

The Corporation of the Village of Oil Springs

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 7, 2020
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Village of Oil Springs Council Chambers
4591 Oil Springs Line, Oil Springs, Ontario

Attendance

Council: Mayor Ian Veen
Councillor Connie McFadden
Councillor Matt Strangway
Councillor Adam Veen
Councillor Larry Wagner

Staff: Erkki Pohjolainen, Clerk-Treasurer
Karen Cook, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
Darren Morningstar, Public Works Superintendent

Delegation: Greg Cameron, Cam-Ron Insurance
Tony Commisso, Frank Cowan Company

Call to Order

Mayor Veen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest/Conflict of Interest

No member of Council made a declaration at this time. Mayor Veen requested Councillors to make the appropriate declaration if necessary, throughout the business of the meeting.

Delegation

Greg Cameron, Broker with Cam-Ron Insurance and Tony Commisso, Account Manager with Frank Cowan Company spoke to the Insurance Renewal Report and answered questions from Council.

**** Messrs. Cameron and Commisso left the meeting at 7:22 p.m. ****

MOTION No. 1 Moved by Councillor Veen
 Seconded by Councillor Wagner
 THAT the Council of the Village of Oil Springs receive the 2020 Municipal Insurance Program, Corporation of the Village of Oil Springs, renewal report as presented.

CARRIED

Adoption of Council Meeting Minutes

MOTION No. 2 Moved by Councillor Veen
 Seconded by Councillor McFadden
 THAT Council of the Village of Oil Springs adopt the following minutes:

- Regular Meeting of Council, December 17, 2019.

CARRIED

Business Arising from Previous Meetings Minutes

None

Public Works Department

Superintendent Morningstar suggested he would look into the cost of equipping road maintenance equipment with GPS systems, as proposed by Mr. Commisso that would be a future requirement for the fleet.

- Mayor Veen asked that he look into such costs.

Superintendent Morningstar spoke to his written monthly report, discussed matters that arose from the report and answered questions from Council.

MOTION No. 3 Moved by Councillor McFadden
 Seconded by Councillor Strangway
 THAT the Public Works Written Report, reviewed by
 Public Works Superintendent Darren Morningstar,
 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**** Mr. Morningstar left the meeting at 7:44 p.m. ****

Staff Reports

None

Councillors' Reports

Councillor Wagner noted that there was not a Fire Board meeting in the fall and questioned if one was anticipated in the near future to deal with the Fire Department budget.

- Mayor Veen noted that the Fire Chief was currently working on the budget and that a meeting should be called soon, and that last year's Fire Department budget meeting was held in March.
 - Councillor Wagner acknowledged that the meeting should be called by the committee chair, Enniskillen Councillor Chad Burke.

Committee Meeting Minutes and Reports

None

Correspondence—Action Required Items

Francis Vielleux, Bluewater Recycling Association, December 24, 2019 re. Transition of the Blue Box Program to Full Producer Responsibility.

MOTION No. 4 Moved by Councillor Wagner
 Seconded by Councillor McFadden
 THAT WHEREAS the amount of single-use plastics
 leaking into our lakes, rivers, waterways is a growing
 area of public concern;

 WHEREAS reducing the waste we generate and
 reincorporating valuable resources from our waste
 stream into new goods can reduce GHGs
 significantly;

 WHEREAS the transition to full producer
 responsibility for packaging, paper and paper
 products is critical to reducing waste, improving
 recycling and driving better economic and
 environmental outcomes;

 WHEREAS the move to a circular economy is a
 global movement, and that the transition of Blue
 Box programs would go a long way toward this
 outcome;

 WHEREAS the municipality is a member of the
 Bluewater Recycling Association which has been
 providing the Blue Box program for the last 30 years
 to its member municipalities;

 WHEREAS the Blue Box program is one of many
 resource management services that is part of an
 integrated system that the Association provides the
 municipality;

 WHEREAS the Village of Oil Springs is supportive of
 a timely, seamless and successful transition of Blue
 Box programs to full financial and operational
 responsibility by producers of packaging, paper and
 paper products;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has requested municipal governments with Blue Box programs to provide an indication of the best date to transition our Blue Box program to full producer responsibility;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Village of Oil Springs would like to transition its Blue Box program to full producer responsibility April 1, 2024, preferably at the same time as all the other Bluewater Recycling Association members;

AND THAT this decision is based on the following rationale:

1. 2023 is too close to the Provincial and Municipal election to plan a seamless transition.
2. January of any year is our busiest time of the year in terms of volume and the weather is not always cooperative making it the worst time of the year to transition.
3. April 1, 2024 date is more suitable if a new service provider is taking over as it removes the uncertainties associated with weather events and our busiest holiday season (January) and our seasonal residents are captive.
4. The recycling service is integrated (co-collection) with the waste collection service in most areas serviced with the same truck at the same time which may be substantially impacted by the transition.
5. The Municipality is part of a cooperative which has invested substantial capital resources that need to be optimized and considered as part of any new system.

AND THAT the Village of Oil Springs through the Bluewater Recycling Association would be interested in providing collection, processing, marketing, and other services to Producers should we be able to arrive at mutually agreeable commercial terms.

AND FURTHER THAT any questions regarding this resolution can be directed to Erkki Pohjolainen, Clerk-Treasurer at 519 834-2939 or clerk@oilsprings.ca and Francis Veilleux, President of the Bluewater Recycling Association at 519-228-6678 or francis@bra.org

AND FURTHER THAT the resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

CARRIED

Correspondence-Information items

- Larry Ryan, President, Frank Cowan Company, received December 16, 2019, re. IFC acquisition of Frank Cowan Company.
- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 234-2019-63, re. Transforming and Modernizing the Delivery of Ontario's Building Code Services.
- St. Clair Conservation Authority, December 17, 2019 re. Planning and Regulations 2020 Fee Schedule – Notice of Change.

- SGS Environmental, December 18, 2019 re. Water/Wastewater Pricing 2020.
- Town of Tecumseh, December 20, 2019 re. Town of Tecumseh Resolution on 911 misdials.

MOTION No. 5 Moved by Councillor Veen
 Seconded by Councillor Wagner
THAT the Council of the Village of Oil Springs receive and file the correspondence presented in Sec. 11.1 through 11.5 of the January 7, 2020 agenda, comprising:

- Larry Ryan, President, Frank Cowan Company, received December 16, 2019, re. IFC acquisition of Frank Cowan Company.
- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 234-2019-63, re. Transforming and Modernizing the Delivery of Ontario’s Building Code Services.
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CARRIED

New Business

2020 Membership fees for Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce; Association Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO); the Associated Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and the Ontario Trails Council.

MOTION No. 6 Moved by Councillor Wagner
 Seconded by Councillor Veen
THAT the Council of the Village of Oil Springs approve payment of 2020 membership fees for Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce; Association Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO); the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO); and the Ontario Trails Council.

CARRIED

Financial Indicator Review prepared by MMAH.

MOTION No. 7 Moved by Councillor McFadden
 Seconded by Councillor Strangway
THAT the Council of the Village of Oil Springs receive as information the Financial Indicator Review prepared on the municipality’s behest by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

CARRIED

Clerk-Treasurer Pohjolainen reported on a meeting the previous day with Matthew Slotwinski from the Sarnia Lambton Economic Partnership, during which Mr. Slotwinski provided information about three programs offered – Starter Company Plus, Student Summer Company and Digital Mainstreet Program.

Accounts

Village of Oil Springs General Pay List December 18, 2019 to January 7, 2020.

- MOTION NO. 8 Moved by Councillor Veen
 Seconded by Councillor Strangway
THAT the accounts, as listed, be approved by the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Oil Springs for payment:
- Village of Oil Springs General Pay List December 18, 2019 to January 7, 2020.

CARRIED

Closed Meeting

The Mayor requested that Council move to meet in-camera to review minutes of the December 3, 2019 in-camera meeting and to discuss the following:

- a) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – review of minutes and staff remuneration.

- MOTION No. 9 Moved by Councillor Wagner
 Seconded by Councillor McFadden
THAT the time being 8:08 p.m. Council of the Village of Oil Springs move into an In-Camera Meeting of Council pursuant to Section 239 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, for the following reason:
- a. personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – review of minutes and staff remuneration.

CARRIED

- MOTION No. 10 Moved by Councillor Wagner
 Seconded by Councillor Veen
THAT the time being 8:24 p.m. Council of the Village of Oil Springs reconvene its open Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

- MOTION No. 11 Moved by Councillor Wagner
 Seconded by Councillor McFadden
THAT the in-camera minutes of December 3, 2019 be adopted by the Council of the Village of Oil Springs and remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with the exemptions provided in the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*:

CARRIED

- MOTION No. 12 Moved by Councillor Wagner
 Seconded by Councillor McFadden
THAT wages for Village of Oil Springs employees be increased as follows, effective January 1, 2020:
- Clerk-Treasurer, increase of 2%;
 - Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, increase of 2%;
 - Public Works Superintendent, increase of 2%;
 - Public Works Labourers, increase of 2%; and
 - Cleaning staff increase of 2%.

CARRIED

By-Laws

By-Law No. 854 of 2020, a By-law authorizing the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Village of Oil Springs for the year 2020.

MOTION NO. 13 Moved by Councillor Strangway
 Seconded by Councillor Wagner

THAT By-law No. 854 of 2020, a By-law authorizing the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Village of Oil Springs for the year 2020; and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the said By-Law.

CARRIED

By-Law No. 855 of 2020, a By-law to confirm all Resolutions of the Council Meeting held on January 7, 2020.

MOTION NO. 14 Moved by Councillor Strangway
 Seconded by Councillor Wagner

THAT 855 of 2020, being a By-Law to confirm all Resolutions of the Council Meeting held January 7, 2020 be read a first time, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed this 7th day of January, 2020; and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the said By-Law.

CARRIED

Adjournment

MOTION NO. 17 Moved by Councillor McFadden
 Seconded by Councillor Veen

THAT the time being 8:29 p.m., this Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned; and

THAT the next Regular Meeting of Council be held Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Ian Veen, Mayor

Erkki Pohjolainen
Clerk-Treasurer