

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHAPPLE
COUNCIL MEETING
March 10, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapple was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Municipal Office, Barwick Ontario.

PRESENT: Reeve Peter Van Heyst, Councillors: Ken Wilson, Ted Zimmerman, James Gibson, Rilla Race Public Works Superintendent - Randy Both and CAO/Clerk Treasurer Peggy Johnson.

Reeve Peter Van Heyst welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open for the transaction of business.

DECLARATIONS: None.

1. Moved by: James Gibson - Rilla Race

That the agenda for the regular meeting of March 10, 2015 be here-by approved with the following addendums:

Emo Public Library - Annual donation of \$ 1,000

2015 1st Quarter School Levies

Livestock Damages - \$ 1,600.00

Carried.

2. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - James Gibson

That the minutes of the regular meeting of February 10, 2015 and the special meeting of February 23, 2015 be hereby approved.

Carried.

FINANCIAL:

3. Moved by: Rilla Race - Ted Zimmerman

That the financial statement be accepted and the following accounts be paid:

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| GENERAL | (14,357- 14,362) | \$ | 1,056.89 |
| GENERAL | (14,363-14,375 VOID) | \$ | 0.00 |
| GENERAL | (14,376-14,388 VOID) | \$ | 0.00 |
| GENERAL | (14,389-14,401) | \$ | 51,432.14 |
| GENERAL | (14,402-14,403) | \$ | 53,917.50 |
| GENERAL | (14,404-14,438) | \$ | 65,390.58 |
| GENERAL | (14,439-14,440) | \$ | 16,881.47 |
| GENERAL | (14,441- 14,448) | \$ | 36,044.94 |
| GENERAL | (14,449-14,451) | \$ | 2,446.32 |
| PAYROLL | (1877-1887) | \$ | 14,616.50 |
| PAYROLL | (1888-1896) | \$ | <u>13,667.99</u> |

\$ 255,454.33

Carried.

With a significant increase in the US\$ exchange rate, direction was given to transfer 50% of the US\$ Account to the General Operating Account.

DELEGATIONS:

10:00 a.m. BDO- Auditors Report

Mike Canfield and Jon Evans attended Council to report on the annual municipal audit. It was noted that there was nothing to bring forward since completion of the February 26, 2015 field work and finances could be signed off as of March 10, 2015.

In reviewing total outstanding taxes receivable, BDO reported that, with the enforcement of the Municipal Act and the municipal collection policy, Chapple is in a much better position with a significant reduction in tax arrears.

In 2015, the municipality will have to identify a process to look at all municipally owned property to determine which are actively used and which are inactive. With those that are inactive, the municipality must identify any potentially contaminated sites that could require future clean-up. Old landfill sites are exempt from this as they are monitored under different legislation.

4. Moved by: Rilla Race - Ted Zimmerman

That the Township of Chapple approve the draft audited financial statements as presented by BDO Canada.

Carried.

11:00 a.m. Dave Saunders/ O.P.P. 2014 Activity Report

Dave Saunders attended the meeting to present the 2014 Police Activities Report for the Township of Chapple as prepared by Inspector Steve Shouldice.

1:00 p.m. Gerald Buckrell/Hatch Mott Mac Donald

Gerald Buckrell attended the meeting to introduce himself to Council and provide an update on the development of the Temporary Camp located on Atkinson Road.

REPORTS:

A. AMBIS: Council reviewed the February, 2015 Building Statistics and Building Permit Reports.

Alain Tanquay has advised that there is no \$/sq ft rate within the User Fee Bylaw for calculation of commercial construction values to calculate building permit fees.

B. RRDSSAB: The media is reporting a 5% increase to the municipal levy in 2015.

C. RECREATION: Recreation Financial Statement was reviewed.

5. Moved by: James Gibson - Rilla Race

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR Chapple Recreation – February 2015
BE PAID AS FOLLOWS:

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| Pre-Auth | Union Gas (Dec 23/14-Jan 23/15) | \$ | 731.00 |
| Pre-Auth | Hydro One Hall (Dec 9/14-Jan 9/15) | \$ | 301.63 |
| Pre-Auth | Hydro One Ball Park (Dec 9/14-Jan 9/15) | \$ | 41.67 |
| Pre-Auth | Hydro One Rink (Dec 9/14-Jan 9/15) | \$ | 146.37 |
| Chq #2577 | Bell Canada – February | \$ | 88.31 |
| Chq #2578 | Selective Services | \$ | 55.37 |
| Chq #2579 | Township of Chapple | \$ | 166.22 |
| Chq #2580 | Tompkins Hardware | \$ | 31.62 |
| Chq #2581 | Township of Chapple | \$ | 238.68 |
| Pre-Auth | Union Gas (Jan 23-Feb 24/15) | \$ | <u>731.00</u> |
| Total Paid | | | <u>\$ 2,531.87</u> |

Carried.

D. HERITAGE: Rilla Race reported that no heritage meeting has been scheduled until April, 2015.

E. EMO PUBLIC LIBRARY: A request has been received from the Emo Public Library for the annual donation. Rilla Race reported that there are approximately 100 Chapple residents with memberships at the Emo Library.

F. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Council reviewed the Administrative Report provided by Fire Chief/Gerry Armstrong.

6. Moved by: Rilla Race - Ken Wilson

That the following individuals be appointed to the Chapple Volunteer Fire Department:

- Rod Cupp
- Lorraine Cupp
- Brad Shoemaker
- Betty Shoemaker

Carried.

A letter of resignation was accepted, with regret, from Fire Chief Gerry Armstrong. Gerry indicated that he would assist Council with succession planning.

G. HEALTH AND SAFETY: No report.

H. DRAINAGE: No report.

I. RAINY RIVER DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION: No report.

J. PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT – Randy Both

Randy reported that the International Truck has been repaired. Information has been sent to Ed Wiersma for review as this breakdown may be as a result of the 2013 accident/claim.

Randy advised that half loading restrictions has been posted on municipal roads today. Half loading will be posted on Hwy 600 next week.

Randy reported that New Gold has been cutting wood on the unopened road allowance at the end of Eliuk Road. Mitch LePage has advised that this is permitted under the Mining Act. New Gold owns the property on both sides of this road allowance. Council had no issue with this, as with past practice, it is the policy of the municipality to allow each property owner to cut wood to the centre line of the road allowance.

A request was received to do work on the unopened road allowance at the end of Atkinson Road. Council did not give approval for this. It was agreed that if the road was not built to municipal standards so as to be safe for everyone to travel then it was too big a liability. Public Works Superintendent Randy Both advised Council that it is his intent to place a "Dead End" road sign at the end of Atkinson Road.

A request has been received from Mitch LePage/New Gold to place additional posts and gates along certain municipal roads. Council was in agreement to this with the understanding that the gates will be locked in the "open position" and that in the event there was the need to close one of these gates, the municipality and Public Works Superintendent/Randy Both would be notified. Until such time as the ownership of these roads have been transferred to New Gold, these roads must remain open to the public.

Approval was given to Randy Both to travel to Winnipeg to look at loaders.

A tentative date of April 28, 2015 has been set for the spring road tour.

K. CAO/CLERK-TREASURER – Peggy Johnson

Council reviewed the Administrative Report that was provided.

A public meeting will be advertised for the April 13, 2015 for the purpose of reviewing and amending the User Fee Bylaw.

Properties with tax arrears, that have been registered for one year effective March 24, 2015, will be advertised. The method of sale will be by Public Tender.

7. Moved by: Rilla Race - Ted Zimmerman

As per the Township of Chapple Contribution Agreement for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) Formula Component, the municipality shall submit a Project Report by March 31, 2015 to identify the use of this funding for the following:

2015 Bridge Inspections
Resurfacing – Barron Bridge

Carried.

L. WATER TREATMENT PLANT REPORT – David McKelvie

Council reviewed the February, 2015 Operating Report.

8. Moved by: Ken Wilson - Ted Zimmerman

That the reports for March, 2015 be hereby approved

Carried.

9. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - Ken Wilson

BE IT RESOLVED that the **Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Township of Chapple** hereby agree to go in-camera at 3:00 p.m. as authorized under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the following purpose:

Security of property;

Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees;

Proposed or pending acquisitions or disposition of real property;

Labour relations and employee negotiations;

Litigation or potential litigation, including matter before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board; -

Advice subject to a solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

Any matter with respect to which a council, local board or committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under any other statute;

Consideration of a request under the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Carried

Council returned to regular meeting of Council. Two surplus municipal lots will be sold as per agreed upon conditions. As per advice of legal counsel, Council was in agreement to accept a "Letter of Commitment and Agreement" for New Gold's Rainy River Project.

RESOLUTIONS:

10. Moved by: Ken Wilson - Ted Zimmerman

That the Township of Chapple approve the following to attend the Amethyst Spring Sector Meeting and EM 240 Notetaking Workshop May 21, 2015 in Thunder Bay, Ontario:

Peggy Johnson
Dorothy Huitikka
Matt Loughrey

All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Chapple.

Carried.

11. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - James Gibson

That the following be approved to attend the 2015 NOMA Annual Meeting and Conference to be held April 22, 23 & 24, 2015 in Thunder Bay, Ontario at the Victoria Inn & Conference Centre:

Peter Van Heyst
Ted Zimmerman
Rilla Race
James Gibson
Peggy Johnson

Carried.

12. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman, Rilla Race

That the following be approved to attend the LAS 2015 Town Hall Information/Education Seminar on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 in Thunder Bay, Ontario at the Victoria Inn:

Defeated.

13. Moved by: Rilla Race - Ted Zimmerman

That the Township of Chapple renew FOTENN's contract for 2015 planning services as per submitted proposal, effective March 1, 2015.

Carried.

14. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - Rilla Race

That the Township of Chapple advertise the following municipal properties that have been declared surplus land:

Barwick PSM92 Lot 54 PCL 54-1 and;

Barwick PSM92 Lot 55 PCL 55-1

The following conditons must be satisfied within two years of the date of sale:

- a) The construction and completion, of a building having a minimum value of \$ 100,000 based on value calculated for building permit purposes; and
- b) Installation of services to the property.

Carried.

15. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - Ken Wilson

That the Township of Chapple approve Peggy Johnson and Crystal Gray to attend the 77th AMCTO Annual General Meeting and Professional Development June 7 – 10, 2015 in Thunder Bay, Ontario. All related expenses to be paid by the Township of Chapple.

Carried.

16. Moved by: Ken Wilson - Ted Zimmerman

That By-law No. 1523, being a by-law authorizing the Township of Chapple to borrow money to purchase a 2015 Midland Belly Dump Trailer, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 10th day March, 2015.

Carried.

17. Moved by: James Gibson - Rilla Race

That the Township of Chapple endorse the Town of Aurora in their request to the Province to support Bill 52, the Protection of Public Participation Act.

Carried.

18. Moved by: James Gibson - Rilla Race

That highway signage for the Riverview RV Park be provided by Canadian TODS Limited at a cost of \$ 662 plus HST.

Carried.

19. Moved by: Ken Wilson - James Gibson

That Bylaw 1522, being a bylaw to enter into an agreement with Real Term Energy Corporation for the provision of LED Street Lighting, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 10th day of March, 2015.

Carried.

20. Moved by: James Gibson - Ted Zimmerman

That the following supplies be purchased for the AED units:

- (2) AED Batteries @ \$ 90.00 plus HST
- (2) Adult Pads @ \$ 190.00 plus HST, and:
- (1) Pediatric Pads @ \$ 118.75 plus HST

Carried.

21. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - James Gibson

That the Township of Chapple support the Township of Gillies in the call for an increase in the current exempt flock limit from 300 broiler birds to 4,000 broiler birds.

Defeated.

22. Moved by: James Gibson - Ted Zimmerman

That the Township of Chapple accept the proposal received from Advisory Services to provide water line and sewer line inspections on an "as needed" basis to ensure compliance with approved engineering drawings.

Carried.

23. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - James Gibson

That the Township of Chapple make a donation in the amount of \$ 1,000.00 to the Emo Public Library.

Carried.

24. Moved by: James Gibson - Rilla Race

That the following 1st Quarter Education levies be paid:

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| English Public | \$ 52,978.81 |
| English Separate | \$ 8,188.14 |

Carried.

25. Moved by: Ted Zimmerman - James Gibson

That the Township of Chapple approve the following payment for reimbursement of livestock damages subject to pre-approval from OMAFRA:

Russel Richards \$ 1,600.00

Carried.


26. Moved by: James Gibson, Rilla Race

That we adjourn at 4:15 p.m. to meet again April 13, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. for regular meeting of Council.

Carried.



Reeve



CAO/Clerk/Treasurer