

COUNTY OF BRANT COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chambers, Paris
 April 15, 2008
 6:20 p.m.

Present: Mayor Eddy, Councillors Wheat, Schmitt, Haggart, Simons (7:00 p.m.), Atfield, Powell, Hodge, Coleman (7:00 p.m.) and Gatward (7:00 p.m.)

Regrets: Councillor Chambers

Staff: Fiebig (7:00 p.m.), Glassford (7:00 p.m.), Compeau (7:00 p.m.), Johnston (7:00 p.m.), Underwood, Bell, Atkinson, Ellins, Murphy, Trevitt (7:10 p.m.) and Carman.

Mayor Eddy in the Chair.

PARKS AND RECREATION VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS CEREMONY

Lesley Atkinson, Recreation Programs Manager, and Mayor Eddy presented certificates and awards to the following Parks and Recreation volunteers who have achieved one year of service to the County in various programs:

David Prime	Basketball
Brandon Bax	Basketball
Kate McChesney	Basketball
Andrew Wing	Basketball
Kelsey Neate	Gymnastics

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. for a reception and reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt
 Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the Brant County Council agenda and addendum for the April 15, 2008 meeting be approved as distributed, with the following additions:

- Report on “Bite of Brant”
- Report on meeting with the Provincial Negotiator on lands claims issues

. Carried

DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS:**County of Brant Public Library Board – 2007 Annual Report**

Larry Stewart, Chair, presented the 2007 Annual Report of the County of Brant Public Library Board, noting that this is the first Annual Report prepared by the Library. Statistics on the Burford Library usage were distributed. Council requested that usage statistics be provided in future years for all library branches within the County. In response to questions, Mr. Stewart advised that surplus funds from the Burford Library project will be used to purchase books and complete the final items associated with the building project. Mr. Stewart pointed out that over \$50,000 was raised by the Burford community for this project, and an additional bequest of \$25,000 has been received from the Estate of Frances McMichael to be used specifically for the Burford Library.

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It was suggested that the Library Board continue to pressure the City of Brantford Library Board to participate in the reciprocal library program.

Energy+ - Acquisition of Brant County Power

John Groetheer, President, advised that Energy+ services 49,000 urban and rural customers in the City of Cambridge and the Township of North Dumfries. He referred to their vision statement and mission statement, and outlined the current conditions that are causing consolidations of energy distribution companies. Mr. Groetheer suggested that Council consider selling or merging Brant County Power with another local distribution company, noting that status quo was not a viable option. The following aspects should be taken into account when reviewing the options – the end of the transfer tax holiday in October 2008, rates, regulatory burden and complexities, the need for secure, suitable long-term benefits for shareholders and/or ratepayers, and the actual value of the assets. Mr. Groetheer encouraged Council to consider the sale of Brant County Power to Energy+ because of their guiding principles, their location adjacent to the County of Brant, their strong financial position and their understanding of the needs of the area. He requested the opportunity to enter into exclusive negotiations with the Shareholder and/or the Board of Brant County Power to complete the acquisition of the utility company.

In response to a question, Mr. Groetheer advised that the selling price would be dependent on the financial value of the company, the technical condition of the facilities, and any environmental issues that may affect the price.

Moved by – Councillor Gatward
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the presentation from Energy+ regarding the sale of Brant County Power be received and referred to Brant County Power Inc. for their information.

. Carried

First Impressions Community Exchange Program

Ron Hansen presented a video on the First Impressions Community Exchange Program offered by the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. A Volunteer Visiting Team comprised of Paris residents has been established to carry out an assessment of various aspects of Fergus, such as downtown, industrial areas, tourist attractions, residential areas, retail businesses, etc. In return, a Volunteer Visiting Team from Fergus will visit Paris and carry out a similar assessment. Once the assessments have been completed, a report is made by the Visiting Team to the Host Community Team. This report forms the basis for positive community action in the form of community planning, strategic planning and revitalization, as well as building a stronger relationship between the two communities.

Mr. Hansen distributed a list of the members of the Paris First Impressions Community Exchange Committee, noting that Doris Post has agreed to act as Co-ordinator for the Committee. He explained that the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs covers the costs of the materials for the team, and that there is no cost to the County for this program.

It was agreed that the report on the First Impressions Community Exchange Program would be considered later in the meeting.

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Burford Revitalization Committee – Potential Funding Partnerships

Dale Weatherbee, on behalf of the Burford Revitalization Committee, presented a proposal for 75 flags, 10 benches and 8 flower pots to beautify and improve the Burford downtown area. He requested that Council consider contributing one half of the \$11,848.25 costs for these enhancements.

In response to questions, Mr. Weatherbee advised that fundraising was underway by the Burford Revitalization Committee for this project, including the “Buy a Flag” campaign. Each of the benches will honour a volunteer service organization that has contributed to the community. The store owners will be responsible for maintaining the flower pots, and an offer has been received to erect the flags on hydro poles throughout the village. It was suggested that the Revitalization Committee should consider establishing a BIA for the downtown area, as well as participating in the First Impressions Community Exchange Program.

Moved by – Councillor Hodge
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

That the request from the Burford Revitalization Committee for a grant of \$6,000 towards their downtown beautification proposal be referred to the May meeting of the Corporate Development Committee for consideration.

. Carried

Cedar Street Reconstruction Project

Dana Blackman, who lives at 46 Cedar Street, objected to the costs to the County taxpayers and to the Cedar Street property owners for the proposed sewer and watermain reconstruction work on Cedar Street. He advised that the majority of residents do not want or need sanitary sewers.

Linda Schott, who lives at 56 Cedar Street, distributed a survey completed by most of the residents on Cedar Street. The survey results indicate that the majority of the residents do not want the watermain upgraded, the road widened or the sanitary sewers installed. The residents are concerned about the cost of the proposed work and the damage to the trees on the street that will result from the work being done. Although the residents are not in favour of either Option 1 or 2, they are willing to consider an alternative option that would upgrade the watermain only with installation on the west road allowance. Mrs. Schott also presented a list of questions that she requested clarification on.

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the presentations by residents of Cedar Street be referred for discussion during consideration of the Public Works Committee report.

. Carried

Taxi Meters

Shawn Pratt, Grand River Cabs, advised that he had received a letter from the County on April 11 requiring him to install meters in his cabs by May 2. Due to the difficulty in purchasing and installing meters in such a short time span, Mr. Pratt requested a two-month extension to the taxi meter compliance requirement.

In response to questions, Mr. Pratt advised that when he was asked by County staff about meters, he advised that he only favoured the use of meters within Paris, and would prefer to use a flat rate in Paris, as well as a reduced rate for seniors.

It was agreed that Mr. Pratt's request for a two-month extension of the taxi meter implementation date would be referred to "Other Business" for consideration.

MINUTES

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

That the minutes of the April 1, 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. **Appointees to the Syl Apps Community Centre Ad Hoc Committee** – Councillors Haggart and Powell and staff member Darin Ayres have indicated an interest to serve on this Committee. It was agreed that the Council appointments to the Committee would be considered later in the meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the following Consent Information Report items be received:

1. Decisions from the March 27 Committee of Adjustment meeting.
2. Applications to be heard at the April 24 Committee of Adjustment meeting.
3. 2007 Reconciled O.P.P. Contract Policing Costs. **In response to questions, the C.A.O. advised that an amount was included in the 2007 budget to account for an anticipated surplus. Any amount in excess of this budgeted amount will be used towards the final 2007 surplus/deficit amount.**
4. Notice of joint County of Brant Heritage Committee/Cambridge Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee Workshop to be held on Wednesday, May 7 on "Energy Conservation and a Heritage Home".

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the following Consent Communications items be received:

1. AMO Member Communications:
 - a. Municipal Infrastructure Funding – Building Canada Fund
 - b. Waste Electronic and Electrical Equipment (WEEE) Program Plan
 - c. Information on Large Urban Conference to be held in Windsor on May 12 and 13.

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2. Hon. David Caplan, Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal – advising that County's request for a Facilitator for the City/County Negotiations is being considered.
3. Media release from the Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers' Marketing Board "No Funding for Tobacco Farmers" and subsequent letters to Federal and Provincial Ministers of Agriculture.
4. Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal – Release of two documents related to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2006.
5. Ontario Heritage Trust – Information on 2008 Heritage Community Recognition program (has been referred to the Brant Heritage Committee).
6. Statement made in the Legislature by Hamilton Centre MPP Andrea Horwath on the need for sustainable municipal funding with respect to downloaded Provincial costs.
7. OMERS – 2007 Annual Report.
8. Ontario Power Authority – Issues Decision for Phase 1 of the Integrated Power System Plan and Procurement Process and Notice of application for Phase 2.
9. Notification of Ontario Family Fishing Weekend from July 4 – 6 and request for County to declare this date.
10. Canada Post – information on the 2008 Canada Post Community Literacy Award.
11. Stantec Consulting – Notice of Public Information Centres to be held on Hagersville and Dunnville Master Servicing Study.
12. City of Hamilton – Notice of Completion of Phases 3 and 4 of the Class EA for the Woodward Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant Service Area.
13. Thank you letters for County of Brant/Wilfrid Laurier University Scholarships from Joanne Baldwin and Erin Bodyk.
14. Minutes of Meetings:
 - a. Brant County Power Services Inc. – February 12, 2008.
 - b. Brant County Power Inc. – March 12, 2008.
 - c. Grand River Conservation Authority – February 12, 2008.
 - d. Long Point Region Conservation Authority – March 13, 2008
 - e. Paris BIA – March 11, 2008
15. Phil McNeely, Parliamentary Assistant, Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal re: presentation at OGRA conference.
16. AMO – Reminder about due date for Expressions of Interest for AMO Climate Change Task Force.
17. M.P.P. Dave Levac – information on Municipal Eco Challenge Fund to help municipalities with infrastructure costs for projects that conserve energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
18. Notice from TSH that they are merging with AECOM Technology Corp.

. Carried

PUBLIC WORKS

Councillor Coleman presented the following report from the April 8, 2008 meeting of the Public Works Committee, it being agreed that Recommendations 1 and 13 would be dealt with separately:

1. That the County of Brant accept Option 2 – Watermain Replacement and Sanitary Sewer Installation for the Cedar Street Reconstruction Project, as presented by Trow Associates at the April 8, 2008 Public Works Committee meeting.

2. That the County of Brant does not object to the use of the closed section of Burt Road for the Paris to Ancaster Bicycle Race on Sunday, April 20, 2008, subject to County staff being satisfied of the following:
- Safety precautions related to the use of the closed road and bridge have been taken;
 - Any extraordinary costs related to the use of the closed road and bridge are to be borne by the event organizers; and
 - Insurance requirements are met.

3. Whereas quotation results have been received for 2 (two) ½ Ton 2WD Standard Cab Pickup Trucks, 1 (one) ¾ Ton Heavy Duty 4WD Standard Cab Pickup Truck and 1 (one) ¾ Ton Heavy Duty 2WD Standard Cab Pickup Truck;

Be it hereby resolved that FQ 1-08 "Purchase of 2 (two) ½ Ton 2WD Standard Cab Pickup Trucks" be awarded to Forbes Bros. Inc., Brantford at the quoted price of \$19,256.00 each (plus taxes), this being the only bid received;

And that FQ 2-08 "Purchase of 1 (one) ¾ Ton Heavy Duty 4WD Standard Cab Pickup Truck be awarded to Forbes Bros. Inc., Brantford at the quoted price of \$28,548.00 (plus taxes), this being the only bid received;

And that FQ 3-08 "Purchase of 1 (one) ¾ Ton Heavy Duty 2WD Standard Cab Pickup Truck be awarded to Forbes Bros. Inc., Brantford at the quoted price of \$24,938.00 (plus taxes), this being the only bid received.

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

Be it hereby resolved that RFP 3-08 "Consultant Services for M. Sharpe Pumping Station and Reservoir Upgrades" be awarded to Gamsby and Mannerow Ltd. for the quoted price of \$356,967.00 (excluding GST).

5. Whereas there are sufficient funds in the 2008 budget in "Bridges" to complete the project;

And whereas funds will be allocated in future operational budgets to cover the costs for year two and year three of the quotation;

Be it hereby resolved that Quote RDT 6-08 "Washing of Bridges, Culverts and Retaining Walls" be awarded to Wessuc Inc. for the three year quoted price of \$70,701.12 including all taxes.

6. Whereas there are sufficient funds in the 2008 budget in "Dust Layer" to complete the project;

And whereas funds will be allocated in future operational budgets to cover the costs for year two and year three of the tender;

Be it hereby resolved that Tender RDT 4-08 "Supply and Apply Chloride Based Liquids for Dust Suppression" be awarded to Da-Lee Dust Control Ltd. for the three year tendered price of \$651,105.00, including all taxes.

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7. Whereas sufficient work has been completed at the Willow Street Sewage Pumping Station;

Be it hereby resolved that Policy No. PWE-2003-02 "Interim Servicing Policy – Willow Street Pumping Station" be rescinded.

8. Whereas a request has been received from the consulting engineer for the developer of the Tuczynski Subdivision for the exchange of Block 11 (a portion of the unopened road allowance lands between the former Townships of Brantford and Oakland) and Block 12 (lands owned by the developer of the Tuczynski Subdivision);

And whereas the ownership of Block 12 by the County will assist in any potential future re-alignment of the intersection of Mt. Pleasant Road and CKPC Road;

Be it hereby resolved that the request from the consulting engineer for the developer of the Tuczynski Subdivision for the exchange of Block 11 for Block 12 be approved with the following conditions:

- That the road allowance lands described as Block 11 on the Draft Plan of Subdivision for the Tuczynski Subdivision be declared as surplus lands and closed by by-law;
- That Block 12 be conveyed to the County free from all encumbrances and at no cost to the County; and
- That all costs associated with the closing by by-law of the road allowance lands identified as Block 11 and the exchange of Block 11 (owned by the County) for Block 12 (owned by the developer of the Tuczynski Subdivision) be borne by the developer of the Tuczynski Subdivision;

And that the Tuczynski Subdivision Draft Plan Conditions include language with regards to the exchange of Block 11 for Block 12.

9. Whereas the chamber housing the water meter for the service to the house at 185 Tutela Heights Road requires repair;

And whereas available documentation does not clearly define ownership and responsibility for the chamber;

And whereas the property owner presents reasonable rationale as to why it is the County's, not his responsibility to maintain the chamber;

And whereas there is no apparent need for the chamber as the meter can reasonably be installed in the house;

Be it hereby resolved that the meter chamber be demolished and the meter be installed in the house;

And that the work be funded from the Water Operations Budget.

10. Whereas it was resolved at County Council on March 4, 2008 that the installation of sidewalks on Dundas Street East from Curtis Avenue to Willow Street be tabled and referred to Public Works for preparation of a report;

Be it hereby resolved that sidewalks be installed on Dundas Street East (north side of the roadway) from Willow Street to Curtis Avenue North;

And that funding for the sidewalk installation, including all other necessary work as described above be referred to 2009 budget deliberations.

11. Whereas concerns were raised with respect to motorists parking their vehicles too close to the community mail boxes located on the east side of Hanlon Place, just north of Weston Street, creating difficulties in mail delivery and pick up and the current Parking By-law does not reflect the existing posted signage on Hanlon Place;

And whereas motorists are currently allowed to park their vehicles in front of the community mail boxes on the east side of Hanlon Place, from noon on the 16th day of each month to noon on the last day of each month;

Be it hereby resolved that Parking By-law Number 164-01 be amended in order to install the following parking restrictions on Hanlon Place at an estimated cost of \$300.00:

- “No Parking” signs from Weston Street to a point 35m north of Weston Street on the east side of Hanlon Place (Schedule 3 – Parking Prohibited Anytime);
- “No Parking” signs from King Edward Street to a point 160m south of King Edward Street on the east side of Hanlon Place (Schedule 3 – Parking Prohibited Anytime); and
- “Alternate Parking” signs (noon on the 16th day of each month to noon on the last day of each month) from a point 160m south of King Edward Street to a point 35m north of Weston Street on the east side of Hanlon Place (Schedule 5 – Parking Restricted – Time Limited).

12. Whereas a request was submitted for the implementation of several traffic control measures in the vicinity of the Muir Road South and Harley Road intersection within the jurisdiction of the County of Brant, the County of Oxford and the Township of Norwich;

And whereas staff’s response will only make reference to the traffic control suggestions that are within the County of Brant’s jurisdiction;

And whereas staff has implemented the installation and maintenance work on Muir Road regarding a number of the requested traffic control concerns at an estimated cost of \$400.00;

Be it hereby resolved that the request for additional “stop ahead” signs on Muir Road South be denied;

That staff proceed with the relocation of the existing “stop ahead” sign on Muir Road south to provide improved advanced warning of the intersection;

That a speed limit reduction to 60km/h on Muir Road South for approximately 500m north of Harley Road be approved;

And that the appropriate by-law amendment be prepared.

13. That the County of Brant cover the outstanding cost for asphalt removal and replacement works at the Brant Bowstring Bridge in the amount of approximately \$10,000;

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And that staff be directed to forward a letter to G.D. Jewell Engineering expressing the County's disappointment that they would not assume responsibility for 50% of the costs of this work.

14. That notwithstanding the County of Brant Purchasing By-law (By-law 271-04), the County of Brant accept the Surface Treating Proposal 2008/2009 submitted by Cornell Construction, dated April 7, 2008.
15. Whereas \$750,000 was included in the 2008 Capital Budget for construction works on County Highway 54 (No. 6 School Road towards Six Nations);

And whereas the County was granted funding under the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative program to allow these works to proceed;

Be it hereby resolved that funds allocated for County Highway 54 in the 2008 budget be reallocated to expedite the completion of the Colborne Street East construction project from County Road 18 to Jerseyville Road.

16. Whereas Gamsby Mannerow has successfully undertaken the design and tender preparation for the Westbrook Train Bridge;

And whereas there are sufficient funds in the approved capital budget;

Be it hereby resolved that the contract administration for the Westbrook Train Bridge Rehabilitation be awarded to Gamsby Mannerow Limited in accordance with their quote dated April 3, 2008 in the amount of \$68,450.00.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That Recommendations 2 – 12, 14 and 15 of the Public Works Committee report from its April 8, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That Recommendation 13 of the Public Works Committee report from its April 8, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

The members of Council discussed Recommendation 1 of the report to approve the watermain replacement and installation of sanitary sewers on Cedar Street. In response to questions, staff advised that Cedar Street was within the urban settlement boundary, and as such would be subject to infilling as set out in the Provincial Planning Policies. There is a need to upgrade the watermain to ensure adequate water supply for fire protection purposes. The property owners are required to pay for the sanitary sewer installation work based on their frontage. The Director of Public Works pointed out that there are other options that may be considered as to when the property owners would be required to pay the costs for the sanitary sewer installation.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That Recommendation 1 of the Public Works Committee report from its April 8, 2008 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Haggart presented the following report from the April 7, 2008 meeting of the Corporate Development Committee:

1. That the by-law confirming all tax ratios and tax reductions for specific property types be approved.
2. That the by-law for optional tools for administering limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes be approved;

And that the by-law for optional tools for eligible properties within Section 331 (New Construction) for Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential property classes be approved;

3. That County staff be directed to construct a resolution similar to the City of St. Catharines requesting the Federal Government consider changes to Bill C-22 to ensure the fair and equitable representation by population in the House of Commons for Ontarians.
4. That the County of Brant support the resolution from the City of Ottawa requesting that the Province of Ontario pay a proportional share of Municipal Property Assessment Corporation costs related to education property taxes.
5. Whereas via a February 27, 2008 letter, the Grand River Conservation Authority, on behalf of the Lake Erie Source Protection Region, has requested a response to four specific questions related to preparation of a Terms of Reference for developing Source Protection Plans;

And whereas since County staff has to date led the technical work to inventory and assess threats and risks to water quality and quantity without funding for staff resources because it has been more efficient to do so, a majority of the work requiring local knowledge and access to resources is complete and can now be led as efficiently by the Grand River Conservation Authority who are likely to receive funding from the Province;

And whereas the Province is advising municipalities to postpone formal consideration of elevating other drinking water systems into the scope of source protection planning until regulations and guidance has been issued and understood;

And whereas the County is not contemplating decommissioning any municipal residential water systems or wells within the next five years;

And whereas there are no new planned municipal residential drinking water systems in the County that meet the requirements to be addressed in the source protection plan;

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Be it hereby resolved that staff be directed to advise the Grand River Conservation Authority that the County:

- a. Will exercise its first right-of-refusal to take the lead role in future components of source protection technical and planning work within the County and will ask the Grand River Conservation Authority to take the lead role as provided by regulation;
- b. Will postpone formal consideration of elevating other drinking water systems into the scope of source protection planning until regulations and guidance have been received from the Ministry of Environment;
- c. Is not contemplating decommissioning any municipal residential water systems or wells in the next five years; and
- d. Has no new municipal residential drinking water systems that meet the requirements to be addressed in the Source Protection Plan; however, ongoing work may identify some in the future;

And that the County will review its position on these matters as the Province rolls out new regulations and Director's Guidance applicable to these matters.

6. That the revised Sign By-law, with the deletion of Section 5.2, be approved;

And that the Clerk be authorized to provide public notice of Council's intention to consider the adoption of the Comprehensive Sign By-Law as part of a regularly scheduled Council meeting.

7. Whereas PWE-2003-05 "Paris Interim Water Servicing Policy" was implemented to ensure that the municipal water supply system could satisfy demand resulting from approved new development while maintaining the existing level of service to current consumers;

And whereas completed and soon to be completed projects will result in additional capacity of the water supply system such that it will satisfy the maximum day demand resulting from current approved development as allowed by PWE-2003-05 and restrictions imposed as a result of the policy with some capacity to spare that could be allocated to new development;

And whereas it is desirable to optimize the use of available water supply and prevent hoarding of allocated water capacity;

And whereas sunset conditions of current Development Charges By-law result in it being timely for the Development Charges to be reviewed;

Be it hereby resolved that PWE-2003-05 "Paris Interim Water Servicing Policy" be amended to allow development of single family dwellings (single detached or semi-detached) on the estimated twenty residential lots of record that exist as of this date;

That staff be directed to develop a policy for the administration of water supply capacity allocated to new development;

And that staff be authorized to procure a workplan, budget and schedule from C.N. Watson and Associates Ltd. to update the Development Charges by-laws.

8. That the following 2008 grants be approved:
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| Paris Museum and Historical Society | \$32,500 |
| South Dumfries Historical Society | \$3,500 |
| Salt Springs Church Heritage Society | \$1,000 |
| Ontario Genealogical Society of Brant | \$3,000 |
| Brant Historical Society | <u>\$28,400</u> |
| Total | \$68,400 |
9. That the request from the Paris Historical Society for inclusion of the hard costs (rental, utilities, etc.) for their facility as a line item in the County budget be referred to the 2009 Budget deliberations for consideration.
10. That official "No Parking" signs be posted to adequately identify the canoe drop off / pick up area located on municipal property identified on the assessment roll as Roll #018-005-13300-0000, to enable enforcement of Section 25 of the County of Brant Parking By-law 164-01, which prohibits parking on municipal property without the consent of the County;

And that parking be permitted in the existing 21 space parking area.

11. Whereas there are sufficient funds in the approved Capital Budget;

Be it hereby resolved that the engineering services proposal for the design of the Phase 2 Southwest Paris Infrastructure submitted by UMA / AECOM (KMK Consultants Ltd.) dated March 12, 2008 be accepted at cost of \$135,000.00, excluding taxes.

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the report of the Corporate Development Committee from its April 7, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

CODE OF CONDUCT SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Gatward presented the following report from the April 9, 2008 meeting of the Code of Conduct Sub-Committee:

1. That a training session for members of Council on the County of Brant procedural by-law be held on Saturday, May 3, 2008 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at the Council Chambers;

And that arrangements be made to have Rick O'Connor, Solicitor for the City of Ottawa, conduct this training session.

Moved by – Councillor Gatward
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

That the report of the Code of Conduct Sub-Committee from its April 9, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

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It was agreed that the Code of Conduct Sub-committee would review questions raised on the following matters:

- is the following statement enforceable - "Every member will respect the decisions of Council and Committees and support Council decisions once made".
- concern that enforcement decisions made by Council are not appealable
- clarification that complaints can be made by a member of Council or a member of the public

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT JOHN NOBLE HOME

Councillor Wheat presented the following report from the April 2, 2008 meeting of the Committee of Management John Noble Home:

1. That the tender of Futuremed Health Care Products for the provision of Continence Products and Services for the John Noble Home, at a cost of \$1.20 per resident per day (which is the funding allocation from the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care), be approved.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat

Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the report of the Committee of Management John Noble Home from its April 2, 2008 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

TWIN PAD BUILDING COMMITTEE

Moved by – Councillor Coleman

Seconded by – Councillor Wheat

That the Twin Pad Building Committee minutes of April 3, 2008 be received as information.

.Carried

Questions from Councillor Simons regarding this project were given to the Community Services Director to be considered by the Twin Pad Building Committee.

EMERGENCY SERVICES- MASTER FIRE PLAN

Moved by – Councillor Wheat

Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the Emergency Services Committee – Master Fire Plan minutes from its March 27, 2008 meeting be received as information.

.Carried

INFORMATION REPORTS

1. Councillor Powell noted the success of the "Bite of Brant" educational program for Gr. 5 students held on April 9 and 10 at the Burford Fairgrounds. Appreciation was extended to the many volunteers who participated in this program.
2. Mayor Eddy reported on a meeting of the Municipal/Grand River Conservation Authority Advisory Group held last week. Murray Coolican, Chief Provincial Negotiator, advised that he had presented an interim proposal for peace to the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council at their April 5 meeting. The proposal is that no development take place for two years in an area to be determined. At this time, there is no proposal for the municipalities to consider.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Request from the St. George Citizens Association to reconsider the planned move of the St. George Customer Service Office from its present location to the South Dumfries Community Centre.

Moved by – Councillor Wheat
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That the correspondence from the St. George Citizens Association requesting reconsideration of the move of the St. George Customer Service office from its current location be received as information.

. Carried

2. Larry Clay, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Provincial Grant Agreement for the Newport properties.

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the Provincial Grant Agreement for the Newport properties be referred to County staff to provide the information as requested.

. Carried

QUESTIONS

1. In response to a question, it was agreed that a special meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee would be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 28 to meet with Marshall Macklin Monaghan on the Five-Year Official Plan Review. The Director of Development Services advised that he planned to distribute an Issues and Options paper on the Review at the April 16 Planning Advisory meeting for consideration at the special meeting to be held on April 28.
2. It was noted that Zitia Developments has appealed the court decision regarding their property at 2 Grand River Street South, and an appeal hearing has been set for September. Any action required as a result of the initial court decision is stayed until the appeal is heard.

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FIRST IMPRESSIONS COMMUNITY EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the Council of the County of Brant extend its support to the First Impressions Community Exchange Program between the communities of Paris and Fergus;

And that Mayor Eddy write a letter to the Paris First Impressions Committee advising of Council's support for their involvement in this program.

. Carried

SYL APPS COMMUNITY CENTRE AD HOC COMMITTEE

Moved by – Councillor Haggart
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That Councillors Simons, Haggart, Powell and Atfield be appointed as the Council representatives on the Syl Apps Community Centre Ad Hoc Committee.

. Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Information on AMO Conference.
2. **Taxi Cab Meters**

Moved by – Councillor Gatward
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the compliance date for installation of meters in taxis be extended by two months to July 2, 2008.

. Carried

In response to a question, the Associate Director of Corporate Services advised that the person who is listed on the priority list for the one available owner plate has thirty days in which to submit their interest in obtaining this plate.

In Camera at 10:00 p.m. to discuss legal matters and matters about an identifiable individuals, on motion of Councillors Hodge and Powell.

This portion of the meeting is recorded in the In Camera – Confidential Brant County Council minutes dated April 15, 2008.

Open Session at 11:07 p.m., on motion of Councillors Coleman and Wheat.

PUBLIC WORKS

Moved by – Councillor Coleman
Seconded by – Councillor Gatward

That the In Camera report of the Public Works Committee from its April 8, 2008 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

BY-LAWS

Moved by – Councillor Hodge
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

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

- By-law Number 60-08 to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for eligible properties within the meaning of Section 331 (new construction) for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential property classes.
- By-law Number 61-08 to provide for tax policies for 2008 and to repeal By-law Number 89-07.
- By-law Number 62-08 to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential property classes.
- By-law Number 63-08 to amend By-law Number 110-01 for property located in Part of Lot 10, Concession 1, geographic Township of Brantford to permit a variety of commercial uses on a single lot under common ownership (Zitia Developments, Rest Acres Road – OMB Order).
- By-law Number 64-08 to amend By-law Number 110-01 for property located in Lots 39 to 55 inclusive, and Part of Lot 38, west of Mill Race, Lots 1 to 10 inclusive, west of Elm Street, Part of Elm Street, Part of the Mill Race and lot 1, Block 57, R.P. 492, former Town of Paris to permit development of residential uses (Mayberry Homes by Design, 80 Willow Street – OMB Order).
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- By-law Number 67-08 to receive funding from the Ministry of Transportation under the 2008 Municipal Road and Bridge Infrastructure Investment Program, and to approve the expenditure of funds on eligible projects.
- By-law Number 68-08 to amend By-law Number 281-03 to require owners of buildings or any class or classes of buildings within the municipality to connect such building or class or classes of buildings to the sewage works or water works of the municipality (exception for 125 Mile Hill Road).
- By-law Number 69-08 to abandon Part of Branch 4 of the Harley Municipal Drain.
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- By-law Number 72-08 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Hodge
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

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

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. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Hodge
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

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 11:15 p.m. to meet again on **Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers, Paris.

Mayor

Date Minutes Approved

Clerk