

COUNTY OF BRANT COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chambers, Paris
 February 5, 2008
 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Eddy, Councillors Wheat, Schmitt, Simons, Atfield, Powell, Chambers, Hodge, Coleman and Gatward.

Regrets: Councillor Haggart

Staff: Fiebig, Glassford, Compeau, Johnston, Underwood, Bell, and Carman.

Mayor Eddy in the Chair.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Eddy refuted statements made by City of Brantford Councillor Carpenter in an editorial in the January 25, 2008 edition of The St. George Lance regarding the proposed Letter of Intent between the City and County.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by – Councillor Powell
 Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the Brant County Council agenda and addendum for the February 5, 2008 meeting be approved as distributed, with the following additions:

- matter under “Other Business” regarding the Code of Conduct
- congratulatory resolution for the Farm Family of the Year

. Carried

MINUTES

Moved by – Councillor Hodge
 Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the minutes of the January 22, 2008 meeting of Brant County Council be adopted, copies having been forwarded to the members prior to the meeting.

. Carried

CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt
 Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That the Council of the County of Brant proclaim the week of February 9 – 17, 2008 as “I Love Gymnastics Week in the County of Brant”.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the following Consent Information Report item be received:

1. Decisions from the January 24, 2008 Committee of Adjustment meeting.

And that the following Consent Communication items be received:

1. AMO Member Communications:
 - a. Support for FCM's Call for Intergovernmental Action on Housing and Homelessness
 - b. Pre-Budget Submission for new provincial-municipal fiscal relationship
 - c. AMO response to commentary in Financial Post
 - d. Notice of AMO Large Urban Symposium to be held May 12 and 13 in Windsor.
2. Thank you from Emily LaRonde (PW) for Christmas vouchers.
3. Press release from PrimaCare Physicians Group re: Dr. John Tamale joining the group.

.Carried

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Councillor Wheat presented the following report from the January 29, 2008 meeting of the Emergency Services Committee:

1. That staff be authorized to negotiate a six-month extension, with an option for another six-month extension, to the lease of the Charing Cross Street Ambulance Station.
2. That Dean Featherston be appointed as a Captain at Station No. 6 Onondaga.
3. That the purchase of one (1) 25,000 kg/54,600 lb GVW Tandem Diesel Tanker, equipped as per the County of Brant specifications, be awarded to Thibault & Associates in the total amount of \$205,900, plus G.S.T.
4. That staff be authorized to implement the necessary steps for the realignment of fire services from Tranquility Hall.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the report of the Emergency Services Committee from its January 29, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

Councillor Wheat thanked Fire Chief Collings and Paris District Chief Emerson for bringing the new aerial truck to the Council Chambers for viewing this evening. It was noted that arrangements are being made for the aerial truck to travel to various communities throughout the County for viewing by County residents.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Councillor Wheat presented the following report from the January 29, 2008 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee, it being agreed that the two recommendations would be dealt with separately:

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1. **(Amended)** Whereas the County of Brant wishes to proceed with the Twin Pad Arena facility as efficiently as possible;

Be it hereby resolved that the Twin Pad Arena Building Committee be appointed as a **Ad Hoc Standing** Committee of Council;

That the Twin Pad Arena Building Committee be comprised of ~~four~~ **two** representatives of Council **and** the Mayor (ex-officio) ~~and up to a maximum of two members of the public~~, with **the Director and other** staff, as needed, to serve as advisors to the committee;

That Council appoint ~~four~~ **two** members to the Twin Pad Arena Building Committee;

And that staff proceed with organizing the first meeting of the Twin Pad Arena Building Committee with Shore, Tilbe, Irwin and Partners.

2. That staff prepare the necessary documents to proceed with a Request for Proposals for Architectural and Engineering teams to coordinate all phases of design development, contract documents and tendering, contract administration, construction management and post construction review for a two storey addition to the South Dumfries Community Centre;

That the following evaluation criteria be used for assessing the Architectural firm submissions for the Design, Contract Administration and Construction of the two storey addition to the South Dumfries Community Centre:

Company Profile	10 %
Approach and Methodology	10 %
Experience and References	20 %
Team Structure/Staff Qualifications	20 %
Cost Proposal	<u>40 %</u>
Total	100 %

And that Council acknowledge that funding for this project, as per the 2008 capital budget allocation, is dependent on revenue being received from the closure and sale of the municipal building at 5 Main Street North.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That Recommendation 2 of the Parks and Recreation Committee report from its January 29, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

It was noted that the staff report should be corrected to indicate the full funding of \$320,000 from the St. George Lions Club towards the project.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That Recommendation 1 of the Parks and Recreation Committee report from its January 29, 2008 be adopted.

. No Vote - Amendment Follows

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Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the wording of Paragraph 2 of Recommendation 1 be amended by changing “Standing Committee” to read “Ad Hoc Committee”.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the wording of Paragraph 3 of Recommendation 1 be amended by changing “with staff” to read “with the Director and other staff”.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That Recommendation 1 be amended by removing the requirement for the public members on the Committee, and that other methods of public consultation be utilized on this project, such as open houses, public meetings, etc.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That Recommendation 1 be amended by changing the number of Council representatives on the Twin Pad Arena Building Committee from four representatives and the Mayor (ex-officio) to two representatives and the Mayor (ex-officio).

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That Recommendation 1 of the Parks and Recreation Committee report from its January 29, 2008 meeting be adopted, as amended.

. Carried

The following members of Council offered to serve as the two Council representatives on the Twin Pad Arena Building Committee – Councillors Schmitt, Powell and Coleman. It was agreed that a secret ballot would be held to chose the two members of this Committee.

Kathryn Underwood, the Director of Community Services, advised that the Architect is proceeding with the program as laid out in the Request for Proposal for the Twin Pad Arena Project. February 14 has been established for the first meeting of the Building Committee for this project.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from the South Dumfries Non-Profit Housing Corporation re: future expansion of Russell Heights seniors' apartment building. Councillor Schmitt, as a member of the South Dumfries Non-Profit Housing Corporation Board, advised that an expansion is needed, as there are currently 40 people on the waiting list for this housing.

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2. Invitation to attend the Brant County Federation of Agriculture Annual MP/MPP Luncheon on Tuesday, February 19 at noon at Jade's of Paris. Councillors Atfield, Powell, Gatward and Coleman indicated that they would attend on behalf of Brant County Council.

CONGRATULATIONS – FARM FAMILY OF THE YEAR

Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That Brant County Council extend its congratulations to Curtiss and Tonny Littlejohn and Family on being named "Farm Family of the Year" by the Brant County Federation of Agriculture, in recognition of their outstanding service and efforts at the municipal, provincial and federal levels on behalf of the agriculture industry.

. Carried

QUESTIONS

1. In response to a question, Mayor Eddy noted that demolition of the Newport Community Centre will be carried out once asbestos in the building has been removed.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Information on the 2008 Parks and Recreation Ontario Education Forum and Trade Show to be held from March 30 – April 2 at the Deerhurst Resort.
2. Councillor Gatward advised that the Code of Conduct Sub-Committee held their first meeting on February 4. It was agreed that an education session would be held for all members of Council on the Code of Conduct at 5:45 p.m. prior to the February 19 Council meeting.

In Camera at 8:10 p.m. to discuss litigation matters, property negotiations and union negotiations, on motion of Councillors Coleman and Hodge.

This portion of the meeting is recorded in the In Camera – Confidential Brant County Council minutes dated February 5, 2008.

Open Session at 9:05 p.m., on motion of Councillors Schmitt and Powell.

PARAMEDIC CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the amended collective agreement for the County's paramedic employees between the County and OPSEU Local 256, covering the period April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2010.

. Carried

BY-LAWS

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Chambers

That the following by-laws be now read a first time:

- By-law Number 22-08 to authorize a submission of an application to the Ontario Infrastructure Project Corporation for funding from the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative for the rehabilitation of County Highway 54.
- By-law Number 23-08 to permanently close and transfer lands described as part of Ancaster Road, designated as Part 2, 2R-6532, and part of Hamilton Road, designated as Parts 4 and 5, 2R-6861, geographic Township of Brantford.
- By-law Number 24-08 to authorize the sale of vacant land, being part of the closed road allowance between Lots 48 and 49, Concession 2, geographic Township of Brantford, to Douglas John and Barbara Evelyn McMillan.
- By-law Number 25-08 to authorize a Development Agreement with Elmer John and Christine Kardos for property located in Part of Lot 17, Concession 6, geographic Township of Burford (337 Sixth Concession Road).
- By-law Number 26-08 to authorize a Garden Suite Development Agreement with Frederick Morgan Cornwell, Morgan Jeffrey Cornwell and Jamie Frederick Cornwell regarding property located at Part of Lot 55, Concession 3, geographic Township of Brantford (100 Molson Road).
- By-law Number 27-08 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Chambers

That the following by-laws be now read a second time and all clauses and preamble be adopted:

- By-law Number 22-08 to authorize a submission of an application to the Ontario Infrastructure Project Corporation for funding from the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative for the rehabilitation of County Highway 54.
- By-law Number 23-08 to permanently close and transfer lands described as part of Ancaster Road, designated as Part 2, 2R-6532, and part of Hamilton Road, designated as Parts 4 and 5, 2R-6861, geographic Township of Brantford.
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Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Chambers

That the following by-laws be now read a third time, passed, signed and sealed:

- By-law Number 22-08 to authorize a submission of an application to the Ontario Infrastructure Project Corporation for funding from the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative for the rehabilitation of County Highway 54.
- By-law Number 23-08 to permanently close and transfer lands described as part of Ancaster Road, designated as Part 2, 2R-6532, and part of Hamilton Road, designated as Parts 4 and 5, 2R-6861, geographic Township of Brantford.
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. Carried

TWIN PAD ARENA – REPRESENTATIVES ON BUILDING COMMITTEE

It was agreed that if there was a tie in the number of votes, the Clerk would draw the name of the appointee(s) from a hat. The Clerk announced the results of the secret ballot for the members of the Twin Pad Arena Ad Hoc Committee.

Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Gatward

That Councillors Schmitt and Coleman be appointed to the Twin Pad Arena Ad Hoc Committee.

. Carried

NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. to meet again on **Tuesday, February 19, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers, Paris.

Mayor

Date Minutes Approved

Clerk