

**TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH
COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**

Woolwich Township Council met in Closed Session at 6:00 p.m. in the Councillor's Office, and in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, on the above date with the following members present:

Mayor Cowan
Councillor Bauman
Councillor Bryant
Councillor Herteis
Councillor Poffenroth

Mayor Cowan opened the meeting and noted that the International Plowing Match will be held next year in Rosedale in North Dumfries, and event organizers are actively seeking volunteers for the event.

DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

RESOLUTIONS TO COME FORWARD FROM CLOSED SESSION

None.

MINUTES

MOVED BY Councillor Poffenroth
SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman
THAT the following minutes be adopted:

- Council Minutes August 9, 2011
- Committee of the Whole Minutes August 30, 2011

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PROCLAMATIONS

.None.

CORRESPONDENCE

Colin and Graham Carslake:
Impact on Retail Plaza from closure of Dolman Street, Breslau

Council reviewed correspondence received from Colin and Graham Carslake regarding the impact on the retail plaza from road closures related to road work in Breslau. Dan Kennaley, Director of Engineering and Planning Services advised Council that Woolwich Street was re-opened today, and advised that the Township of Woolwich has previously not provided compensation on property taxes due to road construction to land and business owners. Mr. Kennaley advised that signs were placed indicating that the businesses were open, and detour signs were placed to allow access to the businesses. Christine Broughton, Director of Council

and Information Services / Clerk advised that correspondence will be sent to Colin and Graham Carslake informing them of the information provided by Mr. Kennaley.

PRESENTATIONS

Henry Hildebrand, Owner/Operator of St. Jacobs Place:
Presentation to Woolwich Township Fire Department (St. Jacobs Station)

Mr. Hildebrand addressed Council and advised that the event "Summerfest" was held on July 20, 2011 in St. Jacobs and consisted of over 500 attendees who enjoyed vendors, entertainers and food. Mr. Hildebrand presented a cheque of \$2030.00 of all proceeds from the event to the Township of Woolwich Fire Department.

DELEGATIONS

Eric Hodgins, Region of Waterloo
Source Water Protection Information Presentation

Eric Hodgins of the Region of Waterloo addressed Council and made a detailed presentation providing an update of the Source Water Protection Plan in Waterloo Region which also provided a timeline on the development of the plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

INTRODUCTION OF BY-LAWS

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman
SECONDED BY Councillor Poffenroth
THAT the following by-laws be introduced and read a first time:

- A by-law to lift reserves for Empire Communities, Breslau (Reserve Blocks 53 and 54, Plan 58M-501 and Blocks 23, 24 and 25, Plan 58M-514)
- A by-law to provide for the appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, Animal Control Officers and Property Standards Officers for the Township of Woolwich (Lorna VanderPloeg and Tanya Greig)
- A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council (August 9, 2011)

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED BY Councillor Poffenroth
SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman
THAT Council convenes into the Committee of the Whole.

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Recommendations from Committee of the Whole

Councillor Bryant asked that item #1 be pulled for separate discussion.

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Councillor Poffenroth

THAT items 2 through 9 of the Summary of Recommendations of the Committee of the Whole dated August 30, 2011 be adopted as follows:

2. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich approves the unbudgeted expenditure of \$3624.78 net HST rebate for the work of installing a radio and paging system to remotely activate the Elmira Town siren;

AND FURTHER THAT the work be funded from the Infrastructure Reserve Fund.

3. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich approves a request for an exemption to Noise By-law #19-2002 (Section 3) by the Serbian Festival Committee of Kitchener-Waterloo for Sunday, September 4, 2011 12:00 Noon to 2:00 am each day subject to the following conditions:

- 1) That prior to the event the organizers meet all conditions imposed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission and the Township's Engineering, Building and Fire Departments;
- 2) That all outdoor speakers face downwards and away from area homes;
- 3) That the amplified noise is reduced at 11 pm to allow a spoken conversation at the front of the property by the road, and all amplified noise is terminated at 2:00 am

4. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich directs staff not to proceed with an inflow and infiltration related sump pump program within the study area described by this report E55-2011.

5. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich awards the tender submitted by Strongco Corporation for the purchase of one 2011 Case 621E Three Cubic Yard Rubber Tired Loader. The total net cost of this purchase after H.S.T. rebate would be \$111,930.91

AND FURTHER THAT Council accepts the quotations for additional options, which would include a Hydraulic Quick Coupler, a 12 foot reversible snow plow, heated exterior mirrors, full rear fenders and extended warranty. The additional cost for these options after H.S.T. rebate would be \$22,052.41

6. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich awards the tender for a new single axle snow plow/sander complete to Larochele Equipment Incorporated based on Larochele's bid of \$192,429.18 after H.S.T. rebate.
7. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich awards tender 2011-18 for the 2011 Hot Mix Resurfacing Program to The Murray Group Limited at a total cost of \$504,855.40 after H.S.T. rebate;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the contract documents.

8. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich approves the following preliminary guidelines as set out in report F14-2011 to assist in the preparation of the 2012 budget:
- That at a minimum, existing service levels as provided for in the 2011 budget, be maintained in 2012, and further, that Council provide direction to staff with respect to the review of any municipal service level that Council would potentially like to see increased or decreased;
 - That up to 1% of assessment growth be applied to fund the necessary repayment of long-term borrowings for the Township's hard infrastructure needs with the remaining assessment growth being applied to other operation and capital budgets to fund non-discretionary and growth-related costs;
 - That the 2012 budget be prepared with a 2.5% base change target for the annual operating and capital budget;
 - That Council approve an annual special infrastructure levy for the budget period of 2012 to 2016 (subject to annual review) for the Township's infrastructure;
 - That Council provide direction to staff to report back through the 2012 budget, with regard to strategies to contend with the other budget pressures identified in report F14-2011;
 - That Council endorse the budget timetable attached as Appendix A; and
 - That Council endorse the public notice provisions for 2012, as outlined in report F14-2011.
 - That Council supports incorporating a pre-budget public consultation.
9. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich engage Watson & Associates Ltd. To complete the 2009 Development Charges Background Study as per their proposal dated July 25, 2011 for a total upset cost of \$12,500 plus HST;

AND FURTHER THAT Council exempts this engagement from the Township's purchasing By-law 95-04.

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Item 1 : Grand River Transit Route 21 Recommendations

Councillor Bryant spoke in opposition of the recommendation and noted that she doesn't believe the service is cost effective or environmentally friendly due to low ridership numbers. Councillor Bryant also noted that the residents of Ward 3 do not wish to pay for the service, as it only benefits residents of Elmira and St. Jacobs. Councillor Poffenroth also spoke in opposition of the recommendation, due to the costs involved to the Township.

Councillor Bauman spoke in support of the recommendation and noted that there are residents to rely on the service and believes the service to be an important part of being inclusive.

Mayor Cowan advised that discussions will continue for improvements and noted that ridership numbers of the service are on target for a new service.

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman
SECONDED BY Councillor Herteis

THAT item 1 of the Summary of Recommendations of the Committee of the Whole dated August 30, 2011 be adopted as follows:

1. THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich supports the following recommendations:
 - 1) Grand River Transit (GRT) Bus Route 21 be established as a permanent GRT Bus Route in Woolwich Township;
 - 2) GRT Bus Route 21 be funded on a municipal-wide basis;
 - 3) GRT staff be requested to consult with the Township and the Woolwich community in 2011 and early 2012 concerning possible route improvements to ensure that GRT Bus Route 21 is meeting the needs of the community; and, in 2012, report back and discuss next steps with Township staff;
 - 4) The Township of Woolwich continue to be involved and consulted in the development of the Regional Transit Strategy for the Townships;
 - 5) New GRT Bus Routes in Woolwich be developed in consultation with the Township, and include provisions for multi-modal transportation including: horse & buggy, bicycles, and pedestrians (infrastructure, timing, etc.);

AND THAT Council directs Staff to forward the recommendations of Report A08-2011 to the Regional Municipal Council before September 9, 2011.

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Staff Reports

C39-2011: Noise By-law Exemption Request for Taste Local! Taste Fresh!

Councillor Bauman asked that the Noise By-law be reviewed, particularly for the possibility of removing the need for exemptions during daytime hours.

MOVED BY Councillor Poffenroth

SECONDED BY Councillor Bauman

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich approves a request for an exemption to Noise By-law #19-2002 (Section 3) to allow amplified noise for Foodlink Waterloo Region's Fundraising Event, Taste Local! Taste Fresh! to be held at Riverside Meadows Park, in St. Jacobs, Ontario on Sunday, September 18, 2011, starting at 2 p.m. and ending at 5 p.m. subject to the following conditions:

1. That the organizer meets all conditions imposed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission and the Township's Building and Fire Departments; and
2. That all outdoor speakers face downwards.

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Other Business

Regional Matters

Mayor Cowan noted that pre-budget deliberations are underway at Regional Council.

Council Reports / Updates

None.

Resolutions Regarding Closed Meetings

None.

Outstanding Council Activity List as of September 2, 2011

None.

Items from Green Pink Sheets as of September 2, 2011

None.

Second Reading of the By-laws

MOVED BY Councillor Bauman

SECONDED BY Councillor Poffenroth

THAT the by-laws in the hands of the Clerk be read a second time.

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ADOPTION OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED BY Councillor Bryant

SECONDED BY Councillor Herteis

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report to Council.

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MOVED BY Councillor Herteis

SECONDED BY Councillor Bryant

THAT Council confirms and adopts the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole.

... CARRIED

FINAL PASSAGE OF BY-LAWS

MOVED BY Councillor Bryant

SECONDED BY Councillor Herteis

THAT the following by-laws in the hands of the Clerk be read a third time and finally passed, that they be numbered as By-law Numbers 56-2011 to 58-2011, and that they be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the corporate seal.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

None.

NOTICE OF MOTION

None.

ADJOURNMENT


MOVED BY Councillor Herteis
SECONDED BY Councillor Bryant
THAT the meeting adjourns to meet again in regular session on Tuesday September 27th, 2011.
... CARRIED



Mayor



Clerk



Chairman, Committee of the Whole

