

**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY  
MINUTES  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY AUGUST 10, 2021 1:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

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

**REGRETS**            **None**

**GALLERY**            **10**

**CALL TO ORDER    COMMITTEE MEETING**

Chair, Brent Patrick called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**MOVED BY**            **Tim Schison**

**THAT:** the agenda be accepted as amended with the addition of two closed session items regarding identifiable individuals. Carried

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

**That:** The Minutes of the Committee Meeting on July 13, 2021 be accepted as presented. Carried

**DELEGATIONS**

EACGD Brian Weckwerth & Dave Kruger: Fishing Dock Update

The Committee was presented with drawings for the floating fishing dock. Committee recommends that the group go through CAO Annette Gilchrist to present these drawing to the Township's engineers for approval.

Sheri Miller – Request to Committee for a permanent memorial to honour the lives of the indigenous children that never made it home from the residential schools. Committee discussed ideas with Sheri that included possibly a mural, a garden, a plaque, a flag, or a wood carving. Committee recommends that Sheri reach out to the Horticultural Society to see what arrangements can be made for a commemorative garden.

Delcan – Rezoning of facility in Foymount. Committee and Delcan agreed that Delcan would host a meeting for the residents of Foymount on August 24 at 6pm to discuss the rezoning of their facility. Mayor Murphy will moderate the meeting. Delcan will deliver a package to all the Foymount residents

**REPORTS**

**Water & Sewer Department**

Daryl Verch, Water & Sewer Superintendent present and gave his report.

- a) The Eganville Drinking Water System is operating in full compliance with all requirements;
- b) Harrington Mechanical are making some spool pieces of stainless steel to replace the old cast to make the new water meter install go a little smoother;
- c) Flushing fire hydrants and performing maintenance continues;
- d) Working on the Preventative Maintenance Program in Cartegraph;
- e) Locates for digs for Ontario One Call continues;

- f) The quarterly samples were collected and analyzed by Caduceon Labs THM,s HAA, S Nitrates, Nitrites, and general chemistry;
- g) The Eganville Sewage System continues to operate in full compliance according to the Provincial Guidelines that are set out in the Certificate of Approval;
- h) Harrington Mechanical are making a new supernatant lift in #1 digester. The old one was rusted out and can no longer be used; and
- i) Processing sludge into Geo Tubes; and
- j) RV Waste Dumping Station has been used between 10 to 15 times this year. Committee directed staff to look into better signage to direct tourists to the station.

*Water & Sewer Report Received.*

### **Public Works**

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

- a) The Speed sign was placed on the McGrath Road and the data was sent to OPP S/Sgt. Pat DiSaverio. After reviewing the data the OPP did not feel there was a speeding issue in that area;
- b) Augsburg Road construction is moving along well. Gravel will be applied to the road on the week of August 16 and paving is scheduled for the mid September. Committee requested that Jason Zohr review the tender for any late completion penalties;
- c) The weed spraying has been completed;
- d) Some of the line painting has been completed, the rain cause some delays;
- e) Greenwood has completed the crack sealing on Bruce Street and Fourth Chute Road. Committee recommends Jason Zohr look out the large crack on the Fourth Chute near Cavanagh's Quarry;
- f) The new Hot Box has been received;
- g) Trail at Fairfields – Fairfields are putting in a public walking trail that will connect Bell Street to Wellington Street South. Committee agreed to maintain the trail in the winter with the sidewalk machine. Committee directed Jason Zohr to work with Fairfields to ensure that the trail is developed so that it can be winter maintained by the Township easily;
- h) Speed Limit on Highway 512 – Committee discussed and requested staff send a request letter on behalf of Council to the County of Renfrew to lower the speed limit on Highway 512 from Miller Road to Lake Clear Road;

*Works Department Report Received.*

### **Recreation & Culture**

Kevin McGrath, Manager of Recreation and Culture, was present and gave his report.

- a) The ice scheduling meeting is scheduled for mid-August for all the user groups;
- b) The golf tournament was on August 6, and 68 golfers attended. Kevin McGrath thanked Mayor Murphy for all her help on the day of the tournament;
- c) Dion checked the fire extinguishers;
- d) Centennial Park – Grass and flower maintenance continues. Playground was inspected and the sand was tilled. Two new security cameras were installed they have a full warranty;
- e) Legion Field – Soccer Field is rented Monday to Thursday for approximately three hours a night for the month of August. Toy Bus will be onsite August 11, 18, and 25<sup>th</sup>. Tour de Bonnechere is happening Sunday August 29. Lake Clear Property Owners Association is having their AGM on Saturday August 21 from 9am to 12 noon;
- f) Lending Hub items are being rented out. In July seven items were lent out;
- g) Grass maintenance and playground inspections, continues throughout all the parks; and
- h) Shop Local Rural Rewards Program - The 1<sup>st</sup> winner of the Shop Local program that was drawn on July 19, 2021 was Brittany Read. She chose a \$25 gift certificate for Papa Ron's Discount Store. The next draw will be held on August 20, 2021.

*Recreation, Community Development and Planning Report Received.*

### **Fire Department**

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

- a) Fire calls are normal for this time of the year;
- b) In person training is continuing with Covid 19 protocols in place.
- c) In person inspections have resumed. Fire staff are working with businesses and residents with fire code issues;
- d) Department has started utilizing inspection pre-planning software;
- e) The Department has once again partnered with Community Safety Net for prevention materials destined for local schools this year. The Department is looking forward to in-person prevention activities with local schools; and
- f) Committee recommends that the Chief get an estimate for a new fire hall in Foymount, so that both estimates can be compared.

*Fire Department Report Received.*

### **Building & By-Law**

Mark Schroeder, CBO and By-Law Enforcement Officer present and gave his report.

- a) Building permit numbers for 2021 have surpassed 2020 numbers.

*CBO and By-Law Enforcement Report Received.*

### **Administration & Finance**

Annette Gilchrist, CAO, was present and gave her report.

- a) The July financial reports are in your packages;
- b) Mayor and CAO are attending the AMO Conference next week and have delegations with Ministries of Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Health;
- c) The Pay Equity report will be reviewed in Closed and if Committee agrees with the recommendations a new pay grid will be presented at the next meeting for approval;
- d) The County of Renfrew withdrew their Development Charges proposal.
- e) The 2012 GMC Cannon truck that is jointly owned with North Algona Wilberforce, that the CBO is no longer using, is being recommended as surplus to operational needs and staff recommends it be declared as surplus and advertised for sale. Committee approves that the truck be declared surplus.

*Report and Financial Report Received.*

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

- (i) Renfrew County Mental Health & Addiction Planning Table – Mental Health Resource Card
- (ii) Cunningham Swan – Municipal Law Summer Update

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

- (i) Township of Lake of Bays – Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence
- (ii) Township of Lake of Bays – Support for Fire Departments
- (iii) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Support Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member's Bill C-313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act
- (iv) Town of Plympton-Wyoming – Motion to Include the PSA Test for Men into the Medical Care
- (v) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Support OBCM action on mental health and addiction plan
- (vi) City of Woodstock – Affordable Housing Crisis in Canada
- (vii) Township of Adelaide Metcalfe – Bill 228 – Banning Unencapsulated Polystyrene Foam
- (viii) Township of Adelaide Metcalfe – Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act
- (ix) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Funding for Maintenance and Preservation Repair of Abandoned Cemeteries
- (x) Township of Georgian Bay – Elimination of LPAT

- (xi) Township of Georgian Bay – Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence
- (xii) Township of Georgian Bay – Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada
- (xiii) Township of Adelaide Metcalfe – Abandoned Cemeteries
- (xiv) Northumberland County – Provincial Offences Act
- (xv) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Licensing of Cannabis Operations previously operating Illegally
- (xvi) City of Stratford – Phase Out Ontario's Gas Plants
- (xvii) Town of Cobourg – Bill C-6 an Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Conversion Therapy)
- (xviii) City of Vaughan – Raising the Legal Age for Licensed Driver from 16 to 18
- (xix) Trudy Kerr – Children at Play signs at Foymount
- (xx) County of Renfrew – Notice of Application and Public Meeting to Amend the County's Official Plan
- (xxi) County of Renfrew – Notice to Public Bodies to Amend the County's Official Plan
- (xxii) Tom Flegal – 4 Acre Lot on Wentland Road

**(C) Correspondence "C"**

Committee discussed the letter from Trudy Kerr and directed Jason Zohr to look into this matter.

**NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- (1)** Mayor's Report – The Mayor asked that this be stricken from the agenda;
- (2)** EGC Update – Tim Schison updated the Committee on the business of the Eganville Generation Corporation. Water levels are approved to be lowered in the watershed starting in September to help prevent spring flooding;
- (3)** BUPL Update – Brent Patrick updated the Committee on the business of the Bonnechere Union Public Library. Fundraising is going well they made \$3500 on their used book sale and approximately \$1500 from their online auction;
- (4)** Delcan – Committee discussed; and
- (5)** River Run Ridge Subdivision – Committee supports the request from River Run Ridge Inc., to the County of Renfrew regarding extending the decision of consent for plan of subdivision file #47-T-14003 for a period of one year;

**ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday September 7, 2021 at 1:30 pm

**MEDIA SESSION**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOVED BY Jennifer Murphy**

**THAT:** Committee proceed in Closed Session in accordance with the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 c.25, section 239.2 to deal with a matter as indicated below:

- (b)personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; Carried

**MOVED BY Merv Buckwald**

**THAT:** Committee moves out of Closed Session to rise and report that Committee met to receive information and give staff direction regarding the Pay Equity Review and Workplace Investigation Report, the Works Department and Fire Department and to approve minutes from June 22, 2021. Carried

**CONCLUSION**

**MOVED BY**            **Tim Schison**

That: the meeting adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Carried

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Brent Patrick, Chair

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Annette Gilchrist, CAO