

TOWNSHIP OF WILMOT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2015

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor L. Armstrong, Councillors A. Junker, P. Roe, B, Fisher, J. Gerber, M. Murray

Staff Present: Chief Administration Officer G. Whittington, Director of Clerk's Services

B. McLeod, Deputy Clerk D. Mittelholtz, Director of Public Works G. Charbonneau, Director of Facilities and Recreation Services S. Nancekivell, Director of Development Services H. O'Krafka, Fire Chief M. Raine, Director of Finance R. Tse, Curator/Director of Castle Kilbride T. Loch, Planner/EDO A. Martin, Manager of

Accounting P. Kelly

- 1. MOTION TO CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION
- 2. MOTION TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION
- 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE
- 4. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Resolution No. 2015-069

Moved by: J. Gerber Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT Council will hear the delegation, Kevin Thomason, during Questions/New Business/Announcements.

CARRIED.

Kevin Thomason requested that he be allowed to address Council concerning the Costco planning application occurring in the City of Waterloo and his opinions on the potential effects on the Township of Wilmot. Council discussed the deviation from the Procedural By-law by the delegation and the fact that the Ontario Municipal Board hearing was not to make a decision concerning the planning application from Costco.

5. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST UNDER THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6.1 Council Meeting Minutes March 30, 2015

Resolution No. 2015-070

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: B. Fisher

THAT the minutes of the following meeting be adopted as presented:

Council Meeting March 30, 2015.

7. PUBLIC MEETINGS

7.1 REPORT NO. DS 2015-14
Zone Change Application 07/15
Craig McInally
Lot 130 and Part of Lot 129, Plan 627
Parts 2 and 3, Plan 58R-4327
55 Snyder's Road West, Baden

Resolution No. 2015-071

Moved by: P. Roe Seconded by: M. Murray

THAT report DS 2015-14 be received for information.

CARRIED.

Mayor Armstrong declared the public meeting open and stated that Council would hear all interested parties who wished to speak. He indicated that if the decision of Council is appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board, the Board has the power to dismiss an appeal if individuals do not speak at the public meeting or make written submissions before the by-law is passed.

Mayor Armstrong stated that persons attending as delegations at this meeting are required to leave their names and addresses which will become part of the public record and advised that this information may be posted on the Township's official website.

The Planner/EDO highlighted the report.

Mayor L. Armstrong asked if there were questions of a technical nature from Council. There were none.

Mayor Armstrong asked if the applicant wished to address Council. The applicant did not address Council.

Mayor L. Armstrong asked twice if anyone else wished to address Council, and in the absence of any comments, declared the public meeting to be closed.

8. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

9. REPORTS

9.1 CAO – no reports

9.2 CLERKS

9.2.1 REPORT NO. CL 2015-10
Temporary Road Designation Request
Seyler Street, New Hamburg

Resolution No. 2015-072

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT Council designate Seyler Street (from Peel Street to Jacob Street) as one way eastbound from 7:00 am on May 1, 2015 to 9:00 am on May 4, 2015;

AND FURTHER, THAT the north side of Seyler Street between Peel Street and Jacob Street be closed from 7:00 am on May 1, 2015 to 9:00 am on May 4, 2015.

CARRIED.

The Deputy Clerk highlighted the report.

9.3 FINANCE

9.3.1 REPORT NO. FIN 2015-18 2015 Final Tax Levy By-law

Resolution No. 2015-073

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: B. Fisher

THAT report FIN 2015-18, prepared by the Director of Finance, regarding the 2015 Final Tax Levy By-law be received.

CARRIED.

The Director of Finance highlighted the report.

9.3.2 REPORT NO. FIN 2015-19
Statement of Operations as of March 31, 2015 (un-audited)

Resolution No. 2015-074

Moved by: P. Roe Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT the Statement of Operations as of March 31, 2015, as prepared by the Manager of Accounting, be received for information purposes.

CARRIED.

The Manager of Accounting highlighted the report.

9.4 PUBLIC WORKS - no reports

9.5 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.5.1 REPORT NO. DS 2015-15
March Building Statistics Summary

Resolution No. 2015-075

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT the March 2015 Building Statistics Summary be received for information.

CARRIED.

9.6 FACILITIES AND RECREATION SERVICES

9.6.1 REPORT NO. PRD 2015-03
Facilities & Recreation Services Quarterly Activity Reports

Resolution No. 2015-076

Moved by: B. Fisher Seconded by: P. Roe

THAT the Facilities & Recreation Services Activity Reports for the first quarter of 2015 be received for information.

CARRIED.

Councillor P. Roe commended the Aquatics staff for their great work and for the increase in attendance.

9.7 FIRE

9.7.1 REPORT NO. FD 2015-06 Quarterly Activity Report

Resolution No. 2015-077

Moved by: A. Junker Seconded by: M. Murray

THAT the Fire Department Activity Report for the first quarter of 2015 be received for information purposes.

CARRIED.

9.7.2 REPORT NO. FD 2015-05
Fire Department Re-Branding with New Image

Resolution No. 2015-078

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT Report FD 2015-05, prepared by the Fire Chief, regarding the Wilmot Fire Department rebranding be received for information purposes.

CARRIED.

The Fire Chief highlighted the report.

Mayor L. Armstrong and Councillor B. Fisher both commented that they like the logo design.

Mayor L. Armstrong responded to Councillor P. Roe's inquiry into the use of FR to represent Fire and Rescue by stating that FD is representative of the Wilmot Fire Department which is the correct title.

9.8 CASTLE KILBRIDE

9.8.1 REPORT NO. CK 2015-03

Quarterly Activity Report – January, February & March 2015

Resolution No. 2015-079

Moved by: P. Roe Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT the Castle Kilbride Activity Report for the months of January, February & March be accepted for information purposes.

CARRIED.

The Curator/Director of Castle Kilbride highlighted the report.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Heritage Wilmot Advisory Committee – Committee Meeting Minutes, February 4 and March 4, 2015

Resolution No. 2015-080

Moved by: A. Junker Seconded by: M. Murray

THAT Correspondence Item 10.1 be received for information.

CARRIED.

11. BY-LAWS

11.1 By-law No. 2015-22 – By-Law To Establish the 2015 Final Tax Levy, the 2015 Rates of Taxation and to Provide for the Payment of Taxes by Instalments

Resolution No. 2015-081

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: A. Junker

THAT By-law No. 2015-22 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed in Open Council.

CARRIED.

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

13. QUESTIONS/NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

13.1 Mayor L. Armstrong announced that the trial Grand River Transit project in Wilmot has been approved for funding from the Community Transportation Pilot Grant Program with the Province of Ontario. He further advised Council that the trial will incorporate a flex route which will allow the bus to deviate from its route to accommodate passengers.

In response to Councillor A. Junker, Mayor L. Armstrong stated that the timeline has not been established yet as the various stakeholders need to meet to discuss the project further.

Councillor P. Roe noted the original proposed routes ran directly along Snyder's Road onto Ira Needles Boulevard. He suggested that consideration be given to including St. Agatha to include more residents.

Mayor L. Armstrong added that all stake holders will be consulted but that not all communities can be included along the route.

- 13.2 Councillor A. Junker advised Council of the Living Well Festival occurring on April 24 and 25 at the Wilmot Recreation Complex. Activities will include roller skating, a coffee house, silent auction and lunch being served by Council. There will also be a trade show of local businesses geared towards healthy living.
- 13.3 Kevin Thomason provided Council with his opinions on the Costco development at the west side of the City of Waterloo. His concerns evolved around the increase in traffic to the area and the potential impact on roads in Wilmot. He cited traffic studies which showed an increase of traffic for the area in the City of Waterloo where the development will occur, City of Waterloo Council decision for a holding zone on the planning application and an Ontario Municipal Board hearing occurring on April 15, 2015 as items for concern. He expressed his belief that the development will increase traffic into the Environmentally Sensitive Landscape area where he lives. He postulated that emergency response times would increase due to the potential traffic increase in Wilmot, that the traffic in St. Agatha will increase and that no businesses in Wilmot will benefit from the Costco development. He concluded his presentation by circulating a handout with recommendations and by stating his concern that the Township of Wilmot has had no consultation on the matter or that Wilmot will not be represented at the Ontario Municipal Board hearing. The handouts from Mr. Thomason's presentation are attached as Appendix A.

The Director of Public Works confirmed for Mayor L. Armstrong that he is on the project teams for all the studies relative to traffic in this regard and that he has attended various meetings on the matter including the recent PIC. Councillors P. Roe and A. Junker confirmed their attendance at the PIC as well.

Councillor P. Roe advised the delegation that responses could have been given to his inquiries and recommendations on this matter had the delegation registered beforehand and that the topic could be added to the April 27, 2015 Agenda. Mr. Thomason confirmed his request to be a delegation at the next Council meeting.

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

15.1 By-law No. 2015-23

Resolution No. 2015-082

Moved by: M. Murray Seconded by: B. Fisher

THAT By-law No. 2015-23 to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at its Meeting held on April 13, 2015 be introduced, read a first, second, and third time and finally passed in Open Council.

CARRIED.

16. ADJOURNMENT (7:44 P.M.)

Resolution No. 2015-083

Moved by: P. Roe Seconded by: M. Murray

THAT we do now adjourn to meet again at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED.

Mayor		
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