

TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2015

Present: Reeve Peter Hopkins, Councillors Bonnie Beier, Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen and Debbie Zulak

Staff: Clerk Administrator, Shawn Boggs

Moved by: Debbie Zulak

Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

15-318 That the Township of McKellar accept the minutes of the September 8, 2015 Council meeting as circulated.

Carried

VISITORS

Mr. Donald Sanderson, CEO, and Mr. Jim Hanna, Communications Officer, with the West Parry Sound Health Centre were in attendance to provide Council with an update on the activities at the Health Centre and Lakeland Long Term Care. Mr. Sanderson distributed copies of the Health Centre's newly adopted Strategic Plan and reviewed the four priorities. Mr. Hanna spoke on the Health Centre's relationship with the Northern School of Medicine and both gentlemen answered questions from Council. Reeve Hopkins thanked Mr. Sanderson and Mr. Hanna for attending.

Moved by: Mike Kekkonen

Seconded by: Morley Haskim

15-319 That the Township of McKellar hereby go into Committee of the Whole at 6:48 p.m.

Carried

PUBLIC FORUM

The following members of the public addressed Council: Ann Szarka and Gord Zulak.

REPORTS

Councillor Zulak gave a verbal report on the September 16, 2015 Belvedere Heights finance meeting. Councillor Beier advised that the Chamber of Commerce is hosting a federal candidates debate on September 22, 2015 and is also hosting a distinguished speaker event with Terry O'Reilly on October 8, 2015. Reeve Hopkins congratulated the Agricultural Society on holding a successful 140th Annual Fall Fair. Reeve Hopkins reported on a successful Active Living Fair and thanked all those involved in organizing this event. Reeve Hopkins also noted that the last market of the season will be on the Thanksgiving weekend and the Recreation Committee and Historical Committee is still in need of volunteers. Reeve's report on file.

Committee recommended that motions be considered to write-off the taxes on the United Church Manse and to grant permission to the Dun-Ahmic Snowriders to use part of the road allowance between Concession 12 and 13 in Lot 32 as an access to McKellar and Grey Owl Lakes.

Moved by: Morley Haskim

Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-320 That the Committee of the Whole rise and report at 7:14 p.m.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier

Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

15-321 That the Township of McKellar submit an application for funding under the Small Communities Fund for the construction of an Eco-Centre at the Waste Transfer Site.

Carried

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Moved by: Debbie Zulak
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

15-322 That the Township of McKellar authorize the Community Control Group and interested Councillors to attend the emergency response training exercise on November 17, 2015. Costs to be paid.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

15-323 That the Township of McKellar authorize the Clerk to attend the AMCTO Zone 7 Fall Workshop on October 22 - 23, 2015. Costs to be paid.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-324 That the Township of McKellar authorize the Public Works snowplow operators to attend the Snowplow training session in Seguin. Costs to be paid.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-325 That in addition to the winter maintenance presently provided, the Corporation of the Township of McKellar hereby agree to provide winter maintenance, the nature and extent of which will be determined by the Public Works Superintendent, for the municipally owned roads and distances attached in Schedule "A" for the 2015-2016 winter season only, **provided that** said roads have at least a minimum width of 20m as determined by survey, have a turning radius at the end of the road or stipulated distance satisfactory to the Public Works Superintendent, and have permanent residents residing thereon on a year round basis as determined by the Clerk Administrator. If these condition do not exist at time of winter ploughing, then the Township of McKellar will not provide winter maintenance on said roads. It is understood that council is under no obligation to continue this program in the future.

It is further understood there is no obligation on Council to convert a municipally owned seasonally maintained road to a year-round maintained road nor is there any obligation on Council to assume presently "unassumed" municipally owned roads. Council, at its sole discretion, will provide maintenance on the roads named in Schedule "A" as Council determines based on maintenance needs and the Township of McKellar's financial capabilities. As presently, there will be no municipal maintenance provided for Fire Routes (unless on a municipal road allowance opened at the sole discretion of the municipality on its own volition without any request from an outside source), private roads, streets, avenues, roads, drives, crescents, circles, laneways, driveways, municipal road allowances opened by private individuals, nor for any other roads which do not appear in Schedule "A".

For the purpose of determining what constitutes a permanent resident, a permanent resident shall be defined as a person who's permanent lodging place to which, whenever absent, he or she intends to return, is located in the Township of McKellar. A person may only have one residence at a time. The place where a person's family resides is also his or her residence, unless he or she moves elsewhere with the intention of changing his or her permanent lodging place. Resolution No. 2014-290 is hereby rescinded.

Carried

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Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-326 That the Township of McKellar instruct the Treasurer to write-off the 2015 taxes on the United Church Manse, roll No. 3-240.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-327 That the Township of McKellar grant permission to the Dun-Ahmic Snowriders to open a trail for snowmobile usage on the road allowance between Concessions 12 and 13 from McKellar Lake to McKellar Lake Road subject to the following:

1. The Dun-Ahmic Snowriders agree to save the Township of McKellar harmless from any and all liability arising from the use of the trail and shall name the Township of McKellar as an additional insured under the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs insurance policy;
2. Responsibility for ensuring the trail remains on public lands rests with the Dun-Ahmic Snowmobile Club;
3. The trail as it travels along public lands shall remain open to the public at no costs;
4. Dun-Ahmic Snowriders, in consultation with the Public Works Superintendent, shall ensure adequate signage is in place.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Morley Haskim

15-328 That the Township of McKellar regretfully accept resolution No. 15-7 of the Economic Development Committee suspending activities.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

15-329 That the Township of McKellar authorize the Committee Coordinator Intern to attend the Chamber of Commerce "Putting Emotion in Marketing" speaker series on October 8, 2015. Costs to be paid.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

15-330 That the Township of McKellar instruct the Planner to send the changes to the draft 5 year review Official Plan Amendment to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs as per his September 9, 2015 correspondence.

Carried

QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The following members of the public addressed Council: Greg Godbeer, Ken Jackson, Wave Weir and Gord Zulak

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-331 That the Township of McKellar, pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) and 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, as amended, move into closed session at 8:51 p.m. to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-332 That the Township of McKellar come out of closed session at 9:18 p.m. and reconvene the meeting.

Carried

Moved by: Debbie Zulak
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

15-333 That the Township of McKellar accept the reports, recommendations and directions arising from the closed session held September 21, 2015.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-334 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2015-35, being a by-law to confirm the proceeding of Council, First and Second reading.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

15-335 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2015-35, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, Third reading and Passed in Open Council this 21st day of September, 2015.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

15-336 That the Township of McKellar adjourn to meet again on October 5, 2015 or at the call of the Reeve. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Carried

Reeve

Clerk Administrator