

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leo Jobin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Councillors Teresa Miller and Cec Reid present. Councillor David Hodgins was absent. Guests in attendance were Don Butterworth, Harry Fry, Susan Major, Tina Martin, and Murray Rose. Staff member in attendance was Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler.

NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2012-290

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented. ‘Carried’

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2012-291

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the minutes of the September 11th regular Council meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. ‘Carried’

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES - None

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS - None

CITIZEN’S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Harry Fry, Bonfield Community Policing Committee, was in attendance to thank Council for its support of the September 26th ‘Community Safety Event’ in Bonfield, and to extend a personal invitation to Council members to attend the event.

Tina Martin, one of Chisholm’s representatives to the Powassan & District Union Public Library Board, was present to update Council on the status of the Library’s Expansion Project, including costs, recent and upcoming fundraising events, etc., and to extend an invitation to the Mayor and Council members to attend the October 20th Auction.

Susan Major was in attendance to request that Council pass a resolution endorsing a resolution being put forward by the Chisholm Women's Institute stating the need for a 'Large Animal' Veterinarian to service farmers who have large animals in the Powassan and Chisholm areas.

Murray Rose, Supervisor of the Golf Course Road reconstruction project, was in attendance to update Council on the project, and to answer Council's questions with respect to the project.

Resolution 2012-292

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm endorses a resolution being put forward by the Chisholm Women's Institute stating the need for an available "Large Animal" Veterinarian in the Chisholm and Powassan areas to service farmers who have large animals. We also agree and support the statements that current Large Animal Veterinarians in the area are not always available at short notice and in emergency cases due to distance. **'Carried'**

OPEN FORUM - None

MAYOR, STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolution 2012-293

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Mayor, Staff and Committee Reports be accepted as presented, and a summary of these reports be attached as Addendum "A" to the minutes. **'Carried'**

BUDGET REPORT - None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2012- 294

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that By-law 2012-32, being a by-law to amend By-law 2011-45 to structure the various Committees and other roles and positions for the township for the year 2012, be read a first, second and third time and be passed this 25th day of September, 2012. **'Carried'**

Resolution 2012-295

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Whereas as a result of discussions between the township's planning consultant and the Ministry, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, in a letter dated September 20, 2012, has revised its draft decision and proposed modifications subsequent to its July 3rd letter; and

Whereas the proposed modifications outlined in the September 20, 2012 letter are acceptable to Chisholm Township Council;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm accepts the draft decision and endorses the proposed modifications as outlined in the Ministry's September 20th, 2012 letter. **'Carried'**

Resolution 2012- 296

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Whereas the Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure is providing funding up to \$24,000 per small municipality to fund the preparation of an asset management plan; and

Whereas a municipal asset management plan will be a required component of any application for provincial capital funding in the future, including applications under the Building Together 10-year infrastructure plan;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes the submission of a *'Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative Funding for Asset Management Expression of Interest'*, and further that a letter be provided with the *Expression of Interest*, certifying that the information in the *Expression of Interest* is factually accurate and that the development of an asset management plan that includes all of the information and analysis described in *Building Together Guide for Municipal Asset Management Plans* is a priority. **'Carried'**

Council deferred to the October 9th meeting, when a full Council is expected to be in attendance, a discussion with respect to a request from residents/ratepayers to fund the Mandatory Maintenance Inspection Program for sewage disposal systems.

Resolution 2012- 297

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that this Council takes a five minute recess. Time: 8:03 p.m. **'Carried'**

Resolution 2012- 298

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that this Council returns to regular session. Time: 8:14 p.m. **'Carried'**

Resolution 2012-299

Cec Reid – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm approves the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Bonfield Snowmobile Club and the Township of Chisholm for the following area for the 2012-2013 snowmobile season, and further that the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to execute the Memorandum of Understanding:

- *Unopened/Open road allowance lots 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, Concession 14 ("D" Trail Hill Siding trail to rail line)*
- *Road allowance (unmaintained) between lots 25 and 26, Concession 15 and 16 (BF 205 to where trail turns onto Crown Property).* **'Carried'**

Resolution 2012-300

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes the attendance of Mayor Leo Jobin at the Town Hall meeting hosted by MPP Vic Fedeli and Opposition Leader Tim Hudak, when rescheduled. **'Carried'**

Resolution 2012-301

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm sends its regrets re: gala attendance and authorizes a donation of \$50.00 to Near North Crime Stoppers in lieu of attendance at the 9th Annual Gala. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-302

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: **WHEREAS** the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association intends to make a submission to the Federal Electoral Boundary Commission at its upcoming Public Hearings on behalf of the member Municipalities affected by the proposed electoral boundary changes for the ridings of Nipissing and Parry Sound-Muskoka;

AND WHEREAS the following Municipalities wish to remain in the Parry Sound-Muskoka riding and not be integrated into the riding of Nipissing as proposed by the Commission: Township of Machar, Township of Strong, Township of Joly, Village of Sundridge and the Village of South River;

AND WHEREAS ALL THE NEIGHBOURING MUNICIPALITIES IN THE DISTRICT OF PARRY SOUND ALSO WISH TO PRESERVE THE PARRY SOUND-MUSKOKA RIDING IN IT’S CURRENT FORM;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM supports the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association’s brief to the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario for the presentation to be made at the public hearing to be held in North Bay on Tuesday October 16, 2012. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-303

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm acknowledges the receipt of correspondence from the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority with respect to its 2012 Environmental Awards, and further that the information be posted on the township’s website. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-304

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: **Whereas** years of research confirms the benefits of high quality child care for young children’s intellectual, emotional, social and physical development and later life outcomes; and

Whereas child care promotes the well-being of children and responds to the needs of parents, child care workers and the broader community by supporting quality of life so that citizens can fully participate in and contribute to the economic and social life of their community; and

Whereas many studies show trained and knowledgeable Early Childhood Educators and child care staff are the most important element in quality child care, and that good wages and working conditions are associated with higher job satisfaction and morale, lower staff turnover which leads to high quality education and care;

Therefore Be it Resolved that October 24, 2012 be designated the 12th annual “Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day” in recognition of the

education, dedication and commitment of child care workers to children, their families and quality of life of the community. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-305

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm believes that arbitrators when undertaking a decision should be required to take into account the following criteria as outlined in Bill 121, the Ability to Pay Act, 2012, in addition to any other criteria provided by law:

1. National, provincial and local unemployment rates, economic growth rates and personal income levels.
2. A comparison, as between the employees and other comparable employees in the public and private sectors, of the terms and conditions of employment, including remuneration and benefits, and the nature of the work performed.
3. Inherent advantages in bargaining enjoyed by the employees because there is a monopoly on services, because the activities are not carried on for profit, or for both reasons.
4. If applicable, the mandate of elected officials.
5. The fiscal situation of the Province, (or, if the employer is a municipality or local board of a municipality, the municipality’s fiscal situation).

In applying the criteria, arbitrators shall assume that no tax rate will be increased to pay the costs of the decision or award. Arbitration cases within the entire broader public sector shall be settled within a tight timeline of 3 months.

Whereas Bill 121, the Ability to Pay Act, 2012, will legislate these criteria and bring government employee wages back in line with what municipalities and taxpayers can afford to pay;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm calls on the Legislature of Ontario to pass the Ability to Pay Act, 2012. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-306

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm approves a request from Assistant Supervisor Bob Groulx, dated September 18th, 2012, to take more than three consecutive weeks of vacation at one time. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-307

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that interviews for the position of Councillor be scheduled for Thursday, October 4th, 2012, commencing at 9:30 a.m. **‘Carried’**

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Resolution 2012-308

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm authorizes the attendance of Mayor Leo Jobin at the October 4th Public Consultation Meeting to be held in Callander with respect to the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority’s Integrated Watershed Management Plan, and further that remuneration and expenses be paid in accordance with relevant by-laws. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-309

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm schedules a meeting with BDO Canada LLP to discuss audit fees. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-310

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that By-law 2012-33, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting, be read a first, second, and third time and be passed this 25th day of September, 2012. **‘Carried’**

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2012-311

Teresa Miller – Cec Reid: Be it resolved that we do now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, October 9th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor. **‘Carried’**

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer

ADDENDUM "A"

MAYOR STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Reports

Mayor Leo Jobin provided reports on the following meetings:

- (1) Sept. 6th Health Care Town Hall meeting hosted by MPP Vic Fedeil.
- (2) Sept. 18th Golden Sunshine Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation meeting.

Staff Reports

Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler provided copies of the following to Council:

- (1) Letter from The Ontario Aggregate Resources Corporation re: licence fee disbursement under the Aggregate Resources Act.
- (2) Information re: payment for livestock claims
- (3) Minutes of Sept. 12th Strategic Planning Committee meeting.
- (4) Minutes of Sept. 18th Public Works Committee meeting.

Committee Reports

1. Councillor Cec Reid provided a report on the Sept. 10th Mapleridge School Advisory Council meeting.