

CORPORATION OF TOWNSHIP OF ADMASTON/BROMLEY

SECOND MONTHLY MEETING

Council met for their second monthly meeting at the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 7:30 pm. Present were Mayor Michael Donohue, Deputy Mayor Mike Quilty, Councillors Bob Hall, Kevin LeGris and Robert Dick.

Staff members present were Clerk-Treasurer Annette Gilchrist, Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Mitchell Ferguson. From the public was Peter McBride.

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

Resolution No. 14/01/19

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded Robert Dick

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

“Carried”

The January 3, 2019 minutes were provided to Council for approval and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 15/01/19

Moved by: Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the minutes of the regular Council meeting held January 3, 2019.

“Carried”

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

The County of Renfrew Planning Tracker reports for November and December 2018 were reviewed by Council and accepted as information.

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. 16/01/19

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 retained lands in Consent Files B83/18(1) and B84/18(2) to prohibit residential uses located on Lots 7 & 8, Range North East of Bonnechere River, in the geographic Township of Admaston, now in the Township of Admaston/Bromley, and known municipally as 1925 Highway 60 from Agriculture (A) to Agriculture – Exception Thirty Seven (A-E37).

“Carried”

A consent application submitted by Douglas Farquharson was considered by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 17/01/19

Moved by: Bob Hall, seconded by Kevin LeGris

Be it resolved that Admaston/Bromley Council accept in principle Consent Application B104/18 submitted by Douglas Farquharson so long as requirements of commenting agencies are satisfied.

“Carried”

Community Service Committee Chair Kevin LeGris, Committee Member Bob Hall

A By-Law to appoint a By-Law Enforcement Officer was considered by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No 18/01/19

Moved by: Kevin LeGris, seconded by: Bob Hall

Be it resolved that Council approves a By-Law appointing a Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer for the Township of Admaston/Bromley for the years 2019 and 2020.

“Carried”

Operations Committee Chair Robert Dick, All of Council

The Roads Voucher dated December 31st, 2018 was provided to Council for approval and reviewed by Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski. Upon consideration the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 19/01/19

Moved by Robert Dick, seconded by Mike Quilty

Be it resolved that Council approve payment of the Roads Voucher dated December 31st, 2018 in the amount of \$92,997.28.

“Carried”

Public Works Superintendent Chris Kunopaski reviewed the Job Cost Expenditure Report dated December 31st, 2018.

Waste Management Committee - Chair Kevin LeGris, All of Council

Mayor Donohue reported that we received approval of our delegation with the Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference regarding our Landfill Expansion Application and that a report will come forward at a future Council meeting.

Finance and Administration Committee - Chair Michael Donohue, All of Council

The General Voucher dated December 31st, 2018 was provided to Council and reviewed by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Mitchell Ferguson. Upon consideration the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 20/01/19

Moved by Robert Dick, seconded by Mike Quilty

Be it resolved that Council approve payment of the General Voucher dated December 15 to December 31, 2018 in the amount of \$182,599.18

“Carried”

Deputy Clerk Treasurer Mitchell Ferguson reviewed the Budgetary Control Report dated December 31st, 2018.

Council reviewed the Minister of Finance letter dated December 21, 2018 and AMO response of the same date regarding the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund review and delay in allocation notices to municipalities. Upon consideration the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 21/01/19

Moved by: Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is reviewing the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) to drive efficiencies and value-for-money while working with municipalities to return the program to what it was initially intended to do — support the Northern and rural municipalities that need it the most;

AND WHEREAS our total assessment for 2018 was \$402,561,575 of which 31% or \$126,089,174 of assessment is derived from farm and managed forests;

AND WHEREAS our municipality by regulation applies only 25% of the residential tax rate to farm and managed forest properties, thereby creating for our Township a dependency upon the OMPF;

AND WHEREAS the Farmland Tax Program and the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program were designed by the Ontario Government to support sustainable lower food costs and protect forests for environmental and recreational purposes;

AND WHEREAS the Farm Tax Rebate Program and the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program were previously funded in full by the Ontario Government yet are now funded exclusively through the municipal property tax levy;

AND WHEREAS all residents of Ontario have a vested interest in maintaining lower-cost foods and protecting forests;

AND WHEREAS the Farm Tax Rebate Program provides lower-cost foods across the province, as well as the economic benefit of exporting produce and is truly an income-redistributive program with province wide significance;

AND WHEREAS this intolerable inequity downloads social goods on municipal property owners and in particular those with a large agricultural or managed forest component,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we demand the Province of Ontario to consider the Farmland and Managed Forest Tax Programs when reviewing the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) so that all municipalities receive full cost recovery from the Province of foregone property tax revenue on farmland and managed forest properties;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke, all municipalities in Renfrew County including the County of Renfrew and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

“Carried”

Protective Services - Chair Mike Quilty, Committee Member Robert Dick

The Douglas Fire Committee minutes from December 5th, 2018 and January 2019 Fire Chiefs report were reviewed by Council and accepted as information.

Deputy Mayor Quilty reported that the next Police Services Board meeting is on January 22, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

County of Renfrew - Mayor Michael Donohue

Mayor Donohue reported that County completed the new Council orientation and the budget workshop is next Wednesday and possibly Thursday if not completed and it is open to the public.

By-Laws:

Resolution No 22/01/19

Moved by: Kevin LeGris, seconded by: Bob Hall

THAT the By-Laws listed below dated January 17, 2019 be enacted and passed:

- By-Law 2019-09 – being a By-Law to amend By-Law 2004-13
- By-Law 2019-10 – being a By-Law to appoint a By-Law Enforcement Officer for the Township of Admaston/Bromley

“Carried”

New Business

Mayor Donohue noted that Saturday January 19th, 2019 will be a day of celebrations in Admaston/Bromley commencing with the unveiling of “The Hockey Sweaters” at 11 a.m. that Teresa and Wayne Remus are loaning to the Admaston/Bromley Public Library. The sweaters were recently on display at the National Arts Centre to coincide with the performance of Roch Carrier’s, The Hockey Sweater: A Musical. This event is followed by a 90th birthday party for Kevin Wren at the Cobden Legion from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution No 23/01/19

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

THAT By-Law No 2019-11, being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley at the meeting held January 17, 2019 be now numbered, deemed read three times and passed.

“Carried”

Resolution No. 24/01/19

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Thursday January 17, 2019 Admaston/Bromley Council meeting be adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

“Carried”

Mayor

Clerk/ Treasurer