

CORPORATION OF TOWNSHIP OF ADMASTON/BROMLEY

SECOND MONTHLY MEETING

Council met for their second monthly meeting at the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday, December 21st, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael Donohue, Deputy Mayor Robert Dick and Councillors Bob Hall, Mike Quilty and Kevin LeGris

Staff members present were Clerk-Treasurer Annette Gilchrist, Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Mitchell Ferguson. From the media was Rick Stow from MYFM and Oldies 107.7 and also present was Mr. David Stahn.

Mayor Michael Donohue called the meeting to order followed with a moment of silence.

Resolution No. 12/12/17

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the agenda as presented this date.

“Carried”

The minutes of the regular Council meeting which was held December 7, 2017 were provided to Council for approval and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 13/12/17

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on December 7th, 2017.

“Carried”

Mayor Donohue read a thank you note from the National Farmers Union for the use of the Barr Line Community Centre in 2017.

Planning and Economic Development Committee - Chair Bob Hall,
Committee Member Kevin LeGris

A Zoning By-Law Amendment was brought forward from the public planning meeting held prior to the Council meeting. Upon consideration Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 14/12/17

Moved by Bob Hall, seconded by Kevin LeGris

Be it resolved that Council approve the passing of a By-Law amending By-Law 2004-13 for the purpose of rezoning the severed lands in B75/17(1) from Rural (RU) to Rural – Exception Twenty-Five (RU-E25) to permit the existing accessory building on the lot before the principal or main use, the severed lands in B76/17(2) from Agriculture (A) to Rural – Exception Twenty Four (RU-E24) to reduce the minimum lot frontage from 45 metres to 6.5 metres and the retained lands from Agriculture (A) to Agriculture – Exception Thirty Six (A-E36) to prohibit residential uses.

“Carried”

A request for support from Canadian Nuclear Laboratories regarding their application to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission for renewal of its operating license was considered by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 15/12/17

Moved by Bob Hall, seconded by Kevin LeGris

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Admaston/Bromley supports the proposed 10-year renewal of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) operating licence for the Chalk River Laboratories site.

And further that a letter be sent to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission indicating the important role CNL plays in our community and their contribution to the economic development of the Ottawa Valley.

“Carried”

Community Service Committee Chair Kevin LeGris, Committee Member Bob Hall

A letter from the Sunshine Coach Service and by-law to authorize the Town of Renfrew to receive the Dedicated Gas Tax funds on behalf of the Township of Admaston/Bromley was presented to Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No 16/12/17

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves a by-law to declare support for the Sunshine Coach Service and agrees that the Town of Renfrew will receive and be responsible for dedicated gas tax funds from the Province of Ontario on behalf of the Township and that a financial contribution will be made on an annual basis.

“Carried”

Mayor Donohue noted that the Provincial Gas Tax is allocated strictly to transit such as the Sunshine Coach and that the Town of Renfrew will receive a total of \$235,300 of Provincial Gas Tax in 2018 which includes the amounts on behalf of its neighbouring municipalities. The only other Provincial Gas Tax dollars received in the County of Renfrew go to the City of Pembroke in the amount of \$112,000 and includes Laurentian Valley’s allocation as well. Renfrew County generates approximately \$4 to 5 Million Dollars from the 2 cents per litre charged by the Province for this fund and only receives back approximately \$350,000. The Mayor stated that the Township intends to pursue the inequity of this funding imbalance in 2018.

Public Works Committee – Chair Robert Dick, All of Council

The Roads Voucher dated December 15, 2017 was provided to Council for approval and reviewed by Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski. Upon consideration the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 17/12/17

Moved by Robert Dick, seconded by Mike Quilty

Be it resolved that Council approve payment of the Roads Voucher dated December 15th, 2017 in the amount of \$84,570.37.

“Carried”

The Job Cost Expenditure Report dated December 12, 2017 was reported on by Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski and accepted as information.

Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski presented Council with a slide show of all the construction projects completed in 2017.

Council reviewed the OGRA Heads Up newsletter which noted that MTO Extended the Two Way Radio Exemption until January 1st, 2021 and accepted it as information. Council had previously requested a permanent exemption for public work functions.

Budget and Finance and Human Resources - Chair Michael Donohue,
Committee Member - All of Council

The General Voucher dated November 11th to December 15th, 2017 was presented to Council for approval. Upon review, the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 18/12/17

Moved by Robert Dick, seconded by Mike Quilty

Be it resolved that Council approve payment of the General Voucher dated November 11th to December 15th, 2017 in the amount of \$649,577.05.

“Carried”

The Tax Report dated November 30th, 2017 was reported on by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Mitchell Ferguson and accepted as information.

The Budgetary Control Report was reviewed by Clerk-Treasurer Annette Gilchrist and accepted as information.

Protective Services – Chair Mike Quilty, Committee Member Robert Dick

The following reports were reviewed by Council and accepted as information:

- Minutes of the Douglas Fire Committee Meeting held November 1st 2017 and the Fire Chief’s reports for December 6th, 2017
- Minutes of the Police Services Board from November 23rd, 2017

Councillor Quilty reported that the Admaston/Bromley and Renfrew Police Service Boards shared the cost of a Drinking and Driving sign at Ma-te-way Arena. He further reported that the Dacre and Area Community Association was approved for a grant to install a generator in 2018 with contributions from Admaston/Bromley, Greater Madawaska and the Association. Councillor Quilty also noted that the Township’s Community Emergency Management Coordinator and Chair of the Emergency Management Committee Peter D’Andrea has resigned. The Alternate CEMC Daryl Thom has stepped up to the position and letters are being mailed out to try and attract new members for the Committee.

County of Renfrew

A request from Peter Emon, AMO Board Member, regarding the Local Share Proposal developed by AMO was reviewed by Council and the following resolution was passed with a request for a recorded vote:

Resolution No. 19/12/17

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Whereas the Township of Admaston/Bromley through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Local Share proposal will receive **\$473,235** in annual sustainable funding and all communities in Renfrew County will receive a total of **\$26,541,120** which municipalities will be obligated to invest in planned improvement of vital municipal infrastructure;

And Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) estimates that municipal governments face an annual shortfall of approximately **\$4.9 billion dollars** over the next 10 years as they struggle to maintain current services and address their local infrastructure gap;

And Whereas local municipal governments simply cannot close the \$4.9 billion gap using property taxes alone, as tax bills would need to **double** over the next decade, having an enormous negative impact on our economy, our seniors and low-income residents hardest of all;

And Whereas the Local Share proposal demonstrates a dedicated **1%** sales tax could generate **\$2.5 billion** annually for municipal infrastructure and services, the Local Share proposal would help to bridge the gap, while helping municipal governments manage the pressure on property taxes;

And Whereas municipal governments own more than twice as much of Ontario's infrastructure as federal and provincial ownership combined, our roads, bridges and other assets are in need of repair and investment, needed repair and work that has been delayed because of a lack of consistent and sustainable funding;

And Whereas municipal governments across the County of Renfrew and the Province of Ontario need and will continue to need a variety of dependable, multi year and sustainable funding sources to repair, maintain and build strong communities today and in the future;

And Whereas municipal governments provide services such as police, fire and ambulance services, roads and bridges, public transit, water and wastewater treatment, recreational programs, waste management, social housing, and public health, all of which is mandated by the senior levels of government in Ontario and Canada, these services are delivered while receiving only **9 cents** of every tax dollar raised in Ontario;

And Whereas the Canadian and Ontario governments are almost wholly dependent upon municipal infrastructure for the generation of economic activity in our communities, economic activity from which they derive tax revenue, and are reluctant to consistently and equitably invest in renewing or improving the municipal infrastructure they benefit from utilizing;

And Whereas the Local Share ensures that everyone who uses municipal services — residents, businesses and tourists — helps to pay for them as they are renewed, expanded or repaired;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley strongly supports the Local Share Proposal developed by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and believes it to be crucial to the economic well-being of our community as it will assist in the timely repair, replacement or renewal of municipal infrastructure which is utilized daily to support the local, provincial and national economy.

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Kathleen Wynne, Patrick Brown, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario, Ms. Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party, to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and our local municipal councils and the City of Pembroke.

Bob Hall – against
Kevin LeGris – against
Mike Quilty - for
Robert Dick – for
Michael Donohue – for

“Carried”

By-Laws

Resolution No 20/12/17

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

THAT the By-Laws listed below dated December 21, 2017 be enacted and passed:

- By-Law 2017-60 being a by-law to amend By-Law No 2004-13
- By-Law 2017-61 being a By-Law to declare support for the Sunshine Coach Service and agree that the Town of Renfrew will receive and be responsible for Dedicated Gas Tax Funds on behalf of the Township and that a financial contribution will be made on an annual basis

“Carried”

Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution No. 21/12/17

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

That By-Law No. 2017-62, being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley at the meeting held December 21, 2017 be now numbered, deemed read three times and passed.

“Carried”

Mayor Donohue noted that the adjournment resolution would be the last resolution with our Canada 150 logo and thanked staff, Council and the Canada 150 Committee for their contribution to the Sesquicentennial celebrations this year.

Mayor Donohue further noted that to commemorate this year the Township of Admaston/Bromley has commissioned a book entitled Echoes and Ripples which highlights the Township’s local history as well as its contributions to our Country as a whole. These books will be available in January 2018.

Resolution No. 22/12/17

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

BE IT RESOLVED that the Thursday December 21st 2017 Admaston/Bromley Council meeting be adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

“Carried”

Mayor

Clerk/ Treasurer