

The Council of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock met in the Council Chambers of the Hickson Municipal Office, Hickson, Ontario at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 4, 2009.

Members present: Mayor Don MCKAY, Deputy Mayor Maureen RALPH and Councillors Don MACDONALD, Clive LAWRY, Dave OLIPHANT, Jeremy SMITH and Betty YEOMAN.

Staff present: C.A.O. Jeff Carswell and Tax Collector Brenda Junker

Approve Agenda

1. Moved by Clive LAWRY
Seconded by Dave OLIPHANT
Resolved that Council approve the agenda for the November 4, 2009 meeting as printed and circulated and further that the following be added to the agenda for this meeting:
 - Supplemental Agenda
 - Innerkip Santa Claus Parade

CARRIED.

PECUNIARY INTERESTS:

None

Confirm Minutes

2. Moved by Maureen RALPH
Seconded by Don MACDONALD
Resolved that Council confirm the minutes of the October 21, 2009 meeting as printed and circulated.

CARRIED.

October 2009 Pay Voucher

3. Moved by Don MACDONALD
Seconded by Jeremy SMITH
Resolved that Council adopt the October 2009 Pay Voucher in the amount of \$587,416.20.

CARRIED.

Correspondence & Reports – No Resolutions

Grand River Conservation Authority – October 2009 Minutes

East Zorra-Tavistock Police Services Board – October 21, 2009 Minutes

Tavistock & District Recreation Facilities Board – October 2009 Minutes

Innerkip Santa Claus Parade Committee – Requesting Sponsorship

Correspondence & Reports – Resolutions Following

County Council Update

The Mayor informed Council of recent County Council meetings and various related issues.

Yeoman to County
Symposium

3. Moved by Dave OLIPHANT
Seconded by Maureen RALPH
Resolved that Council authorize attendance of the following persons at the Growing Stronger and Healthier Together seminar to be held November 10, 2009 in Ingersoll:
Betty YEOMAN

CARRIED.

At 10:15 a.m., Chief Building Official/Drainage Superintendent James Harmer attended Council to report on the following matters:

- Building Permit Report
- Update on progress of various drainage projects
- Update on agreement with MNR re endangered species
- Answer various questions of Council

October Building
Permit Report

5. Moved by Clive LAWRY
Seconded by Betty YEOMAN
Resolved that Council adopt the October 2009 Building Permit Report of C.B.O. James Harmer showing 8 permits issued at an estimated value of \$1,892,600.00.

CARRIED.

At 10:25 a.m., Public Works Manager Dennis O'Neil attended Council to report on the following matters:

- Monthly Roads Activity Report
- Level of Service Policy for Winter Control
- Answer various questions of Council

Staff Report re: Municipal Election Recount Policy

Establish Municipal
Election Recount
Policy

6. Moved by Dave OLIPHANT
Seconded by Clive LAWRY
Resolved that Council establish the following municipal election recount policy in addition to the provisions set out in the Municipal Elections Act:
if the number of votes separating candidates from winning an office is a variance of:
- 5 votes or less, or;
 - 1% of voters casting ballots for the office, whichever is the lesser
- the Clerk shall hold a recount of the votes for the candidates in question.

CARRIED.

Ken Wettlaufer, Facilities Manager – re: Olympic Torch Relay Committee

Establish Olympic Torch Relay Committee

7. Moved by Betty YEOMAN
 Seconded by Jeremy SMITH
 Resolved that Council authorize creation of an Olympic Torch Relay Committee comprised of Councillors and volunteers from the community with a mandate to organize and operate activities in conjunction with the Olympic Torch Relay in Tavistock on December 27, 2009;
 And further that people on the Committee and those assisting with planning and events be recognized as Township volunteers;
 And further the Committee be provided with a budget of \$1,750 from the Township;
 And further that Council endorse and support the Committee's vision of 'involvement and participation from other service clubs and associations' and a "low cost day with community participation as the focus".

CARRIED.

Staff Report re: Official Plan Review

Items for Consideration in OP Review

8. Moved by Clive LAWRY
 Seconded by Dave OLIPHANT
 Resolved that Council adopt the recommendations in Staff Report #CAO2009-43 dated November 2, 2009 regarding items for consideration in the Official Plan review.

CARRIED.

BY-LAWS

1st & 2nd Reading

9. Moved by Dave OLIPHANT
 Seconded by Betty YEOMAN
 Resolved that the following by-laws be read a first and second time:
 - 2009-40 By-law to Amend By-law #2004-18 – the Roads & Public Works Level of Service Policy
 - 2009-41 By-law to Amend By-law #16-91 – the Sidewalk Snow Removal By-law
 - 2009-42 By-law to Amend By-law #2005-46 – the Comprehensive Roads By-law

CARRIED.

3rd Reading

10. Moved by Maureen RALPH
 Seconded by Jeremy SMITH
 Resolved that the following by-laws be read a third and final time:
 - 2009-40 By-law to Amend By-law #2004-18 – the Roads & Public Works Level of Service Policy
 - 2009-41 By-law to Amend By-law #16-91 – the Sidewalk Snow Removal By-law
 - 2009-42 By-law to Amend By-law #2005-46 – the Comprehensive Roads By-law

CARRIED.

As East Zorra-Tavistock has now assumed responsibility for Oxford Road 5 from Lots 4-15, discussion was held regarding changing the name to the 17th Line, and the potential impact, if any, on residents along that section of road. Staff will investigate the name change in conjunction with preparation of a maintenance agreement with the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

- Committee of the Whole, in camera 11. Moved by Maureen RALPH
Seconded by Don MACDONALD
Resolved that Council does now adjourn to Committee of the Whole, in camera, at 11:15 a.m. to consider a matter pertaining to:
- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
- CARRIED.**
- Council Reconvenes 12. Moved by Clive LAWRY
Seconded by Maureen RALPH
Resolved that the Committee of the Whole does now rise and Council reconvenes at 11:45 a.m.
- CARRIED.**
- Harmer Resignation 13. Moved by Jeremy SMITH
Seconded by Betty YEOMAN
Resolved that Council accepts the resignation of Chief Building Official James Harmer effective April 30, 2010, and wishes him well in his retirement.
- CARRIED.**
- Confirming By-law 14. Moved by Maureen RALPH
Seconded by Clive LAWRY
Resolved that by-law #2009-43 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council held Wednesday, November 4, 2009 be read a first, second and third time this 4th day of November, 2009 and further that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the same and affix the corporate seal thereto.
- CARRIED.**
- Adjourn 15. Moved by Dave OLIPHANT
Seconded by Don MACDONALD
Resolved that Council does now adjourn at 11:46 a.m.
- CARRIED.**