

THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

February 17, 2012

Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on Friday, February 17, 2012 at 14:00 h. in the Township Hall.

1. CALL TO ORDER & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

The following were present Reeve Tammy Stewart, Councillors: Dave Foote, Jim Gibson, Debbi Grills and Robert Reid.

Approximately 8 members of the public and the media were present.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF – none

4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS – Mr. Carl Lentz requested to address the new Council. Summary follows these minutes.

5. ADOPTION of MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETINGS (INCLUDING COMMITTEES)

i. Council Minutes

Resolution # 17/02/12/001

Moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Councillor Grills

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Friday, February 3, 2012 be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

6. CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS – None

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. Town of Bancroft – re: Kyoto Accord - info
- ii. Reeve Stewart – re: Ombudsman's report and closed meeting minutes – not discussed
- iii. Laurentian Hills – re: Tri Council letter to MTO - info
- iv. Wayne Kirby & Michelle Larose – re: Deep River and Laurentian Hills councillor training - info
- v. Achieve Training Centre – re: training courses - info
- vi. The Mediation Centre of Southeastern Ontario – re: training courses - info
- vii. Mohawk College Enterprise – re: Leadership training - info
- viii. MOE –re: waste diversion goals - info
- ix. Canadian Playground Inspections – re: Maintenance Standards and Court Decisions - info
- x. L1 – Cathy Balla-Boudreau – re: budget considerations – **Action:** Noella to determine costs and provide with amended budget documentation;
 1. County sign shop might provide product – 4' x 8' x 2
 2. Discussed a highway sign and MTO costs;
 3. Request for Library sign off the highway;
 4. **Action:** Place ad in newsletter requesting people interested in pursuing a municipal sign for the highway;
- xi. L2 - Susan Freeman – re: appointment to AMO Board - info
- xii. L3 - Ontario Urban Forest Council – re: Emerald Ash Borer – **Action:** Clerk to prepare resolution for next meeting.
- xiii. L4 – OGRA – re: Heads Up Alert – Minimum Maintenance Standards – info
- xiv. L5 – Railway – to be considered under “Unfinished Business”

8. STAFF REPORTS

i. Clerk's Report #17/02/12/801 – information

Action: Clerk to provide the email addresses of Councillors Foote, Gibson and Reid for the 360 process.

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- i. Report #17/02/12/901- Expense Statement to Date – February 14, 2012

Resolution # 17/02/12/002

Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Gibson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Statement of Expenses dated February 14, 2012 be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

ii. Report #17/02/12/902 - Cheque Log to February 14, 2012

Resolution # 17/02/12/003

Moved by Councillor Gibson and Seconded by Councillor Grills

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cheque Log dated February 14, 2012 be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

10. BY-LAWS

i. Interim Taxation By-Law # 2012-08

Resolution # 17/02/12/004

Moved by Councillor Grills and Seconded by Councillor Gibson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2012-08 being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy on properties and to provide for payment of taxes, penalty and interest of 1.25% be read a first time short and passed.

Carried Unanimously

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

i. Report 17/02/12/1101 – Railway and Public Consultation

Resolution # 17/02/12/005

Moved by Councillor Gibson and Seconded by Councillor Grills

WHEREAS Council does not know the wishes of the public as they relate to the future of the railway throughout the community;

AND WHEREAS it has been suggested that public consultation would be prudent prior to making a decision to either support or receive for information the request from the railway conservation groups including Transport Pontiac-Renfrew;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby instruct the Clerk to include this issue on the agenda for the Public meeting to be held on Saturday, February 25, 2012 to receive public input prior to making their decision.

Carried Unanimously

12. ADDENDUM (NEW BUSINESS)

i. Report #17/02/12/1201 – 2012 Preliminary Budget Report (Reserves)

Resolution # 17/02/12/006

Moved by Councillor Foote and Seconded by Councillor Reid

WHEREAS staff have presented Council with a preliminary working document for budget purposes;

AND WHEREAS most costs are routine aside from special projects;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby authorize the Treasurer to create a budget document to be presented to Council and members of the public at the public meeting to be held on Saturday, February 25th, 2012 incorporating the suggestions made at today's meeting.

Carried Unanimously

Council discussed:

- A document that provided actual to budgeted for the last 5 years.
- Discussed MTO pit in Deux Rivieres a compensation for aggregate
- Costs of Disposal Site monitoring and Jp2g – explained that most are for lab and specialized testing subcontracted to Gartner and Lee
- Insurance costs – office/hall replacement – value of building and need for a line item for building replacement in reserves

13. CLOSED SESSION – None

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION - none

15. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

i. Change of Meeting Request

Resolution # 17/02/12/006-A

Moved by Councillor Reid and Seconded by Councillor Foote

WHEREAS the Missing Link will be renting the hall for the silent auction the weekend of March 2nd, 2012;

AND WHEREAS a meeting of Council is to be held on the 2nd;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of head, Clara & Maria does hereby agree to change the March meeting dates to the 9th and 23rd;

AND FURTHER THAT a closed meeting facilitation session will be held with Mr. Bonenberg on the morning of March 9, 2012 at 09:00h.

Carried Unanimously

16. CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS

Resolution # 17/02/12/007

Moved by Councillor Reid and Seconded by Councillor Foote

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2012-07 being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria at its meeting held on February 17, 2012 be read a first time short and passed.

Carried Unanimously

Reeve Stewart welcomed Councillor Grills to Council.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution # 17/02/12/008

Moved by Councillor Reid and seconded by Councillor Foote

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 15:00h to meet again Friday, March 9, 2012 at 14:00h.

Carried Unanimously

Reeve – Tammy Lea Stewart

Clerk – Melinda Reith

Deputation by Mr. Carl Lentz

Mr. Lentz addressed Council and staff with a blessing for the future. As well as his written verse, he spoke of the new generation rising up to take part in establishing justice and righteousness within the nation. He is enthused to see younger generation taking part. It is within his heart to tell you that his prayers and support are behind you as part of the government here.

He has a personal view of some of the things that have occurred here. He sees a need to speak words to build up. To Council and employees, he welcomes Debbi as a new councillor and extends his congratulations recognizing her efforts in campaigning.

From his learning based on his belief he recognizes a personal direction and responsibility to honour those in positions of authority as well as every individual.

Reeve Stewart and Councillor Grills thanked Mr. Lentz for his words and blessing.