

COUNTY OF BRANT COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chambers, Paris
March 18, 2008
7:00 p.m.

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

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

Mayor Eddy in the Chair.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by – Councillor Powell
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the Brant County Council agenda and addendum for the March 18, 2008 meeting be approved as distributed.

. Carried

DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS**Presentation - Wellness Champion Award**

Tamara Forest, a member of the Wellness Works Team at the Brant County Health Unit, presented a Mover and Shaker Wellness Champion Award to Lesley Atkinson in recognition of her advocacy, commitment, motivation and promotion of wellness activities in the County workplace.

Shelly Russell, another member of the Wellness Works Team at the Health Unit, highlighted some of the Wellness and Health and Safety initiatives and events that had occurred at the County over the past year. She presented Mayor Eddy and Lesley Atkinson with a framed painting by Holly O. in recognition of the County's efforts to create a healthy workplace environment.

Newport Road Property

Colin Cook, on behalf of the Cook and Colibaba families, expressed concern that the County had allocated up to \$100,000 of the funds to purchase their properties for legal fees, permit fees, land transfer taxes and demolition. He requested that since the County will be purchasing their properties, the County should be responsible for the legal fees and land transfer taxes, and that all the County permit fees, tipping fees, etc. be waived so that the County does not gain from their losses.

Petition – Thirteenth Concession Road

Dan DeGroote, on behalf of the residents of the Thirteenth Concession, presented a petition signed by twenty-four residents requesting that the Thirteenth Concession Road be paved. He advised that the residents are frustrated because they have requested upgrades to the road on several occasions, but no action has been taken. He noted that with the addition of a new business recently, there are three businesses on this road with heavy equipment that make the conditions worse. Mr. DeGroote suggested that the salt and sand applied over the winter months further deteriorate the road.

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Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the petition from the residents of the Thirteenth Concession Road requesting that the road be paved be referred to the Public Works Committee for consideration.

. Carried

Taxi Cab Meters

Jeff Summerhayes advised that he was not in favour of the change to meters in taxis instead of the current zone fares. This will increase costs for him, and due to the fact that he is on a limited disability income, he will have to reduce his use of taxi services. Mr. Summerhayes suggested that the change to taxi meters would increase the fees and as such make this service inaccessible to him and others within the County who do not have access to a vehicle or public transit. County staff was requested to investigate the qualifications for the County's accessible transportation service to ascertain if Mr. Summerhayes would qualify for this service.

MINUTES

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the minutes of the March 4, 2008 meeting of Brant County Council be adopted, copies having been forwarded to the members prior to the meeting.

. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Copy of letter to M.P. Lloyd St. Amand from Hon. Chuck Strahl, Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, regarding ownership of the tow path lands located along the Grand River. C.A.O. Rick Fiebig advised that although the September 4 letter from Minister Strahl had not been presented to Council, he had reported to Council on the letter and noted that Ministry staff had committed to do further research. This information, which has never been received, was to be referred to the County Solicitor to review and provide a cost estimate to pursue this matter.

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt
Seconded by – Councillor Wheat

That County of Brant Legal staff be directed to discuss with the County Solicitor a time and cost estimate for proceeding with an action related to a zoning infraction on the towpath lands in Middleport, as well as an opinion on the chances of success if this action is pursued.

. Carried

2. Copy of City/County agreement for the operation of the John Noble Home. County staff was requested to review the City/County agreement for the operation of the John Noble Home, particularly the dispute resolution process, to determine if the City of Brantford can proceed to assume responsibility for the operation of the Home through the City's Social Services Committee, without the approval of Brant County Council.

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3. In response to a question, Mayor Eddy advised that no further meeting has been scheduled with representatives of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs regarding a public meeting on the former Burtch Industrial Farm property.

CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the following Consent Information Report items be received:

1. Decisions from the February 28, 2008 Committee of Adjustment meeting.
2. Applications to be heard at the March 27 Committee of Adjustment meeting.
3. Media Release from County of Brant Fire Department – Fire Damages Paris Home.
4. Media Release from the Brant County Mutual Aid Fire Service Association – Smoke Alarms – How Much is Your Life Worth.
5. *Source Protection Update* March newsletter.

And that the following Consent Communications items be received:

1. AMO Member Communications:
 - a. Information on 2008 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund allocation.
 - b. MOHLTC Survey on the Development of Regulations under the Long Term Care Homes Act, 2007 (the survey has been sent to Eleanor Maslin, John Noble Home Administrator, to answer)
 - c. Approval of the Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste Program Plan – Phase 1
 - d. Proposed Bill to direct 2007/08 Provincial Budget surplus to municipal infrastructure
 - e. Information on LAS Energy Management Software program
 - f. Information on the Large Urban Symposium to be held in Windsor on May 12 – 13, 2008
 - g. Call for submissions for the Peter J. Marshall Innovations Award.
2. Copy of letter to MPP Dave Levac from Hon. Jim Bradley, Minister of Transportation re: provincial funding for the Paris High Level Bridge.
3. Copy of letter to MP Lloyd St. Amand from Hon. James Flaherty, Federal Minister of Finance re: funding for municipal infrastructure. **In response to questions, it was noted that there are specific requirements for the use of the Gas Tax funding, and that the Build Canada Federal infrastructure program has not been implemented yet.**
4. Hon. David Caplan, Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal – concerns about federal decisions that impact the COMRIF program.
5. News release from the Ministry of the Environment – Ontario Charging Commercial, Industrial Users for Water.
6. Announcement from Hon. Jim Watson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing that a portion of the Provincial surplus will be designated for municipal infrastructure needs.
7. Grand River Conservation Authority – Notice of approval of 2008 General Levy.
8. Press Release from the PrimaCare Community Family Health Team of hiring of Dr. Christine Mokone. **Councillor Simons thanked the Committee for their work in bringing two new doctors to the community.**
9. Dr. Janice Willett, President of the Ontario Medical Association, re: Council's support for banning smoking in cars carrying children.

10. Notice from the Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal that Dr. Bruce Krushelnicki has been appointed as Chief Planning Advisor with the Ontario Growth Secretariat with responsibility for implementation of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe.
11. Notification from Brant County Power Inc. that Terry Collins has been elected as Chair effective March 13, 2008.
12. Notice of Tree Planting workshop being sponsored by the GRCA and LPRCA on March 25 from 7 – 9 p.m. at the Burford Agricultural Hall.
13. Information from the Grand River Conservation Authority on the Grand River Watershed Awards and Community Conservation Grants.
14. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing March 2008 *Update* newsletter.
15. Request from the Ontario Association of Naturopathic Doctors to proclaim the week of May 4 – 11, 2008 as Naturopathic Medicine Week.
16. Stantec Consulting – Notice of Hagersville and Dunnville Master Servicing Plan Stakeholders Meetings.
17. One – The Public Sector Group of Funds 2007 Annual Report.
18. Conservation Ontario E-news for March 2008.
19. Chamber of Commerce *In Touch* March newsletter.
20. Thank you from Kathryn Underwood for expression of sympathy.
21. Brant County Power Inc. – Minutes of January 9 and February 6, 2008 meetings.
22. Hon. Jim Watson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Ontario Government participation in Earth Hour from 8 – 9 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, 2008.

. Carried

PUBLIC WORKS

Councillor Coleman presented the following report from the March 10, 2008 meeting of the Public Works Committee:

1. Whereas the Safe Drinking Water Act, under the recommendation of Justice Dennis R. O'Connor, requires the implementation of the Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) by May 1, 2009;

And whereas one of the initial steps in the implementation of the DWQMS is to designate an Implementation Lead and a Quality Management Standard Representative to lead the project;

Be it hereby resolved that the Water Division Manager be designated as Implementation Lead for the initial development and implementation of the DWQMS;

That the Water Services Technologist be designated as the Quality Management Standard Representative for the DWQMS;

And that members of management and appropriate staff attend the DWQMS training being offered by the Walkerton Clean Water Centre (WCWC).

2. Whereas there are sufficient funds in the approved budget;

Be it hereby resolved that RFP 1-08 for "Consultant Services for Mt. Pleasant Water Facility Upgrades" be awarded to R.V. Anderson Associates Limited for the quoted price of \$203,100.00, excluding G.S.T.

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3. Whereas the County of Brant Committee of Adjustment approved a severance application from Mark and Betty Courtnage conditional on a reapportionment of the drainage assessment for the Hodge Branch of the McCormack-Meadows Drain between the retained property and the severed parcel, as set out in Section 65 of The Drainage Act;

And whereas Mark Courtnage and Betty Courtnage, the owners of property located in Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 11, geographic Township of Burford, and Lloyd McLellan, the proposed owner of the parcel to be severed from the Courtnage property, have agreed to reapportion the drainage assessment based on the acreage of the two properties;

Be it hereby resolved that the Council of the County of Brant approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Brant, Mark Courtnage and Betty Courtnage, and Lloyd McLellan for the reapportionment of the Hodge Branch Drain drainage assessment as follows:

Courtnage property	91.8% of the existing drainage assessment
McLellan severed parcel	8.2% of the existing drainage assessment

4. Whereas the Southwest Paris Water and Wastewater Servicing project includes the installation of a sanitary sewer on a portion of Mile Hill Road;

And whereas the property owner of 125 Mile Hill Road desires to connect to the sanitary sewer when it becomes available;

And whereas lot frontage fees and connection permit fees for a connection to the proposed sanitary sewer on Mile Hill Road will be payable by property owners upon their connection to the sewer in accordance with the County's Fees and Charges By-law current at the time of connection;

And whereas the County has received a request for special consideration to allow for a reduction in the sanitary sewer frontage fee from the owner of 125 Mile Hill Road;

And whereas 125 Mile Hill Road has a considerable amount of frontage (approximately 452 metres);

And whereas similar arrangements have been made previously for lots with large frontage;

Be it hereby resolved that the request for sanitary sewer frontage fee reduction be granted with the frontage fees for 125 Mile Hill Road to be calculated based on a 50 metre frontage at the frontage fee current at the time of sanitary sewer connection;

That there be no reduction in connection fees;

That staff draft the appropriate amendment to the Sewer Use By-law No. 281-03 to allow the applicant a longer time to connect;

And that the property owner be required to enter into an agreement with the County prior to the sanitary sewer connection which will address payment terms, any applicable Development Charges, time to make the connection, etc.

5. Whereas the Romex Security (Romex) contract for Security / Scalehouse Services at the Biggar's Lane Landfill and the Paris Transfer Station will expire at the end of April, 2008;

And whereas the services provided by Romex have met or exceeded County expectations;

And whereas Romex has supplied a quote for a contract extension until May 1, 2010;

And whereas there are sufficient funds in the operating budget;

Be it hereby resolved that the Romex quote for the extension of contract ESQ 1-03 – Security / Scalehouse Services be accepted at a rate of \$12.98 per hour, plus taxes, effective May 1, 2008 for the duration of the contract until May 1, 2010.

6. Whereas the Biggars Lane Landfill scales are at the end of their useful life;

And whereas the anticipated remaining life of the landfill is similar to the life expectancy of a new set of scales being approximately 15 years;

And whereas the manufacturer, Active Scale Manufacturing (Active) has established and maintained an effective scale supply, maintenance and emergency response history with the County of Brant;

And whereas the County Purchasing Policy provides for purchase from a single source based on 'the compatibility of a purchase with existing equipment, facilities or services is a primary consideration and that purchase must be made from a single source';

And whereas the use of an alternative scale supplier will likely require expensive and time consuming changes to the existing concrete support structure, resulting in additional costs;

And whereas Active can readily supply and install a replacement set of scales to fit the existing concrete support structure with no site operational disruption;

Be it hereby resolved that the supply and installation of a set of replacement scales as per the quote supplied by Active for \$52,600, plus taxes, including the Optional Platinum Warranty be accepted in accordance with their quote dated November 12, 2007.

7. That the request from the Girl Guides in Paris for approval of a "Yellow Fish Road" event, involving painting yellow fish at the storm drains of various less-travelled roads in Paris be approved;

That the request for the use of 15-20 pylons and 15-20 orange safety vests be approved;

That the Girl Guides in Paris work with Roads Division staff to coordinate any other appropriate safety measures;

And that staff prepare a "save harmless" form to be signed by participants / parents to address liability.

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Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

That the report of the Public Works Committee from its March 11, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Haggart presented the following report from the March 10, 2008 meeting of the Corporate Development Committee, it being agreed that Recommendation 4 would be considered separately:

1. That the following evaluation criteria be approved for the Provision of Group Benefits Consulting Services Request for Proposals as per Article 6.10 of the County of Brant Purchasing Policy (By-law 271-04):

Criteria	Weighting
a) Company profile and experience	20%
b) Resumes of individual(s) responsible for County account including background, education and experience	20%
c) References	15%
d) Summary of Costs	30%
e) Presentation and interview process	15%

2. That the Council of the County of Brant support the resolution from the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus petitioning the Province of Ontario to provide compensating revenue to the municipalities of Ontario that have been negatively impacted by the transition from the Farm Tax Rebate Program to the agricultural property tax rate reduction program.
3. That the Council of the County of Brant support the resolution from the Town of Amherstburg requesting the Province of Ontario to provide the immediate necessary funding to Ontario Municipalities to finance the costs of the mandated lead testing for municipal drinking water.
4. Whereas a number of issues have been raised by Taxi operators within the County of Brant;

And whereas the County has received input from the stakeholders, neighbouring municipalities and Legal Counsel;

Now therefore it is recommended that the County of Brant Taxi Licensing By-law be amended as follows:

- a. That the County of Brant implement a Population Ratio system to determine the number of taxi plates that are to be made available;
- b. That the issuance of taxi cab plates be based on a ratio of 1 plate per 2,250 population based on the most recent population figures published on the Statistics Canada website, being 34,415 for 2006, resulting in the issuance of three (3) additional plates;
- c. That of the three additional plates proposed, two (2) be standard taxi-cab plates and one (1) be an accessible taxi-cab plate;

- d. That with the exception of any taxicab plates already issued on the date of enactment, taxicab plates are not transferable;
 - e. That the three (3) additional taxicab plates be for County wide use;
 - f. That the County adopt a meter system and establish a meter rate of \$2.75 plus \$1.50 / km;
 - g. That the meter system and proposed meter rate be implemented on a County-wide basis;
 - h. That the definition of continuously operate be amended to require that each vehicle be required to operate a minimum of 5 shifts weekly, and be available for service for a minimum of 40 hours weekly and that during this required period, 75% of all conveyances are for passenger conveyances subject to regulation under the by-law; and
 - i. That the Taxi By-law be amended to prohibit any Licensed Broker from controlling more than 67 percent of the taxicab plates available unless at the time of issuance there are no names appearing on the Priority List.
5. That the attached Enforcement Policy to govern the administration and enforcement of County of Brant municipal regulatory by-laws be approved.
 6. That consideration of the request from the Burford Co-operative Pre-school Corporation to finance renovations to 120 King Street at an estimated amount of \$13,400.00 be deferred until the completion of the Property Management Plan;

That consideration of the request to renew the lease of 120 King Street for a 10-year term be deferred until the completion of the Property Management Plan;

And that the County of Brant offer to renew the lease with the Burford Co-operative Pre-school Corporation for a one-year term, at the monthly rental fee of \$500 and on the same terms and conditions.

7. That staff report CD-08-48, Endorsement of South Central Ontario Region (SCOR) Action Plan be received as information;

That County Council endorse the resolution prepared by the Mayors and Wardens in Delhi on February 22, 2008, namely:

“Whereas representatives of municipalities in Brant, Elgin, Middlesex, Norfolk and Oxford, have been exploring a regional partnership over the past year to develop community transition strategies for the economic growth and diversification of the region in collaboration with provincial and federal representatives;

Be it therefore resolved that the County of Brant endorse the recommendations as contained in the South Central Ontario Region (SCOR) action plan – as outlined on pages 6 & 7: A. Establish a Regional Partnership; B. Short Term – Strategic Investment Opportunities; C. Long Term Path – Regional Economic Diversification Strategy”;

That the County of Brant provide seed funding of \$5,000.00 towards the initiatives contained therein;

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And that the County of Brant (and municipal staff) provide support to the initiatives within existing staff levels”;

And that staff be directed to find the required funding from the appropriate reserve funds.

8. That Part Lot 2, Concession 2, geographic Township of Oakland, being approximately 0.28 acres be conveyed to 2095749 Ontario Inc. (Sanjay Chopra) at a cost calculated at \$35,000 per acre for an estimated price of \$9,800.00;

That the Purchaser appoint a solicitor to represent his interest as the purchaser and be responsible for legal costs, costs for preparation of a reference plan and any other costs directly related to the purchase of this property;

And that the aforementioned property be consolidated with the three parcels affected by this conveyance.

9. That the Council of the County of Brant approve a grant of \$150.00 to the St. John's Masonic Lodge No. 82 towards child identification clinics being held on April 5 and 6, 2008.
10. That the Brantford Airport Board be advised that no money was included in the County of Brant 2008 budget for funding for the Brantford Airport;

And that the request for financial support from the Brantford Airport Board be referred to staff for preparation of a report to be considered during the 2009 budget deliberations.

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

That Recommendations 1 – 3 and 5 – 10 of the Corporate Development Committee report from its March 10, 2008 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

Councillor Haggart noted correspondence that had been received from the Paris Senior Citizens Group objecting to the change to taxi meters, and the presentation that had been received at this meeting. In response to a question, the Associate Director of Corporate Services advised that both companies had indicated that they favoured metered rates, but that Grand River Cabs had favoured a flat rate for areas outside of Paris.

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

That Recommendation 4 of the Corporate Development Committee from its March 10, 2008 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

CODE OF CONDUCT

Councillor Gatward presented the following report from the March 3, 2008 meeting of the Code of Conduct Committee:

1. That separate training sessions be arranged for members of Council on the Procedural By-law and on the Code of Conduct once it has received Council approval.

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2. That a special visioning session be arranged for Brant County Council to discuss the long-term corporate goals and objectives of the municipality.

Moved by – Councillor Gatward
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

That the report of the Code of Conduct Committee from its March 3, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT – JOHN NOBLE HOME

Councillor Wheat presented the following report from the March 5, 2008 meeting of the Committee of Management – John Noble Home:

1. That the estimated cost of \$24,000 for the abatement and remediation process for mould removal in the Bell Court Tub Room be funded from the John Noble Home Donations Account.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the report of the Committee of Management – John Noble Home from its March 5, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

STAFF REPORTS

Request to Utilize County Roads and Facilities for the Paris to Ancaster Bicycle Race scheduled for April 20, 2008

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

Whereas a request was submitted on behalf of the organizers and participants of the Paris to Ancaster Bicycle Race to utilize County Roads and Facilities during the annual event scheduled for Sunday April 20, 2008;

And whereas the recommendation sent to Corporate Development Committee dated Monday March 10, 2008 has been amended by eliminating Burt Road due to the closure of the road and the requester has been notified of this route alteration (staff has suggested that Harrisburg Road be utilized instead of Burt Road);

Be it hereby resolved that the County of Brant staff does not object to the use of the following County roads for the Paris to Ancaster Bicycle Race scheduled for April 20, 2008, subject to the event complying with all requirements of Brant County O.P.P.:

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| • Green Lane | • East River Road |
| • McLean School Road | • McPherson School Road |
| • Howell Road | • County Highway 5 |
| • German School Road | • Queen Street |
| • Burlington Street | • Harrisburg Road |

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And that the request for a temporary road closure of Green Lane for the Paris to Ancaster Bicycle Race on April 20, 2008 between 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. be approved;

And that permission be granted to the organizers of the Paris to Ancaster Mountain Bike Race to use Green Lane Park and the South Dumfries Community Centre as start locations for the Bike Race to be held on Sunday, April 20, 2008, subject to appropriate arrangements being entered into with County of Brant staff for use of these facilities.

. Carried

INFORMATION REPORTS

Purchase and Sale of 82 Newport Road and 82 River Road

Don Glassford briefly reviewed his report regarding the additional costs to be included in the \$400,000 maximum amount for the purchase of the properties at 82 Newport Road and 82 River Road. He noted that the Province has provided a time extension to April 30 in order for the County to negotiate an agreement with the two property owners. At the present time, various options are being reviewed for the demolition and/or removal of the buildings on the properties.

Moved by – Councillor Gatward
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the request received from the Cook and Colibaba families regarding the additional costs for permits, legal fees, etc. related to the purchase and sale of the properties located at 82 Newport Road and 82 River Road be referred to County staff;

And that County staff be directed to prepare a further report on this matter for consideration at the April 1, 2008 Council meeting.

. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Copy of letter from Oxford County to Long Point Region Conservation Authority advising that the 2008 budget and levy increase is unacceptable and requesting reconsideration.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the letter to the Long Point Region Conservation Authority from the County of Oxford regarding the 2008 budget and levy increase be received as information.

. Carried

2. Doris Post, President, Paris Senior Citizens re: change to meter fees for taxi companies.

QUESTIONS

1. Mayor Eddy advised that the recommendation on the Part II request for Mile Hill has been delivered to the Minister of the Environment's desk, and a decision should be approved by the Minister in the near future.

2. Mayor Eddy advised that the 10th Anniversary of the Brant Waterways Foundation has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 3. Funds raised from this event will be utilized to develop the TH & B walking trail in the County.

Moved by – Councillor Gatward
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the June 3 Council meeting be rescheduled to Monday, June 2, 2008 to allow attendance at the Brant Waterways Foundation Fundraising event.

. Carried

3. In response to a question, it was noted that a meeting of the County Negotiating Committee would be held prior to the next Council meeting to develop a response to the City on their last position. This response will be considered by County Council prior to being forwarded to the City. It was noted that no reply has been received from the Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal in response to the County's request for the Mediator to participate in the City/County negotiations on the boundary negotiations.

RESOLUTIONS

Earth Hour

Moved by – Councillor Simons
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

Whereas climate change is the biggest environmental threat to our planet and a major concern for Canadians;

And whereas in 2007 Sydney, Australia implemented an "Earth Hour" to encourage residents and businesses to turn off their lights for one hour, resulting in a ten per cent reduction in the electrical grid;

And whereas the World Wildlife Fund has announced an initiative to encourage other cities around the world to participate in Earth Hour 2008;

And whereas at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, 2008, residents around the world are being requested to turn off their lights for one hour to raise awareness about climate change and to symbolize that people working together can make a difference in the fight against global warming;

Be it hereby resolved that the residents of the County of Brant be encouraged to participate in Earth Hour 2008 by turning off their lights for one hour at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, 2008;

And that residents participating in Earth Hour 2008 register their commitment at www.earthhour.org.

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Assignment of KMK Contract to UMA Engineering Ltd.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Chambers

That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to confirm the assignment of KMK's existing projects with the County of Brant to UMA Engineering Ltd. effective March 29, 2008;

And that a new agreement with UMA Engineering Ltd. for the provision of engineering services to the County of Brant be prepared and approved by by-law.

. Carried

Resolution from Grand River Summit

Members of Council discussed a resolution submitted by M.P.P. Dave Levac, as a result of the Grand River Summit held on March 10, 2008.

Moved by – Councillor Chambers
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

Whereas land claims have been submitted to the Canadian Government to settle;

Now therefore be it resolved that the County of Brant, as a participant at the historic Grand River Summit (Brant District), hereby requests that The Crown, in consultation and collaboration with the Province of Ontario, establish a clear timetable for consideration and resolution of land claims and that the matter be treated as one of urgency;

And be it further resolved that others be encouraged to support the participants of the Grand River Summit (Brant District) in these resolutions and that all parties commit to continue to work together to bring this matter to a final resolution;

And be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen, the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, the Federal Minister of Indian Affairs and the Provincial Minister of Aboriginal Affairs.

. Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Information on the Chamber of Commerce Brantford-Brant Mayors' State of the Communities Address to be held on Thursday, April 3.
2. Information and registration on the 2008 AMO Conference to be held in Ottawa from August 24 – 27.
3. Invitation to meeting on the Sandplains Innovation Network Proposal to be held on March 27 at 1:30 p.m. at the Hungarian Hall, Delhi.
4. Invitation to hear urban strategist Glen Murray on April 3 at 7:00 p.m. at the Brantford & District Civic Centre.
5. Information on the Ontario Water Works Association Joint Annual Conference to be held in London from April 27 – 30, 2008.

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6. It was agreed that a Brant County Power Inc. Shareholder meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 25, with another meeting tentatively being scheduled for Monday, April 14.
7. Information on the OSUM Conference to be held April 20 – May 2, 2008 in Collingwood.
8. Councillor Schmitt updated Council on the last meeting of the Brantford Airport Board, noting that the runway upgrades tender is to be let in May and that there has been a good response to the extra hangar space. The Airport Board will be requesting that a County Planning staff member be appointed to serve in an advisory position to the Board.
9. In response to comments that have been made to him regarding the twin pad arena project, Councillor Schmitt reiterated that all members of Council should be basing their decisions on a County-wide basis, not just based on their particular ward.

In Camera at 8:30 p.m. to discuss legal, personal and property negotiation matters, on a motion of Councillors Haggart and Powell.

This portion of the meeting is recorded in the In Camera – Confidential Brant County Council minutes dated March 18, 2008.

Open Session at 9:30 p.m., on motion of Councillors Schmitt and Hodge.

CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the In Camera report of the Corporate Development Committee from its March 10, 2008 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

BY-LAWS

The Clerk advised that the two by-laws related to Phase 2 of the Royal Highlands subdivision had been withdrawn at the developer's request, and the other by-laws were renumbered accordingly. Due to further information being required regarding the agreement with the Province for the Newport lands, By-law Number 48-08 was also withdrawn.

Moved by – Councillor Powell
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

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

- By-law Number 43-08 to authorize an Encroachment Agreement with Darryl Philip Rosebrugh for lands at 9 - 9½ William Street, Paris.
- By-law Number 44-08 to amend Parking By-law Number 164-01 (Powerline Road between KingGeorge Road and Balmoral Drive).
- By-law Number 45-08 to amend County of Brant Water By-law Number 116-06 (external watering).

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- By-law Number 46-08 to authorize a Memorandum of Agreement between Mark Courtnage, Betty Courtnage, Lloyd McLellan and the County of Brant to reappportion the drainage assessment pertaining to the Hodge Branch of the McCormack/Meadows Drain.
- By-law Number 47-08 to license, regulate and govern owners and drivers of taxicabs and taxicab brokers and to prohibit the carrying on of or engaging in these occupations and businesses without a license.
- ~~(Withdrawn) By law Number 48-08 to authorize a Grant Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the purchase of two properties in Newport which have partially subsided into the Grand River embankment.~~
- By-law Number 49-08 to authorize an Amending Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services on behalf of the Ontario Provincial Police, the City of Brantford and the County of Brant for the provision of 9-1-1 C.E.R.B. Services.
- By-law Number 50-08 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

. Carried

It was agreed that By-law 45-08 would be considered separately during second reading.

Moved by – Councillor Powell

Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

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

- By-law Number 43-08 to authorize an Encroachment Agreement with Darryl Philip Rosebrugh for lands at 9 - 9½ William Street, Paris.
- By-law Number 44-08 to amend Parking By-law Number 164-01 (Powerline Road between King George Road and Balmoral Drive).
- By-law Number 46-08 to authorize a Memorandum of Agreement between Mark Courtnage, Betty Courtnage, Lloyd McLellan and the County of Brant to reappportion the drainage assessment pertaining to the Hodge Branch of the McCormack/Meadows Drain.
- By-law Number 47-08 to license, regulate and govern owners and drivers of taxicabs and taxicab brokers and to prohibit the carrying on of or engaging in these occupations and businesses without a license.
- ~~Withdrawn By law Number 48-08 to authorize a Grant Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the purchase of two properties in Newport which have partially subsided into the Grand River embankment.~~
- By-law Number 49-08 to authorize an Amending Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services on behalf of the Ontario Provincial Police, the City of Brantford and the County of Brant for the provision of 9-1-1 C.E.R.B. Services.
- By-law Number 50-08 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

. Carried

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Moved by – Councillor Powell
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That By-law Number 45-08 to amend County of Brant Water By-law Number 116-06 (external watering) be now read a second time and clauses and preamble be adopted.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Powell
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

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

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. Carried

NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m. to meet again on **Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers, Paris.

Mayor

Date Minutes Approved

Clerk