

**COUNTY OF BRANT COUNCIL MINUTES**

Council Chambers, Paris  
February 2, 2010  
7:00 p.m.

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

**Regrets:** Councillors Wheat and Gatward.

**Staff:** Glassford, Compeau, Johnston, Bell, Stevenson, Longeway, Papple and Carman.

Mayor Eddy in the Chair.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by – Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That the Brant County Council agenda for the February 2, 2010 meeting be approved as circulated, with the addition of two resolutions.

. Carried

**DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS****Certificate of Recognition**

David Johnston, Director of Development Services, advised that Lynn Balfour has served on the Board of Directors for Ontario Building Officials Association for a number of years, and has just completed a two-year term as President of the Association. He recognized her contributions to the Ontario Building Officials Association and her input on changes to the Ontario Building Code over her years of service.

Lynn Balfour, Chief Building Official, presented Mayor Eddy with a certificate from the Ontario Building Officials Association to formally recognize Council and County staff's support over the two years she served as President of the Association. Mayor Eddy thanked Ms. Balfour for her dedication and commitment during her leadership of the Association.

**CMM III Emergency Medical Services Executive Designation**

Charles Longeway, Manager of Brant County Ambulance, advised that the award being presented to Randy Papple is the highest honour awarded through the Ontario Municipal Management Institute, recognizing his hard work and dedication to emergency medical services and the community.

Mayor Eddy presented Randy Papple, Duty Manager – Operations, Brant County Ambulance, with a certificate awarding him the CMM III Emergency Medical Services Executive Designation.

### **Green Municipal Fund Grant**

M.P. Phil McColeman and Marguerite Ceschi-Smith, FCM Board Member, presented the County with a cheque in the amount of \$4,324,787, representing a loan and grant from the Green Municipal Fund to assist with upgrades to the Mount Pleasant Water Supply to improve the quality and safety of the drinking water and reduce water loss. Ms. Ceschi-Smith urged Brant County Council to become a member of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

### **Request for Assistance – Burford Annual Fish Fry and Elimination Draw**

Gary Givens and Wayne Symons, on behalf of the Burford Lions Club, requested financial assistance from the County towards the costs of their 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Burford Fish Fry and Elimination Draw to be held on the third weekend in June. Due to the fact that the Burford Community Centre will be under renovations, the Lions Club will be holding this event in a tent at the tennis courts, resulting in approximately \$13,500 in additional costs. The Lions Club has looked at other venues, but there are no locations in the Burford area can accommodate 900 people. Mr. Givens noted that the Burford Lions Club supports numerous community events and organizations with money raised through ventures such as the Fish Fry, including \$12,000 that has been donated for new tables and chairs at the Burford Community Centre over the past few years. In response to questions, Mr. Givens advised that the Lions Club does not want to hold this event outside of the Burford area, since most of the attendees at the event come from the Burford area.

### **Highway 24 Reconstruction and Whiteman's Creek Bridge Replacement**

Henry Huotari, Project Manager with Delcan Corporation, provided information on the Highway 24 reconstruction project from Highway 53 to 600 metres north of Highway 403, including replacement of the Whiteman's Creek Bridge. All of the alternatives for this project have been reviewed and the detailed design study is underway to improve the overall operation and safety of this road. Mr. Huotari outlined the proposed highway improvements and bridge replacement, noting the results of environmental and archaeological resources reviews. A groundwater and water well study is currently underway. Mr. Huotari reviewed the proposed detour route utilizing County roads during the estimated four-month construction period. A Public Information Centre on this project is scheduled for February 9 at the Airport Community Centre from 4 – 8 p.m. It is anticipated that the design and construction report will be ready for public review and environmental clearance in the Spring of 2010, with preliminary work to start in the Fall of 2010, construction and road closure during the Summer of 2011, and final completion in 2012, subject to Provincial funding.

In response to questions, Mr. Huotari advised that the proposed detour routes will undergo an inspection by MTO and County staff prior to the routes being implemented. He noted some of the options that the County may wish to consider to reduce vehicles from utilizing County roads that are not on the detour route. Due to the fact that grades are being changed at the bridge and pre-constructed bridge components are being used, it will not be possible to keep the bridge open during the construction period. He also noted that traffic counts do not support increasing the road to four lanes at this time, or installing turn-lanes at Bethel Road or Robinson Road. The radius of the road has been increased at these two intersections to facilitate truck traffic. Members of Council expressed their concern that turn lanes should be incorporated into the road design to improve safety for the large volume of vehicles using this road.

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### **Disposition of Delegation Requests**

1. It was agreed that the request for the County to become a member of FCM would be referred to staff for consideration during budget deliberations.
2. It was agreed that the presentation on the Highway 24 reconstruction project would be forwarded to Public Works staff to prepare comments to be submitted to the Ministry of Transportation regarding the need for turning lanes. It was also agreed that staff would arrange a meeting with the Minister of Transportation at the ROMA/OGRA Conference to discuss this matter.
3. Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the request from the Burford Lions Club for financial assistance with their Annual Fish Fry and Elimination Draw be referred to the 2010 Budget deliberations for consideration.

. Carried

### **MINUTES**

Moved by – Councillor Hodge  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the In Camera minutes of the January 18, 2010 meeting of Brant County Council regarding the C.A.O. Recruitment be adopted, copies having been forwarded to the members prior to the meeting.

.Carried

Moved by – Councillor Simons  
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

That the minutes of the January 19, 2010 special meeting of Brant County Council regarding Cobblestone Drive drainage be adopted, copies having been forwarded to the members prior to the meeting.

.Carried

Moved by – Councillor Powell  
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That the minutes of the January 19, 2010 meeting of Brant County Council be adopted, copies having been forwarded to the members prior to the meeting.

.Carried

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

Moved by – Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the following Consent Information reports be received:

1. Media Release from Fire Department re: Kitchen Fires.
2. Minutes of Police Services Board meeting – January 20, 2010.
3. Minutes of Social Services Committee – January 13, 2010;

And that the following Consent Communications be received:

1. AMO Member Communications:
  - a. Watch Files for January 21 and 28, 2010
  - b. ROMA update from January 14, 2010
  - c. Haiti Challenge for donations from municipalities
2. Ministry of the Environment – Congratulations on County achieving Municipal Drinking Water License, Drinking Water Works Permit and Accreditation
3. Letter of resignation as Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing from Hon. Jim Watson.
4. Ministry of the Environment – notice of posting of draft regulation on the Environmental Bill of Rights' Environmental Registry to support the development and implementation of source protection plans under the Clean Water Act, 2006.
5. M.P.P. Dave Levac – Copy of letter to Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty supporting Brant/Brantford/Six Nations area for Green Energy Hub designation.
6. Media release from OGRA welcoming new Ministers of Transportation, Energy and Infrastructure, and Municipal Affairs and Housing.
7. Independent Electricity System Operator's 2010 Energy Management Calendar.
8. Ministry of Natural Resources – copy of notice to Six Nations under the Grand River Notification Agreement of a proposed sewage system upgrade project at the Rock Point Provincial Park in Dunnville.
9. City of Hamilton – Notice of completion of City-wide Cycling Master Plan Class EA.
10. Communities in Bloom Ontario newsletter.
11. Minutes of Meetings:
  - a. Brant County Power Inc. – December 9, 2009.
  - b. Brant County Power Services Inc. – November 19 and December 17, 2009.
  - c. Brant County Board of Health – October 28, 2009.
  - d. Lake Erie Region Source Protection Committee – December 3, 2009.
  - e. Committee of Adjustment – December 17, 2009.

. Carried

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

Councillor Atfield presented the following report from the January 26, 2010 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee, it being noted that Recommendation 4 has been referred to the 2010 Budget deliberations:

1. Whereas the Paris Lawn Bowling Club, located at 169 Grand River Street North, Paris, sustained water damage due to a burst water pipe between January 1, 2010 and January 4, 2010;

Be it hereby resolved that staff be authorized to receive quotations and select a contractor to complete the necessary repairs to the Paris Lawn Bowling Club to ensure the facility is ready for operation when the lawn bowling season commences in the spring.

2. Whereas the Lions Park Steering Committee has put together a master plan for Paris Lions Park;

And whereas a public meeting was held to gather community input;

And whereas suggestions received at the public meeting have been incorporated into the master plan;

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Be it hereby resolved that the County of Brant approve the final concept drawing for Paris Lions Park, as dated January 26, 2010, and support the implementation of improvements to the park as guided by the Lions Park Master Plan Steering Committee.

3. That Parks and Recreation staff enter into negotiations with the Paris Lions Club with respect to a lease agreement for Paris Lions Park.
4. **(Referred to 2010 Budget Deliberations)** ~~That correspondence from the Burford Lions Club requesting assistance with the costs of their Annual Fish Fry and Elimination Draw be received as information;~~

~~And that a letter be forwarded to the Burford Lions Club suggesting that they consider partnering with another organization or relocating the event to another County facility for 2010.~~

Moved by – Councillor Atfield  
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

That the report of the Parks and Recreation Committee from its January 26, 2010 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Councillor Powell presented the following report from the January 26, 2010 meeting of the Emergency Services Committee:

1. That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign the Mutual Release Agreement with the Region of Waterloo for remittance to the County of Brant of a one-time payment in the amount of \$45,633.00, to compensate Brant for the net Ambulance Calls for the period January 1, 2001 through to December 31, 2007.

Moved by – Councillor Powell  
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That the report of the Emergency Services Committee from its January 26, 2010 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

### **TWIN PAD BUILDING**

Councillor Coleman presented the following report from the January 25, 2010 meeting of the Twin Pad Building Committee:

1. That Council consider the following two additional names, in order to effectively represent the function and purpose of the new Twin Pad Building Complex:
  - i. “Brant Twin Arenas”; and
  - ii. “Brant Twin Rinks”
2. That the County of Brant approve the revised Twin Pad Capital Campaign Donor Recognition Levels, with a new total of six donor recognition levels.

3. Be it hereby resolved that the donation required to engrave a seat in the new Twin Pad arena be reduced to \$500.00.

4. Whereas seat sales during the Twin Pad fundraising campaign have been minimal;

And whereas the small number of volunteers makes it more difficult to reach the ideal number of potential donors;

Be it hereby resolved that any Community Group or Service Club which collects a donation of \$500.00 per seat at the new Twin Pad Arena be awarded \$50.00 per seat.

5. Whereas the County recognizes the need for the Paris Mounties Minor Hockey Team to have a designated dressing room;

Be it hereby resolved that the Paris Mounties be offered a dedicated dressing room for a period of one year, subject to an annual review for a potential fee of \$1,500 or more per year, on the condition that staff may be permitted to use the room in case of special events or circumstances.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman

Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the report of the Twin Pad Building Committee from its January 25, 2010 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

Councillor Coleman advised that there is a need to determine a name for the Twin Pad Complex for advertising and signage purposes, etc.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman

Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That a report on the naming of the Twin Pad Complex be considered at the February 16, 2010 meeting of Council.

. Carried

## **BOUNDARY NEGOTIATIONS**

Councillor Chambers presented the following report from the January 18, 2010 meeting of the Boundary Negotiations Committee:

1. That in the spirit of co-operation, County staff be requested to explore opportunities for potential City/County economic development initiatives that will provide benefits to both municipalities.

Moved by – Councillor Chambers

Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the report of the County Boundary Negotiations Committee from its January 18, 2010 meeting be adopted.

.Carried

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### **CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT**

Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That the January 20, 2010 minutes of the Corporate Development Committee be received as information.

. Carried

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. St. George Citizens Association – Concerns about relocation of the St. George Customer Service office to the Community Centre

Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Atfield

That the letter from the St. George Citizens Association regarding relocation of the St. George Customer Service office be referred to the Community Services Committee.

. Carried

2. Marilyn McCulloch re: Brant Cultural Centre

Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the letter from Marilyn McCulloch regarding the Brant Cultural Centre be received as information.

. Carried

3. Brantford Home Builders' Association – 2010 plans and suggestions for Municipal/Industry Liaison Committee

Moved by - Councillor Haggart  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That representatives of the Brantford Home Builders' Association be invited to make a presentation to the Corporate Development Committee on their suggestions for a Municipal/Industry Liaison Committee.

. Carried

4. Stephanie Morgan, Paris – Support for purchase of former Sacred Heart School, Paris, for recreational uses – It was agreed that this letter would be referred to the 2010 budget deliberations on the purchase of the former Sacred Heart School.

### **QUESTIONS**

1. Concern was expressed that the Economic Development Strategic Plan Stakeholder Consultation meeting had been scheduled during the ROMA/OGRA Conference. It was noted that the Council schedule should be taken into account when scheduling other meetings that involve members of Council.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

That the Council of the County of Brant extend congratulations to the Norwich community on their bicentennial anniversary in 2010, and wish them many more years of success.

. Carried

Councillor Chambers provided a brief overview of the Quaker settlers travelling down the Quaker Trail (now Harley Road) from Detroit Road (Highway 53), passing through the settlement of Derby (Harley), and on to the Norwich settlement. He noted that Derby was renamed Harley in honour of Archibald Harley, who served as a Reeve of Burford Township, Warden of the County of Brant, and Member of Parliament for the area.

Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Simons

Whereas the Norwich community is celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2010;

And whereas many of the original settlers travelled down the Quaker Trail, now known as the Harley Road, to settle in the Norwich area;

Be it hereby resolved that the Harley Road be designated as the “Quaker Trail” in 2010 in recognition of the rich history of this road and the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Norwich community;

And further that the Harley Road be signed accordingly to recognize the historical significance of the original Quaker Trail.

. Carried

As part of the Norwich celebrations, a Bicentennial trek down the Harley Road is being arranged. It was agreed that the Quaker Trail signs should be donated to the Harley Museum when they are removed in 2011.

## **IN CAMERA**

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt  
Seconded by – Councillor Coleman

That Council go in camera to discuss proposed property acquisitions and personal information about identifiable individuals.

. Carried

### **In Camera at 8:30 p.m.**

This portion of the meeting is recorded in the In Camera – Confidential Brant County Council minutes dated February 2, 2010.

**Open Session at 9:50 p.m.**, on motion of Councillors Hodge and Schmitt.

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### **CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Moved by – Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by – Councillor Hodge

That the In Camera report of the Corporate Development Committee from its January 20, 2010 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

### **TWIN PAD BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Councillor Chambers declared a conflict of interest in this matter and left the Council table during discussion of this matter.

Moved by – Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by – Councillor Powell

That the In Camera report of the Twin Pad Building Committee from its January 25, 2010 meeting be adopted.

. Carried

Councillor Chambers returned to the Council table.

### **BY-LAWS**

Moved by – Councillor Simons  
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

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

- By-law Number 22-10 to assume the infrastructure of the subdivision known as Highlands on the Nith Subdivision, Phase 1, Paris, more particularly described as Registered Plan 2M-1875.
- By-law Number 23-10 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

. Carried

Moved by – Councillor Simons  
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

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

- By-law Number 22-10 to assume the infrastructure of the subdivision known as Highlands on the Nith Subdivision, Phase 1, Paris, more particularly described as Registered Plan 2M-1875.
- By-law Number 23-10 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

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Moved by – Councillor Simons  
Seconded by – Councillor Haggart

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

- By-law Number 22-10 to assume the infrastructure of the subdivision known as Highlands on the Nith Subdivision, Phase 1, Paris, more particularly described as Registered Plan 2M-1875.
- By-law Number 23-10 to confirm the proceedings of Council.

. Carried

### **NEXT MEETING**

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m. to meet again on **Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers.

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Mayor

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Date Minutes Approved

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Clerk