

Township of Wollaston Council Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2015

Meeting commenced 9:00 am

Present: Council: Reeve Graham Blair , Deputy Reeve Marilyn Brickles , Councillor Bob Ireland , Councillor Michael Fuerth, Councillor Lynn Kruger

Staff: Jennifer Cohen, Verna Brundage, Joanne Paquette

1. M. Brickles – B. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Wollaston go into closed session at 8:45 am under section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act for the following reason: **239 (2) D to discuss the wages of a specific municipal employee**

239 (2) D Labour relations or employee negotiations Carried

3. B. Ireland – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Wollaston come out of closed session at 9:25 am. Carried

Reeve Graham Blair asked if there was any conflict or pecuniary interest. None declared.

4. B. Ireland – M. Fuerth: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the minutes of the January 27, 2015 Council Meeting. Carried

5. M. Brickles – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township adopts the agenda of the February 10, 2015 Council meeting. Carried

6. M. Brickles - M. Fuerth: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township directs the Roads Superintendent to circulate a Request for Quotation for the purchase of a Tandem Snowplow Truck to replace the 1999 International truck. Carried

7 L. Kruger – M. Fuerth: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township accepts the Road Superintendent's first quarterly report for 2015. Carried

8. M. Brickles - M. Fuerth: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township has reviewed and approved the Township of Wollaston's Workplace Harassment Policy, Workplace Violence Policy and the Health and Safety Policy for 2015. Carried

9. B. Ireland – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the application from Tia Alexander for a Façade Improvement Grant under the Community Improvement Program. Grant payments will be conditional on an inspection of the project to ensure that the CIP guidelines have been followed and submission of paid invoices to the Township office. Carried

10. M. Brickles – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the donation of \$ 50.00 to the North Hastings Music Festival Association. Carried

11. M. Fuerth – B. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the payment of the 2015 membership dues in the North Hastings Veterinary Advisory Committee. Carried

12. B. Ireland – M. Fuerth: Resolution as suggested by CUPW attached hereto.

SAVE CANADA POST – STOP THE CUTS

WHEREAS Canada Post and the Conservatives are taking an axe to long-treasured postal services – killing good jobs, eliminating door-to-door delivery, drastically increasing postage rates and closing, downsizing and reducing hours at post offices.

WHEREAS Canada Post did not properly consult on these changes, effectively eliminating any opportunity for input from the people who will be most affected;

WHEREAS closing and downsizing post offices, reducing post office hours, and eliminating door-to-door delivery will reduce service and eliminate thousands of jobs in communities throughout our country.

WHEREAS Canada Post offers a public service that needs to be protected;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Wollaston write a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post that calls on the government to reverse the changes to services announced by Canada Post, and to look instead for ways to increase service and revenues in areas such as postal banking.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Township of Wollaston ask the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to request that the federal government consult with the public about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make such major changes to public postal service. Carried

13. M. Fuerth – B. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township receives and files the following items to be read:

1. Draft Budget of the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority
2. Report presented to County Council regarding the Forestry Industry
3. Invitation for comment regarding Ontario's default speed limit
4. Invitation to participate in "Meal or No Meal"
5. Hastings County Economic Development Office newsletter
6. Launch of "I left the City" Economic Development campaign
7. Reeve Joanne Albert appointed to AMO board
8. Resolution from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford re: Industrial Wind Turbines
9. Request from Canadian Union of Postal Workers re: changes to postal service
10. New candidate for Family Physician Recruitment program

Carried

14. M. Brickles - B. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township receives and files the following correspondence:

1. Municipal World, February 2015
2. Open Meeting Law Enforcement Team (OMLET) Annual Report

Carried

15. L. Kruger - M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township rescind the previous motion # 6 regarding the purchase of a Tandem Truck.

Wollaston Council agrees to purchase the Western Star Truck with Viking Plow at a cost of not more than \$ 213,000 plus tax based on the four competitive quotations presented. The request for quotation process will be waived based on the "volatile market conditions" exception in the procurement by-law.*

*Wollaston Township will also purchase the 5 year extended bumper to bumper warranty at an additional cost of \$ 7,700.

Carried

16. M. Fuerth – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the vouchers of January 2015 as follows:

Fire	\$ 2,688.93
General	11,678.81
Roads	20,722.28
Recreation	476.43
Utility	197.15
Waste Site	3,651.61
Council Payroll	2,425.00
General Payroll	33,167.04
Library Payroll	1,697.28

Carried

17. M. Brickles – M. Fuerth: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township receives and files the following Board, Department and Committee meeting minutes:

1. North Hastings Economic Development Committee Meeting of January 5, 2015
2. Wollaston Recreation Committee meeting minutes of November 24, 2014
3. Municipal Dog Pound Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2014

Carried

18. B. Ireland – M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves that the following By-Law be introduced, read, dealt with, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. By-Law 06-15 Amend non-union and part time wages

2. By-Law 07-15 Confirmation By-Law

Carried

19. M. Brickles – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township adjourns of February 10, 2015 at 1:30 pm to meet again on Thursday, February 26, 2015 at 9:00 am at the Township of Wollaston Council Chambers or at the call of the Reeve or Council.

Carried

Graham Blair, Reeve

Jennifer Cohen, Clerk