

TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2017

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

Staff: Clerk Administrator, Shawn Boggs

Moved by: Bonnie Beier

Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-73 That the Township of McKellar accept the minutes of the March 6, 2017 Council meeting as circulated.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim

Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-74 That the Township of McKellar hereby go into Committee of the Whole at 6:33 p.m.

Carried

REPORTS

Councillor Haskim reported on the March break activities. Reeve Hopkins also reported on March break activities and advised Council that he would be away from May 28, 2017 to June 16, 2017. Reeve Hopkins reported that numerous residents have expressed concerns over the low water levels in Manitouwabing Lake. Reeve's Report on file.

Committee recommended that a motion be considered to support the Municipality of Thames Centre resolution and that motions be considered to authorize attendance at the District Municipal meeting, support the Planning Board's request for Official Plan approval authority and match the Historical Committee's fundraising effort for the St. Stephens and Hemlock church buildings.

Moved by: Debbie Zulak

Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-75 That the Committee of the Whole rise and report at 6:57 p.m.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim

Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-76 That the Township of McKellar hereby authorize the Treasurer to write-off taxes under Section 357 of the Municipal Act for roll number 3-17520 as per attached.

Carried

Councillor Beier declared a pecuniary interest on the following motion and vacated her chair.

Moved by: Morley Haskim

Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-77 That the Township of McKellar declare the zoning by-law amendment application submitted by The Ridge at Manitou for Part of Lot 23, Concession 8, to be complete and instruct staff to process the same.

Carried

Councillor Beier returned to her chair.

Moved by: Mike Kekkonen
Seconded by: Morley Haskim

17-78 WHEREAS access to affordable and reliable broadband networks is an important part of everyday life;
AND WHEREAS communities outside of urban centres face challenges in accessing internet service levels comparable to those in cities due to factors such as remote location and challenging terrain;
AND WHEREAS access to broadband is key to economic, education, social and health development;
AND WHEREAS much of the Township of McKellar currently has little or less than 5mbps broadband coverage;
NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Township of McKellar supports Blue Sky Net's application for funding under the Connect to Innovate program.

YEA: Reeve Hopkins, Councillors Beier, Kekkonen, Haskim, Zulak
NAY:

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-79 That the Township of McKellar appoint Mel Hammond to the Recreation Committee for the present term of Council.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-80 That the Township of McKellar instruct the Public Works Superintendent to advertise for the full time position of Equipment Operator/Transfer Site Attendant.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-81 That the Township of McKellar establish an Equipment Operator/Transfer Site Attendant hiring committee consisting of the Public Works Superintendent and all of council

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-82 That the Township of McKellar approve the application to the MTO for the placement of two welcome signs on Highway # 124.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Morley Haskim

17-83 That the Township of McKellar endorse the Municipality of Thames Centre's resolution requesting the Minister of Education to develop a policy that enables all schools and school boards in Ontario to allow individual elementary and secondary schools to have Automated External Defibrillators (AED's) installed in their schools.

Carried

Moved by: Debbie Zulak
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-84 That the Township of McKellar authorize interested Councillors to attend the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association Spring meeting on April 28, 2017. Costs to be paid.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-85 WHEREAS the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing may delegate the authority to approve official plan amendments to area planning boards;
AND WHEREAS the Parry Sound Area Planning Board has requested that it be delegated authority to approve site-specific official plan amendments;
NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of McKellar, as a member of the Parry Sound Area Planning Board, hereby support the request of the Planning Board to be delegated the authority to approve site-specific official plan amendments as set out in Planning Board resolution 2017-8.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-86 That the Township of McKellar commit to match the Historical Committee fund raising efforts for the St. Stephens's and Hemlock church buildings to a maximum of \$75,000.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-87 That the Township of McKellar rescind resolution No. 2014-161, a resolution to prohibit the sale of VQA wines at the McKellar Market and further instruct the Clerk to notify the Registrar of the Alcohol and Gaming of Council's decision in this regard.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-88 That the Township of McKellar accept the quote of Balicki Signs in the amount of \$2,745.90 for the supply of identifying signs and welcome signs as per quote.

YEA: Reeve Hopkins, Councillors Haskim, Kekkonen, Zulak
NAY: Councillor Beier

Carried

QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The following members of the public addressed Council: Henry Beier

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

17-89 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-09, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, First and Second reading.

Carried

Moved by: Bonnie Beier
Seconded by: Debbie Zulak

17-90 That the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2017-09, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, Third reading and Passed in Open Council this 20th day of March, 2017.

Carried

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Moved by: Debbie Zulak
Seconded by: Bonnie Beier

17-91 That the Township of McKellar adjourn to meet again on April 3, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Carried

Reeve

Clerk