

TOWNSHIP OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOCH AND RAGLAN

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan held on November 12, 2014 at the Municipal Office located in Palmer Rapids - Ontario at 7:00 p.m.

Present Were: Reeve, **Norman Lentz**
Councillor, **Heather Phanehour**
Councillor, **Garry Gruntz**
Councillor, **Trevor Lidtkie**
Councillor, **Steven Jessup**
Councillor, **Heather Phanehour**

Also Present: Clerk-Treasurer, **Michelle Mantifel**
Public Works Supervisor, **Alvin Kauffeldt**

Public: 14 Members of the Public
Jen Juhasz, The Valley Gazette

1. The meeting was called to order by the Reeve, **Norman Lentz**.
2. **PECUNIARY INTERESTS** - None
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution # 1

Moved by **Heather Phanehour**, sec. by **Steven Jessup**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting October 1, 2014, as printed and circulated.”

Carried.

Resolution # 2

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Steven Jessup**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopt the minutes of the Closed Meeting January 8, 2014, April 2, 2014, May 15, 2014, June 4, 2014, July 2, 2014, July 31, 2014, August 6, 2014, August 27, 2014, September 10, 2014 and October 1, 2014 as printed and circulated.”

Carried.

4. **DEPUTATIONS**

- i. The children who participated in the Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan Safety Calendar were presented with calendars and gifts.

5. **REPORTS**

- i. Public Works Supervisor

Council accepted the written Roads report as presented.

The Public Works Supervisor reported that the tires on the loader at the Brudenell Waste Site need to be changed. The tires from the Quadeville grader will be used and new ones purchased for the grader.

The Township of Carlow/Mayo is willing to continue to maintain the Craigmont Road in winter for the same cost as 201-2014. The arrangement will continue for the 2014-2015 season.

ii. Clerks

Council signed the engagement letter as required by the auditor.

The Clerk informed Council that Matt Cruchet resigned as the Emergency Information Officer for the Community Control Group. A new information officer will need to be appointed for the CCG.

The insurance policy for the municipality will renew on January 1, 2015. Our insurance company has informed the municipality that they are excluding pollution coverage on older tanks unless double walled or a secondary containment system has been installed. The fuel tanks for the municipality are all single walled. No action was taken.

The Clerk reported that the Expression of Interest for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Application-Based Component (Letterkenny Road Project) was not selected for the application phase. However, the Expression of Interest for the Building Canada Fund – Small Communities Fund (Waste Management Project) was selected for the application phase. The application is due by December 19, 2014.

Resolution # 3

Moved by **Steven Jessup**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby agree that the December Council meeting will be held at the Palmer Rapids Community Centre on December 4th at 8:00 pm.”

Carried.

The outgoing Council members will be recognized for their years of service to the municipality. The newly-elected members of Council will take the oath of office.

iii. Reeve & Council

Councillor **Gruntz** informed Council that a representative from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario will be at the January 27, 2015 CPAC Meeting.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. Legal Matters – Fall 2014 - **filed**
- ii. John Yakabuski, MPP –re: Logging in Algonquin Park - **filed**
- iii. Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs –re: OCIF-Formula - **filed**
- iv. MacKillican & Associates –re: Liability for Contaminated Sites - **filed**
- v. County of Renfrew –re: Power Dam Special Payment Program - **filed**
- vi. Community Resource Centre –re: Annual Food and Toy Drive Donation

Resolution # 4

Moved by **Heather Phanenhour**, sec. by **Steven Jessup**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby agree to donate \$ 100.00 to the Community Resource Centre for the annual Food and Toy Drive.”

Carried.

- vii. County of Renfrew –re: Resolution for Support – Logging in Algonquin Park
Resolution # 5

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby support the following resolution from the County of Renfrew;

WHEREAS seven communities in Renfrew County have substantial employment related to the forest industry and wood processing facilities that receive a significant portion of wood volume from Algonquin Park. Many of these businesses are multi-generational, with the longest running in its 7th generation, and are heavily invested in the sustainability of forestry in Algonquin Park;

AND WHEREAS over 2,700 jobs are directly associated with wood harvested from Algonquin Park and an additional 8,000 jobs are indirectly associated with the support of these activities;

AND WHEREAS approximately 40% of wood volume harvested from Algonquin Park is delivered to Renfrew County wood processing facilities;

AND WHEREAS logging has occurred in Algonquin Park for over 180 years, in harmony with the protection of other forest values and continues to be a thriving ecosystem that almost one million people visit annually to enjoy;

AND WHEREAS sustainable forest management on Crown land goes hand-in-hand with maintaining ecological integrity, is science-based, heavily scrutinized and monitored for compliance to rules and regulations by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, an independent Forest Auditor, and in the case of Algonquin Park, a third-party certification system;

AND WHEREAS forestry in Algonquin Park ensures that ecosystem processes limited through human intervention (e.g. fire suppression) are emulated, so that forest types and wildlife habitat can occur at natural levels;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the County of Renfrew request that the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry not consider the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario’s recommendation to commit to the end of commercial logging in Algonquin Park;

AND FURTHER THAT the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry also be requested to permanently protect sustainable forest management in Algonquin Park;

AND FURTHER THAT the Warden, on behalf of the County of Renfrew, have a meeting with the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario to discuss his recommendation;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier on Ontario, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry; Gord Miller, Environmental Commissioner of Ontario; all local municipalities in the County of Renfrew; other municipalities reliant on forest management in Algonquin Park; John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; and all forest industries in the County of Renfrew.”

Carried.

- viii. Township of McKellar –re: Resolution for Support – OPP billing model
Resolution # 6

Moved by **Steven Jessup**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby support the following resolution from the Township of McKellar;

WHEREAS the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Mr. Yasir Naqvi announced a new OPP billing model to take effect on January 1, 2015 based on calls for service and base costs;

AND WHEREAS the effect of the new billing model is to shift policing costs from urban centres to small rural communities;

AND WHEREAS the shift in costs is more pronounced in communities with a large number of seasonal households;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government's definition of households does not include seasonal dwellings as households and therefore may affect the new formula;

AND WHEREAS the new funding formula will force small rural communities to consider alternative policing arrangements, cuts to existing programs and services, depletion of capital reserves or major increases in taxes;

AND WHEREAS there will be no increase in OPP levels of service;

AND WHEREAS the new funding formula will mean an increase for the Township of McKellar in OPP costs from \$ 121,393 in 2014 to \$ 388,834 in 2015 or an increase of 320 percent not accounting for the five year phase in adjustment;

AND WHEREAS there is nothing in the new funding formula which controls future OPP cost increases;

AND WHEREAS the new OPP funding formula will negatively affect over 130 small rural municipalities;

AND WHEREAS unorganized municipalities have not been considered in this new formula;

AND WHEREAS small rural communities do not have the economic ability to generate new tax revenues from commercial property to off-set new costs;

AND WHEREAS the larger urban municipalities are going to receive savings on new OPP costs and yet have the higher calls for service and crime rate;

AND WHEREAS this means that small rural seasonal communities that are relatively safe communities are subsidizing larger urban centres;

AND WHEREAS the overall OPP review process was flawed whereby the many resolutions, delegations and depositions by various communities were not listened to; the various committees that were established were weighted in favour of larger communities and the results appear to have been predetermined;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of McKellar reiterate its objection to the new OPP billing model and call on the Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Mr. Yasir Naqvi, the Auditor General, Ms. Bonnie Lysyk and the Ombudsman, Mr. Andre Marin to call a moratorium on the implementation of the new billing model until such time as a fair and more equitable billing model for all Ontario municipalities can be introduced;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in the District of Parry Sound, all small municipalities in Ontario, AMO, FONOM, NOMA, ROMA and the PC and NDP parties."

Carried.

- ix. John Yakabuski, MPP –re: Power Dam Special Payment Program - **filed**
- x. Town of Bancroft –re: Unorganized Townships and Policing Costs

Resolution # 7

Moved by **Heather Phanehour**, sec. by **Garry Gruntz**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby support the following resolution from the Town of Bancroft;

WHEREAS the Town of Bancroft is in receipt of the new OPP Billing Model which sees invoices split between base costs and calls for service on an approximate 60/40 split;

AND WHEREAS all municipalities will pay the same base cost per property, which is estimated at \$ 203.00 per property;

AND WHEREAS the new model received Cabinet approval on August 13, 2014 and will commence on January 1, 2015, to be phased in over five years;

AND WHEREAS the Province is currently responsible for policing costs associated with unorganized townships;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality of Killarney passed a resolution requesting the Province implement a billing method for those properties located in unorganized townships;

NOWTHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bancroft does hereby endorse the resolution passed by the Municipality of Killarney and request the Province implement a billing method for those properties in unorganized townships so those properties contribute to their fair share of policing costs;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Ministry of Finance, AMO, Todd Smith, MPP Prince Edward-Hastings and all Municipalities serviced by the OPP.”

Carried.

7. PAYMENTS

Resolution # 8

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Heather Phanehour**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby approve the General Account/Voucher # 10 in the amount of **\$ 66,313.68**, the Roads Account/Voucher # 10 in the amount of **\$ 156,618.22**, the Recreation Account/Voucher # 10 in the amount of **\$ 6,844.72** and the Bicentennial Park Account/Voucher # 10 in the amount of **\$ 1,326.91.**”

Carried.

8. SEVERANCES

i. Resolution # 9

Moved by **Steven Jessup**, sec. by **Heather Phanehour**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby approve Consent Application File No. B126/14.”

Carried.

9. BY-LAWS

- i. Resolution # 10

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT By-law No. 2014-38, being a by-law to authorize the Reeve and the Clerk to sign a Heavy Rescue (Extrication) Agreement with the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty & Richards, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2014-38 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

- ii. Resolution # 11

Moved by **Steven Jessup**, sec. by **Garry Gruntz**

“THAT By-law No. 2014-39, being a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan to authorize the borrowing upon serial debentures in the principle amount of \$ 275,000.00 towards the cost of the expansion of the Municipal Complex, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2014-39 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

- iii. Resolution # 12

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT By-law No. 2014-40, being a by-law to appoint a Deputy-Clerk, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2014-40 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

- i. Council approved the draft response from Jp2g regarding the MOE inspection reports for the Raglan Transfer Station and Brudenell Waste Site.
- ii. No action was taken on the proposal from RealTerm Energy to upgrade the streetlight network to LED lights.
- iii. Resolution # 13

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Steven Jessup**

“THAT we the Council for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby accept the quote from Jp2g in the amount of \$ 21,500 plus HST to complete Phase 2 – Building Condition Assessment of the Asset Management Plan and authorize the Reeve and Clerk to sign the Client Approval Letter.”

Carried.

- iv. Resolution # 14

Moved by **Steven Jessup**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT Council go into closed session to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (human resources issue) and personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees (municipal employees).”

Carried.

Resolution # 15

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Heather Phanenhour**

“THAT Council comes out of closed session.”

Carried.

11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution # 16

Moved by **Steven Jessup**, sec. by **Garry Gruntz**

“THAT By-law No. 2014-41, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan at its Regular Council Meeting of November 12, 2014, was read a first and second time.

By-law No. 2014-41 was read a third and final time and passed.”

Carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # 17

Moved by **Trevor Lidtkie**, sec. by **Steven Jessup**

“THAT this meeting adjourn at 8:15 pm.”

Carried.

Reeve, Garry Gruntz

Clerk, Michelle Mantifel