

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY DECEMBER 7, 2021 1:30 P.M.**

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

REGRETS **None**

GALLERY **8**

CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE MEETING

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

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED BY **Jennifer Murphy**

That: the agenda be accepted with the addition of Item #11 Current State of Emergency Community Emergency Control Group; Item #12 County Road 512; Item #13 Arena and two closed sessions regarding identifiable individuals.

Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF –

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY **Brent Patrick**

That: the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on November 16, 2021 be accepted as presented.

Carried

DELEGATIONS

REPORTS

Works & Waste Department

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

- a) Jason Zohr attended a meeting with the County of Renfrew engineers and other municipal staff to discuss future County construction projects within each individual Township. Committee recommends that Jason Zohr monitor Bonnechere Valley projects that involve County structures and provide the County of Renfrew with two years notice on any work Bonnechere Valley plans to undertake;
- b) Grinding of waste has been completed at Sand Road transfer site, and they have moved to the Snodrifters site;
- c) The Courtesy Crosswalk signs have been installed on the Bridge and near the crosswalk;
- d) The Clontarf sign has been installed at the intersection of McGrath Road and Opeongo Road. Jason Zohr to send photos of the sign to Committee;
- e) Committee recommends that Jason Zohr start budgeting funds towards the closure of the Snodrifters Waste Site on an annual basis.

Works Department Report Received.

Fire Department

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

- a) Fire calls are down in 2021 compared to 2020;
- b) A new recruit class of three has began their initial department training and the four previous recruits are no longer on probation;

- c) Dave Murphy met with and has re-signed the reciprocal agreement with the MNRF for another five years;
- d) The contractor has asked for an extension on the quote for the renovations or a rebuild for the Fire Hall in Sebastopol. Dave Murphy will have the quotation for the January 18th Committee meeting.

Fire Department Report Received.

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

- (i) AMO Policy Update - Fall Economic Statement Highlights
- (ii) AMO Communications - AMO Policy Update November 29, 2021
- (iii) AMO Communications - AMO Watchfile

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) Township of Lake of Bays - Additional COVID-19 Funding
- (ii) Township of Lake of Bays - Support for Federal and Provincial Funding of Rural Infrastructure Projects
- (iii) Township of Wainfleet - Support for Federal and Provincial Funding of Rural Infrastructure Projects
- (iv) Agricorp - Renewal of Rainfall Gauge Site Agreement for 2022-24
- (v) City of Vaughan - Teen Driver Safety Week
- (vi) Municipality of Chatham-Kent - Homelessness Task Force
- (vii) Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Renovictions
- (viii) Municipality of Chatham-Kent - Vaccine Passport Program
- (ix) City of Kitchener - Liquor License Sales and Patio Extensions
- (x) Township of Alnwick Haldimand - Endorse Teen Driver Safety Week & Request MTO Review Measures Newly Licensed Drivers
- (xi) Northumberland County - Federal and Provincial Funding of Rural Infrastructure Projects
- (xii) Town of LaSalle Resolution - COVID-19 Testing Requirement at Land Border
- (xiii) Township of Amaranth - Support for Federal and Provincial Funding of Rural Infrastructure Projects
- (xiv) MTO - Electronic Logging Devices
- (xv) Ontario Geographic Names Board - Falls naming proposal within the Bonnechere River
- (xvi) Town of Georgina – Lack of Recycling Options
- (xvii) Town of Cochrane – Property Assessment

Electronic Logging Devices – Committee discussed Correspondence Item (xiv) MTO - electronic logging devices. The Township does have GPS tracking installed in our plow trucks. More sensors have been ordered for the plow trucks so we will know when the plow is up or down and when sand or salt is on or off.

(C) Correspondence "C"

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1) Mayor's Report – Jennifer Murphy updated Committee;
 - In November the Mayor attended twenty four meetings on behalf of the Township of Bonnechere Valley and the County of Renfrew; including Remembrance Day, Tree Lighting Ceremony and the Cunningham Law Seminar and Code of Conduct refresher;
 - The new board member for EORN is from the City of Pembroke;

- Debbie Robison was acclaimed for her third term as Warden for the County of Renfrew;
 - EACDG is moving ahead with the fishing dock and are currently working on funding for an electric vehicle charging station;
 - Santa Clause Parade is Sunday at 1pm. The Mascot for the Ontario Winter Games which is coming to Renfrew County in 2022 will also be in attendance;
- (2) EGC Update – Tim Schison updated the Committee on the EGC. A tour of the Generation facility will take place on December 21, 2021 at 12:30pm for Board members and staff;
 - (3) Memorandum of Understanding Township of McNab Braeside Kitchen Waste – Committee discussed the memorandum of understanding proposed by McNab Braeside to have all Bonnechere Valley’s kitchen waste sent to their proposed recycling facility in McNab Braeside. Under the terms of the agreement Bonnechere Valley will not enter into any binding agreements that would impede with the terms of this MoU. Committee agreed and the resolution will be brought forward to the December 21 meeting of Council;
 - (4) County of Renfrew Planning Services Agreement – Committee agreed to the terms of the Planning Services Agreement and the by-law will be brought forward to Council on January 18, 2022;
 - (5) 2022 Meeting Schedule – Committee reviewed and approved the 2022 Committee and Council meeting date schedule. Committee directed CAO Annette Gilchrist to make meeting time changes and add virtual attendance to the Procedural By-Law and bring forward a draft to the next Committee meeting for further discussion;
 - (6) Rogers Communications Inc Proposed Wireless Communications Site – Committee agreed to the terms and directed CAO Annette Gilchrist to send a concurrence letter to Rogers;
 - (7) Energy Efficiency Studies and Funding Opportunities – Committee directed staff to work with CIMCO to secure and complete the government funding grant to cover 80% of the costs for two studies (curling club and arena) in order to gain access to three million dollars, per facility, in efficiency upgrades;
 - (8) Health & Safety Policy – Committee reviewed the revised Health and Safety Policy and recommended approval;
 - (9) Emergency Control Group Appointment – Committee recommends that the following persons are designated as the Municipal Emergency Control Group until the end of the present term of Council.: the Mayor Jennifer Murphy or (Designated Head of Council); Councillor Tim Schison; Councillor Jack Roesner; Councillor Brent Patrick; Councillor Merv Buckwald; CAO Annette Gilchrist (Alternate Sandra Barr); CEMC Erica Rice; Public Works Supervisor Jason Zohr (Alternate Dale Verch); Water/Sewer Department Supervisor Daryl Verch; Recreation Manager Kevin McGrath; Fire Chief Dave Murphy; and the Emergency Information Officer (EIO) Dana Jennings;
 - (10) Tax Adjustment Due to Demolition – Committee recommends that the application for an adjustment of taxes for 340 Gierman Road be approved due to a demolition. And further that an adjustment of taxes in the amount of \$444.08 be made to the property;
 - (11) Current State of Emergency: Community Emergency Control Group – Committee discussed the current state of emergency due to Covid-19. The next CEGC meeting is Thursday December 9, 2022 at 3pm;
 - (12) County Road 512 – Committee discussed the road construction project on County Road 512. The road reconstruction project will be proceeding in 2022. If the last two property owners do not sign off, the project will proceed with some changes to the scope of the project;
 - (13) Arena – Committee discussed children under 18 that are unvaccinated and not allowed in the arena. Annette Gilchrist and Kevin McGrath will review the vaccination requirements with the RCDHU for youth regarding their attendance at the arena.

CLOSED SESSION

MOVED BY Jack Roesner

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;

(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 Brent Patrick

THAT: Committee moves out of Closed Session to rise and report that Committee met to receive information and give staff direction regarding the negotiations of the Sponsorship and Naming Rights of the Dog Park as well as two personal matters about Township employees and to approve minutes from October 19, 2021.

Carried

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday December 21, 2021 at 1:30 pm

CONCLUSION

MOVED BY Jennifer Murphy

That: the meeting adjourn at 4:25 p.m.

Carried

Tim Schison, Chair

Annette Gilchrist, CAO