

**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY  
MINUTES  
COMMITTEE MEETING VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING  
TUESDAY DECEMBER 1, 2020 1:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT**            **Mayor Jennifer Murphy  
Deputy Mayor Tim Schison  
Councillor Brent Patrick  
Councillor Merv Buckwald  
Councillor Jack Roesner  
CAO Annette Gilchrist  
Deputy CAO Sandra Barr**

**REGRETS**            **None**

**GALLERY**            **6**

**CALL TO ORDER    COMMITTEE MEETING**

Chair, Tim Schison called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**MOVED BY**            **Brent Patrick**

**That:** the agenda be accepted with the addition of a closed session regarding an identifiable individual. Carried

**PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF** - None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOVED BY**            **Jennifer Murphy**

**That:** the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on November 17, 2020 be accepted as presented. Carried

**DELEGATIONS**        None

**REPORTS**

**Water & Sewer Department**

Daryl Verch, Water & Sewer Superintendent

- a) The Eganville Drinking Water System is operating in full compliance with all requirements;
- b) Maintenance on fire hydrants continues;
- c) Staff are doing numerous water and sewer locates for contractors and homeowners;
- d) Working on the 2021 budget;
- e) Working of the risk management within the DWQMS process that is required for the Drinking Water License;
- f) There will be provisions in the budget for updating the Asset Management Plan, Master Servicing Plan and the 6 Year Financial Plan to be carried out in 2021. The Financial Plan is a requirement of Reg.453/07, a funding application has been made to assist with the asset plan;
- g) The Eganville Sewage System continues to operate in full compliance according to the Provincial Guidelines set out in the Certificate of Approval; and
- h) The supply lines for the air diffusers on the #1 Treatment Unit has maintenance done on them.

*Water & Sewer Report Received.*

**Works Department**

Jason Zohr, Works Superintendent was present and gave his report.

- a) Memorial Bench 210 Queen Street – Jason Zohr, Works Superintendent met with the property owner to discuss the location of the bench and will make the area look presentable by doing some repaving once the bench is in place;

- b) Mutual Aid – The County of Renfrew has drafted an Agreement for Mutual Aid between the County and all lower tier Municipalities for winter operation emergencies such as Covid. There would be one agreement between the County and all the municipalities and the County would be the main coordinator. County staff will direct the lower tiers if support is needed and the resources are available to assist other Townships with winter operations. This Agreement would carry through into the future for other emergencies;
- c) The lights on the bridge were installed with the assistance of the Recreation Department;
- d) Lake Clear – Jason Zohr, Roads Superintendent spoke with Mary Lyons at the Ministry of Natural Resources about the creek between Lake Clear and Little Lake Clear. She will investigate the options to proceed with possibly dredging the creek between the two lakes and look for any funding opportunities;
- e) Dog Park – Committee discussed a request from a resident to plow Sommerville Drive for the winter months. Committee will follow up with the Recreation Manager at the next meeting;
- f) Committee discussed the draft road agreement with Christopher Grenon and Bettie-Jeanne Hassal that would allow them to make certain improvements to the portion of the unopened, unmaintained municipal road allowance extending westerly from its point of intersection with Fiebig Road for a distance of approximately 200 meters to the northwestern point of the Owner's Lands;
- g) Operational Review – Committee reviewed the recommendations of Jason Zohr, Works Superintendent that were in the Operational Review in relation to the Roads Department.

*Works Department Report Received.*

### **Fire Department**

Dave Murphy, Fire Chief, was present and gave his report.

- a) Fire calls have been busy. Attendance at fires has been excellent and the department has put forth a great effort;
- b) Recruits – Training class of four recruits is now complete, and they are now responding to calls;
- c) Drone Training – Three department members are now qualified as Level 2 pilots;
- d) The Fire Department is continuing to assist private property owners with fire code compliance via phone;
- e) Fire staff will be reaching out to our local schools with fire prevention materials prior to the Christmas Break; and
- f) The fee for the MNR Crown protection has increased slightly for 2021;
- g) Committee discussed the draft by-law to amend By-Law 2019-067 Heavy Extrication Agreement with North Algona Wilberforce; and
- h) Committee reviewed the recommendations of Dave Murphy, Fire Chief that were in the Operational Review in relation to the Fire Department.

*Fire Department Report Received.*

### **Administration**

Annette Gilchrist, CAO was present and gave her report.

- a) Committee reviewed the recommendations of Annette Gilchrist, CAO that were in the Operation Review in relation to Risk Management and Long Range Planning.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **(A) Correspondence "A"**

- (i) Advocacy Update – Bill 128 and Ontario Fall 2020 Budget
- (ii) MOH – COVID-19 Response Framework: Keeping Ontario Safe and Open

### **(B) Correspondence "B"**

- (i) Township of East Garafraxa – Aggregate Resource Assessment
- (ii) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Cannabis Production Regulations
- (iii) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Illicit Cannabis Operations
- (iv) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Regulations Governing Retail Cannabis Stores
- (v) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – The Cannabis Act

- (vi) Northumberland County – Governing Body for Cannabis
- (vii) Northumberland County – Municipal Elections Act
- (viii) Provincial Command – Royal Canadian Legion Military Service Recognition Book
- (ix) Township of Amaranth – Aggregate Resources Property Valuation Resolution
- (x) Township of Essa – Bill 129
- (xi) Township of Huron-Kinloss – Cannabis Production and Land Use Regulations
- (xii) Township of Huron-Kinloss – Municipal Insurance Policy
- (xiii) Township of Huron-Kinloss – Regulation of Cannabis Retail Stores
- (xiv) Township of Huron-Kinloss – Authorized Car Rally

**(C) Correspondence "C"**

Bviii) Committee recommends supporting the Provincial Command – Royal Canadian Legion Military Service Recognition Book in 2021.

**NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- (1)** County of Renfrew Update – Jennifer Murphy updated Committee on County of Renfrew issues including;
- There is now a Covid testing lab in Renfrew County;
  - Update on OPA 31 to be reviewed at the first meeting in January; and
  - Congratulations to Warden Debbie Robinson for being acclaimed for a second term.
- (2)** Tax Adjustments – Committee recommends that the application for an adjustment of taxes for 283A Wieland Shore Road be approved due to a demolition and that an adjustment of taxes in the amount of \$291.78 be made to the property.

**ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Committee Meeting will be held on **Wednesday** December 16, 2020 at 1:30 pm

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOVED BY Merv Buckwald**

**THAT:** Committee proceed in Closed Session at 3:43 p.m. in accordance with the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 c.25, section 239.2 to deal with two matters as indicated below:

- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Carried

**MOVED BY Merv Buckwald**

**THAT:** Committee moves out of Closed Session at 4:31 pm to rise and report at the open Committee meeting that: Committee met to receive an update on a proposed subdivision and to give staff direction regarding Collective Bargaining to begin in January 2021.

Carried

**CONCLUSION**

**MOVED BY Jenn Murphy**

That: the meeting adjourn at 4:33 p.m.

Carried