$7000, and has made the appropriate adjustment for 2011.

In response to inquiries made by Mayor Cowan, Mr. Kennaley noted that staffing costs for water meters have gone down as there were not as many meters installed in 2010, and that all water meters are sold on a cost recovery basis. Mr. Kennaley also confirmed that Township staff complete the removal of snow from fire hydrants.

Mayor Cowan questioned why there is a 40% increase in meter reading, Mr. Petherick advised that there are currently more meters because there are new subdivisions.

Mr. Kennaley advised that the 'Other Costs' noted on Page 75 include the Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) which is a legislated and mandated audit which is currently underway.

In response to an inquiry from Mayor Cowan, Mr. Petherick advised that the debenture payment results from a loan that was taken out to cover work done for research to provide water services to Elroy Acres in Breslau.

Councillor Bryant asked if the Township has the ability to negotiate its rate with the Region. Mr. Petherick advised that the rate is set by the Region for all municipalities within the Region.

Councillor Poffenroth asked if the Township is able to put water bills that are delinquent on the taxes of the properties. Mr. Petherick advised that the Township is able to do this through the Municipal Act however, the Township has a good collection policy in place does not usually get to that point. Mr. Petherick then clarified that each new customer pays a deposit to the Township when opening a water account.

Mayor Cowan referred to reports that the groundwater under Elmira will be clean enough to drink in 2028. He asked if this will impact costs at all. Mr. Petherick advised there will be no impact to costs if the Township remains under the same system.

Councillor Bauman acknowledged that there is a conservation aspect to controlling water costs, and that residents do have some control if they find ways to save water.

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Mayor Cowan

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich approves the Draft 2011 Water and Wastewater Budgets attached to Report F03-2011 as Appendix "A" and Appendix "B".

AND FURTHER THAT Council adopts the Draft amended Water and Wastewater Fees and Charges By-law attached to Report F03-2011 as Appendix "C" and Appendix "D".

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to bring the 2011 Water and Wastewater Budgets forward for final Council approval on March 29, 2011.

...CARRIED

PUBLIC MEETING – 7:00 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

Memo: Working Centre Mayor's Dinner

Christine Broughton, Director of Council and Information Services summarized the memo and asked Council to indicate if they wish to attend. Mayor Cowan noted that he believes it is important to support events for other Councils and Mayors in the Region especially if Woolwich has its own events in the future and wants support. Councillor Bauman said he won't support the purchase of tickets for this event. He said he feels Council should review its overall budget before purchasing tickets for fundraising events outside of the Township.

MOVED Mayor Cowan

SECONDED Councillor Bryant

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich directs staff to purchase a table for 8 at the Working Centre Mayor's Dinner at a cost of \$640.00.

...CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Bauman advised that Sunday May 1st is the second annual Try-A-Tri in Elmira and he looks forward to seeing staff participation in the event.

Mayor Cowan noted that the annual tapping of the tree that begins the maple syrup season will occur on Friday, February 25th.

OUTSTANDING ACTIVITY LIST, as of February 18, 2011

Mayor Cowan referred to the rumble strip report. Mr. Kennaley noted that this report did not come forward, and the projected date of completion is March 22nd.

GREEN AND PINK ITEMS, as of February 18, 2011

#4: Simon Schotsman Re: Letter to Municipalities Elected Officials expressing opposition to Provincial Government's Demand for the Development of Wind and Solar Power

Councillor Bauman suggested speaking with Waterloo North Hydro staff at the general meeting in this regard.

MOVED Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Mayor Cowan

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich directs staff to bring forward information about correspondence from Simon Schotsman dated February 8, 2011 to Waterloo North Hydro at its upcoming general meeting regarding Provincial interest in the development of wind and solar power.

...CARRIED

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Intent to Discuss the Budget

Mayor Cowan read the following notice:

The Council of the Township of Woolwich gives public notice of its intent to discuss the 2011 Draft Operation and Capital Budgets at a special Council Budget meeting on March 3, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers situated at 24 Church Street West in Elmira.

The Council of the Township of Woolwich also gives public notice of its intent to discuss the 2011 Fees and Charges for General, Planning and Fire at a special Council Budget meeting on March 3, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers situated at 24 Church Street West in Elmira.

NOTICE REGARDING CLOSED MEETINGS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Submitted by,

Julie-Ann Herteis,
Chair.