

Township of Wollaston Council Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2016

Meeting commenced 6:00pm

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

Staff: Jennifer Cohen, Verna Brundage

1. M. Fuerth – M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of the Wollaston Township approves the minutes of the November 22, 2016 Council Meeting. Carried

2. R. Ireland - L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township adopts the agenda of the December 13, 2016 Council Meeting with new items:

1. Permission to close a portion of Highway 620 for the Christmas Parade
2. Approval of the municipal insurance policy for 2017
3. Discussion of light at the north end of The Ridge Road
4. Update on Nicholson Bridge contract Carried

Delegation: 9:00 Rick Middleton, Fire Chief's year end report

3. R. Ireland - L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township will engage the services of Mr. Dan Koroscil to review the Establishing and Regulating by-law and the Guidelines of the Fire Department. This will include an exercise in determining the type and level of training expected and required. Carried

4. M. Brickles – R. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township amend the motion # 7 passed at the meeting November 22, 2016 by removing the appointment of the two Council members from the Library Board. As a result the Board will be comprised of only 5 citizen members. The chair of the board, when chosen, will be invited to periodically come to Council and provide an overview of board activities. Carried

5. M. Fuerth - L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the CBO's Report for December, 2016. Carried

6. M. Fuerth – M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township proceed with a trial program to record the audio of Council Meetings to begin January 24, 2017. Council directs the clerk to draft the required policies to be considered at the January 10, 2017 meeting. Carried

7. M. Brickles – R. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township supports the use of surplus funds for the following purposes:

1. "Public Transit" funds that were budgeted and unused, may be used to support public transit service for the Holiday Parade and Party.
2. "Township Special Events" funds that were budgeted and unused, may be used to purchase promotional Wollaston Township t-shirts and sweatshirts for use as prizes and incentives for special events and programs. Carried

8. M. Fuerth - L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township directs the Treasurer to exempt half of the supplemental property taxes for 5563 Highway 620 from interest and penalty that would be incurred at December 31, 2016. Carried

9. M. Brickles – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township endorses Councillor Michael Fuerth for the position of ROMA Zone 6 Representative to the 2015 – 2019 ROMA Board, for the remainder of the Board term. Carried

10. M. Fuerth - M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township receive and file the following items to be read:

1. Letter of Resignation from Deputy Fire Chief
2. Funding announcement: Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund
3. Funding announcement: Seniors Community Grant

4. Letter of Thanks from Warden Rick Phillips
5. Warden Rodney Cooney's Inaugural remarks
6. Nominations to County Council Committees and Boards
7. ROMA conference registration
8. News release from Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board
9. AMO communication, proclamation of Waste-Free Ontario Act
10. Election of School Board Chair
11. Township of McKellar resolution re: funding for Fire Department infrastructure
12. Town of Richmond Hill resolution re: postal banking
13. Invitation for North Hastings Non-Profit Housing board members
14. Advertise in the Military Service Recognition Project book.

Carried

11. M. Fuerth – M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township accepts the resignation of Deputy Fire Chief Dave Jackson. Wollaston Council thanks Mr. Jackson for his many years of dedicated service to the Wollaston Fire Department.

Carried

12. M. Brickles - L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township supports the Township of McKellar's resolution to petition the Provincial Government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department infrastructure as part of their Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward.

Carried

13. M. Fuerth – R. Ireland: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township supports the Town of Richmond Hill's resolution to call on the federal government to make the required changes to allow and add postal banking by Canada Post with a mandate for financial inclusion.

Carried

14. M. Brickles - M. Fuerth : Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township receive and file the following correspondence:

1. Municipal World, December 2016
2. Coe Hill School newsletter, December 2016
3. Community Archives newsletter, December 2016
4. Umbrella, Quinte Arts newsletter, Winter 2016
5. The Source, Ontario Ground Water Association magazine, Fall 2016

Carried

15. L. Kruger – M. Fuerth: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the vouchers of November 2016 as follows:

Fire	\$ 20,799.08
General	46,435.11
Roads	36,683.53
Recreation	456.12
Utility	224.77
Waste Site	7,316.01
Council Payroll	2,554.25
General Payroll	33,939.62

Carried

16. R. Ireland – M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the closure of Highway 620 from Lower Faraday Road (#5462) to the Coe Hill School (#5629) from 1:30 pm to 2:00 pm on Sunday, December 18, 2016 to allow for the safe passage of community floats in the Christmas Parade. Signage will be posted to inform the public of this closure.

Carried

Discussion of by-law 46-16, to approve an increase to council remuneration by adding a cost of living increase of 1.75%. Council agreed to forgo any increase until a there is a sense of support and trust from the community.

17. R. Ireland – L. Kruger: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township approves the following By-Laws be introduced, read, dealt with, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. By-Law 43-16 Establish Wollaston Public Library
2. By-Law 44-16 Approve 2017 non-union salaries
3. By-Law 45-16 Approve CBO contract wage
4. By-Law 47-16 2017 Council schedule
5. By-Law 48-16 To appoint insurers of record for 2017
6. By-Law 49-16 Confirmation By-Law

Carried

18. M. Fuerth – M. Brickles: Be it resolved that the Council of Wollaston Township adjourn the meeting of December 13, 2016 at 11:27 am to meet again on January 10, 2017 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