

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MCDOUGALL

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2006 AT 7:12 P.M.

MINUTES

Present:

Councillor	D. Adams
Councillor	K. Dixon (Chairperson)
Councillor	J. Gilchrist
Councillor	J. Johnson
	and
CAO/Clerk	G. Eaton
Treasurer	D. Chapman
Director of Recreation/Fire Chief	B. Leduc
Deputy Clerk	C. Vankoughnett

Regrets: Mayor D. Robinson

A Special meeting of Council preceded the general committee meeting.

The regular committee meeting was called to order by chairman Dixon at 7:12 p.m.

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

2. **PRIORITIZATION OF AGENDA**

The Committee noted that Ms. Lewis was in the audience and therefore requested item 11.iv). be forwarded to section 3.ii).

3. **DEPUTATIONS**

- i) Gordon Reimpel, Festival of the Sound.
Re: Economic update for Festival of the Sound.
Mr. Reimpel was present to present an economic update for the Festival of the Sound. He explained that he was approaching each Municipal Council to help create awareness of the value the Festival brings to this area. He also noted that the Festival is now being held at the Stockey Centre which has had positive feed back. Mr. Reimpel reported on a program which is run by the Festival called

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Music Scores, he noted this program is a musical education program for school children in grades 4, 5 & 6 and that the Festival is hoping to develop long term funding for this program. It was also noted that the Festival employs summer students from this area as well.

Mr. Reimpel reviewed the expenditures of the Festival with the Committee and requested that the Committee consider funding the Festival.

The Committee thanked Mr. Reimpel for his presentation and noted his funding request would be forwarded to budget deliberations.

ii) Jane Lewis.

Re: Application to use sections of unopened road allowance.

Ms. Lewis was present and reported on the portion of road allowance she would like to use. She also noted that she has verbal approval from the Ministry of Transportation.

The CAO noted that there is two possible routes that Ms. Lewis could possibly use , the first one being a quarter of a mile in off of Highway No. 124, the second being an approach from the east of the property. The CAO also noted he had reviewed the process with Ms. Lewis with this step being the first step in the process.

The Committee questioned Ms. Lewis on the proposed use of the road allowances in which she noted she would like to put a driveway in.

The Committee cautioned that at any time through the process, if they see a problem with this request, it may be denied.

The Committee thanked Ms. Lewis for her attendance and requested a resolution be brought forward.

Matters Arising.

Nil.

4. BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

i) Complaint regarding crushing operations.

The CAO noted that this complaint was brought forward at the Council meeting of March 15, 2006 and since then he has talked to the proponent and advised him that Fowlers will be caling to discuss the issue. He also advised the proponent that if the crushing persists that he may contact the municipality and by-law will be dispatched to the area.

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The Committee also requested a review of the Municipal noise by-law be undertaken.

- ii) Proposed By-Law 2006-08.
Re: Being a by-law to regulate trades, occupations, business, hawkers and peddlers.
The Committee reviewed this proposed by-law and requested it be brought forward.

Matters Arising.

Nil.

5. **PLANNING/BUILDING**

Nil.

Matters Arising.

Nil.

6. **FIRE PROTECTION**

Matters Arising.

- i) Fire Chief Brian Leduc noted that he is implementing a training program for Municipal Fire Fighters regarding the operating of personnel vehicles while responding to emergency calls.
- ii) Mr. Leduc also reported that at the recent fire conference, the fire Marshall made a presentation regarding new legislation on smoke alarms. Mr. Leduc noted he requested a copy of the training tool associated with this presentation so that he may incorporate our facts into it so that presentations can be made to schools, churches etc.
- iii) Mr. Leduc noted that he was in Court on Monday, March 27, 2006 regarding an arson charge. He noted that a conviction was handed down.

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7. RECREATION

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- i) Mr. Leduc gave an update on the steering committee highway 69/recreational trail reconstruction. He noted he is very pleased with the co-operation of the Committee and noted that the Ministry of Transportation is working with them to try and find an amicable solution. He also noted that an information flyer was delivered to each household along the Nobel portion of Highway 69. Mr. Leduc informed the Committee that the next meeting of the steering committee is scheduled for April 4, 2006, in which at that time the MTO has advised that they will have their official comments available.
- ii) Councillor Dixon noted he was speaking to Paul Bushey regarding the extra rock for the snowmobile trail, Mr. Bushey informed him that Garson Pipe who is the contractor for the installation of the new waterline was not aware of the placement of extra rock for the snowmobile trail.
The Committee requested the CAO to contact the project manager regarding this issue and also to caution against dumping the rock on private property.

8. PUBLIC WORKS

- i) Thank You card from Mr. Curtis.
Re: Thanking the Public Works department for a good job on winter maintenance this year.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence and also noted their thanks as well.

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- i) The CAO noted that they received road damage on a summer maintenance road at the far end of Lorimer Lake Road and as a result the road has been posted "Closed Use At Your Own Risk". He also noted that the ratepayer responsible for the damage has been contacted and notified he will be held responsible for the damage, he noted he is looking at rocking this roadway and will seek permission from the Municipality.

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9. ENVIRONMENT

- i) Martin Ince.
 - a) Re: Copy of e-mail to Garfield Eaton regarding agreement for annual monitoring report.
After reviewing this item it was the decision of the Committee to accept the recommendation of the CAO to tender this service.
 - b) Re: Copy of the 2005 annual monitoring report.
The Committee noted their receipt of the report with the CAO noting that a copy is in office and located on the front counter.
- ii) Copy of Fax Message from CAO to Al Hussey, MCS.
Re: Surcharges in MCS's account analysis.
The CAO reported on this issue noting that the overcharge he was original dealing with was a processing fee and that the contract with MCS has expired.
The Committee directed the CAO to request the necessary information from MCS so that an agreement could be brought forward.

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- i) The CAO noted that the leachate haulage contract with Day Transport has expired and that a cost has been negotiated with them.
The CAO recommended the renewal of the contract and also advised that this gives the Municipality two leachate processing sites, which was recommended by the Ministry of Environment.
The Committee directed the CAO to proceed with the renewal of this service.
- ii) Replacement of the Landfill Gator.
The CAO noted the gator at the landfill has not been replaced and that this needs to be completed. He also noted that Tim Hunt advised that for safety purposes the new gator should have a roll bar which was priced at an extra \$1,300.00 and requested a diesel engine.

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After discussion of this matter the Committee directed staff to proceed with the replacement of the gator with the roll bar but not the diesel engine.

The CAO also noted that he received the new insurance policy which has increased 20% and advised the Committee that the Treasurer has prepared a request for proposal regarding this matter.

The Committee directed the Treasurer to proceed with the request for proposal.

- iii) Councillor Adams noted he read a report in the North Star regarding funding for the Municipality for roads and bridges, and requested clarification.

The CAO noted that the Municipality was not informed of this, and that he will get further information from the Province when it comes available.

10. **FINANCE**

- i) Accounts Payable Listing.
Councillor Adams declared a pecuniary interest with regards to three cheques on the payroll and did not participate in discussion or vote on the matter.
- ii) Parry Sound Station Gallery.
Re: Requesting financial support.
The Committee reviewed this request and directed this item be forwarded to budget deliberations.
- iii) Perry Harris, Parry Sound Area Heritage Visual Project.
Re: Update on the status of the Parry Sound Area Heritage Visual project and request for funding.
The Committee reviewed this request and directed this item be forwarded to budget deliberations.

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- i) Chairman Dixon on behalf of Council took this time to welcome Treasurer Darcy Chapman to the Municipality.

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- ii) Councillor Adams questioned the invoice from Fowlers regarding winter sand, the CAO noted that Fowlers honoured their original tendered price.
Councillor Adams also questioned the cheque to Cambrian Ford, with CAO noting this is the amount that was negotiated and previously reported.

11. ADMINISTRATION

- i) Ministry of Transportation.
 - a) Re: Copy of a letter to Paul Bushey, re: relocation of snowmobile trails.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence and noted that the CAO is to contact Mr. Bushey to reiterate Council's support.
 - b) Re: Draft resolution for proposed Avro Arrow Road and reconfiguration of intersection.
The CAO reviewed this correspondence with the Committee noting the placement of signs as well as the reconfiguration of the intersection of the old highway 69 and Hammel area.
The Committee directed staff to put the Ministry of Transportation on notice that the Municipality will be proposing to place a decorative welcome sign along the new highway. The Committee also requested a resolution be brought forward.
- ii) Conestoga-Rovers.
Re: CRA named one of Canada's 50 best managed companies.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence.
- iii) Hydro One Networks Inc.
Re: Notice of application to the Ontario Energy Board to increase rates.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence.
- iv) Ministry of Natural Resources.
Re: MNR Transformation.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence.
- v) Belvedere Heights.
Re: Invitation to a meeting April 20, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. regarding an update on Belvedere's financial position.

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It was noted that Councillor Adams will attend and Councillor Johnson indicated that if the Mayor could not attend, he would.

- vi) District of Parry Sound Municipal Association.
Re: Spring Association meeting to be held Monday, May 1, 2006 and minutes of the meeting held October 3, 2005.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence and noted that if anyone could attend to please let the CAO know.
- vii) 2006 Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Conference.
Re: Invitation to participate in the conference which is being hosted by the Town of Parry Sound on June 21 -23, 2006.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence and noted that if anyone could attend to please let the CAO know.
- viii) Copy of a Letter Sent to Ms. K. Chan, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.
Re: Nobel Water Project.
The CAO reviewed this correspondence with the Committee and noted that he spoke to Ms. Chan who is going to respond by the end of the week.
- ix) Copy of a Letter Sent to Mr. A. Dimatteo, Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation.
Re: Nobel Water Project.
The CAO reviewed this correspondence with the Committee.
- x) The Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound, District Land Ambulance Budget Approval.
Re: Requested balance sheet.
The Committee reviewed this correspondence with the CAO noting the proposed retirement of Don Brisbane.

Matters Arising

Nil.

12. **NOTICES AND INFORMATION**

The Committee reviewed the following notices and information with no action indicated with the exception of item iii).

- i) Belvedere Heights.
Re: Minutes of a meeting held February 15, 2006.

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- ii) West Parry Sound POA Partners.
Re: Minutes of a meeting held March 2, 2006.
- iii) Conestoga Rovers & Associates.
Re: Copy of a letter to Greg Washuta, Ministry of the Environment, re: McDougall Landfill certificate of approval.
The CAO noted that Conestoga Rovers and Associates will be attending the Council meeting scheduled for April 5, 2005 to further discuss this matter.
- iv) District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board.
Re: Minutes of a meeting held February 9, 2006.

Matters Arising

Nil.

13. **REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT**

- i) Community Policing and Advisory Committee.
Re: Requesting support of a resolution which petitions the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of the Public Safety and Security – Police Services Branch, that the provincial responsibilities, along with the municipal responsibilities must be balanced with the area's service demands.
The Committee reviewed this request with no action indicated.
- ii) Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters.
Re: Requesting support for the 2006 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend.
The Committee directed a resolution be brought forward.
- iii) Jamie McGarvey, Town of Parry Sound Councillor and EMS Committee Chairman.
Re: Request for support of a resolution which recommends the West Parry Sound Health Centre make application to become a designated stroke centre.
The Committee requested additional information regarding the hospital having the adequate amount of staff to supply this service.
This request was deferred until additional information could be obtained.

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14. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- i) Sign by-law to be brought forward.
No action indicated.
- ii) Proposed Pit and Quarry By-law.
No action indicated.
- iii) MTO Road Transfers.
This issue has been ratified.
- iv) White Beaver Island Parking Area.
The Director of Recreation noted he has accepted a quote from a surveyor in the amount of \$1,500.00 and who noted that the survey would hopefully be complete by the first week of May.
- v) Nobel Beach Upgrade.
The CAO recommended forwarding the item to a future years capital budget.
The Committee accept the recommendation of the CAO and also requested staff to obtain an estimate for the repair of the Taylor Beach Ramp.
- vi) Official Plan Update.
The CAO noted he met with John Jackson to review this issue and noted that Mr. Jackson would have a report prepared for the April 19, 2006 Committee meeting.
- vii) Policy on Sale of Shore Road/Road Allowances.
The CAO reviewed the amended Shore/Road Allowance application noting that the Municipal Act no longer requires posting of the notices and recommended bringing this forward.
The Committee directed a resolution be brought forward.
- viii) Lk & K Inv.
Re: Proposed Plan of Subdivision.
The CAO noted this was on hold until we could get a per metre cost for the water line.

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- ix) Adams Brothers Construction Ltd.
Re: Grease trap waste.
This request was withdrawn.

- x) Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce.
Re: Representation of board member.
The Committee noted that it would be advantageous to have a resident business person sit on this board on behalf of McDougall. Councillor Dixon noted he would speak to Grant Felsman to see if he is interested.

Matters Arising.

Nil.

15. **NEW BUSINESS**

Nil.

16. **REPORT OF THE CAO**

The CAO reported on the following:

- The Economic Strategy Committee has requested a Closed Session meeting for the April 5th Council meeting as well Conestoga Rovers will also be attending to do an update on the landfill and questioned whether the Committee wanted to start the meeting at 6:00 p.m. as opposed to 7:00 p.m.

After discussion of this matter it was the decision of the Committee that they would meet with the Economic Committee at 6:00 p.m.

- A meeting has to be scheduled to review the proposed water costs. The Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

- The Treasurer has been reviewing financing for the new water project and will in the future also review the Municipality's banking proposal.

- More information on the funding for McDougall through the Ontario Budget will be forthcoming, but for now it looks as though \$277,000.00 will be allocated to McDougall.

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- The DSAB's budget has increase by 8 %, the CAO will confirm what McDougall's proposed levy will be.
- On April 25, 2006 the CBDC will host a meeting regarding the Doctor recruitment for the area and also present the CBDC annual report.
- On April 12, 2006 Telus Mobility will be using the Council Chambers for a public meeting, a copy of the notice was circulated to the Committee.
- Due to a surplus the Parry Sound Area Planning Board may not have a levy this year.

17. **BUDGET CHANGES AND REVISIONS**

The CAO reported that the Operations budget is completed and the Capital portion will be completed by weeks end. He noted the full package will be available at the April 5th Council meeting at which time budget meetings will have to be scheduled.

18. **CLOSED SESSION**

There were no items for closed session.

19. **RATIFICATION OF MATTERS FROM CLOSED SESSION.**

Nil.

20. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned at 9:35 p.m.