

The MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE (PUBLIC WORKS/PLANNING/COMMUNITY & LEISURE SERVICES) held a Meeting at the Municipal Office in Chantry on **Tuesday, October 10, 2017.**

Mayor Holman called the Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Roll Call was taken and the following Members of Council were in attendance: Mayor Holman, Deputy Mayor Claire Gunnewiek, Councillors Jeff Banks, Linda Carr, Rob Dunfield, Arie Hoogenboom, Bob Lavoie, Cathy Livingston and Ron Pollard.

Councillor Monck was absent with prior notice.

Also in attendance were Michael Dwyer, CAO; Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk; Dan Chant, Roads Coordinator; Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services and Sue Dunfield, Manager of Community & Leisure Services.

Members of the Public and Press in attendance as attached hereto.

Mayor Holman asked if there were any emergency additions to the agenda and none were noted.

Moved By: Councillor Livingston
Seconded By: Councillor Carr

To pass a Resolution that;

The agenda be approved and adopted as presented.

Carried:

Mayor Holman asked if any Committee Member had a Pecuniary Interest on any Item on the Agenda and none were heard.

DELEGATIONS:

Mr. Bob Bolton was in attendance to address Committee regarding the ditching along Big Rideau Lake Road.

RECOMMENDATION #125-2017

Moved By: Councillor Dunfield
Seconded By: Councillor Banks

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the presentation by Mr. Bob Bolton regarding ditching that took place along Big Rideau Lake Road.

Carried:

Mr. Rob Ross, Forestry Technician for the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, was in attendance to address Committee regarding invasive species and weed spraying.

RECOMMENDATION #126-2017

Moved By: Councillor Lavoie
Seconded By: Councillor Pollard

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the presentation by Mr. Rob Ross, Forestry Technician with the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, regarding invasive species and weed spraying.

Carried:

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:

Mike Dwyer, CAO, provided Committee with a verbal and written Departmental Update.

RECOMMENDATION #127-2017

Moved By: Councillor Banks
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Departmental Update regarding Permit and Application Year to Year Comparison and September 2017 Permit and Application Activity as provided by Mike Dwyer, CAO.

Carried:

PUBLIC WORKS:

ROADS:

Dan Chant, Roads Coordinator, provided Committee with a verbal and written and written Reports regarding the following:

- Roads Progress Report
- Traffic Counts
- Truck Restrictions

Roads Progress Report:

RECOMMENDATION #128-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr

Seconded By: Councillor Hoogenboom

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Roads Progress Report as provided by Dan Chant, Roads Coordinator.

Carried:

RECOMMENDATION #129-2017

Moved By: Councillor Hoogenboom
Seconded By: Councillor Carr

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Traffic Count Report as provided by Dan Chant, Roads Coordinator;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the speed analysis included in the report be forwarded to the O.P.P.

Carried:

RECOMMENDATION #130-2017

Moved By: Councillor Hoogenboom
Seconded By: Councillor Dunfield

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Report regarding Truck Restrictions as provided by Dan Chant, Roads Coordinator;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the recommendation included in the report be adopted.

Carried:

MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES:

Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services, provided Committee with a verbal and written Municipal Properties Update.

RECOMMENDATION #131-2017

Moved By: Councillor Pollard
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Municipal Properties Update as provided by Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services.

Carried:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES:

Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services, provided Committee with verbal and written Reports regarding the following:

- Environmental Services Update
- Large Item Pick up
- CBC Report: Ontario Considers Ban on Throwing Organic Waste into the Trash

Environmental Services Update:

Moved By: Councillor Carr
Seconded By: Councillor Lavoie

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services provided a verbal and written Environmental Services Update to Committee;

AND WHEREAS the motor has failed in one of the 2014 collection trucks and requires a motor replacement;

AND WHEREAS Staff have investigated and provided options to Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Environmental Services Update as provided by Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that with regard to the 2014 collection truck that the gas motor be replaced;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that Staff be authorized to approach the three potentially interested parties for the sale of the 2009 compactor garbage truck and set a deadline of October 20 for accepting bids;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the Brush Voucher Program, entitling each household to one free truckload of brush disposal at the Portland Waste Site, be approved for 2018;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that Labour Day weekend each year mark the final Sunday Depot Island Service, due to lack of use, benefiting the taxpayers with costs savings of approximately \$2,000 per year.

Discussion was held and the following amending motion was brought forward:

RECOMMENDATION #132-2017

Moved By: Councillor Hoogenboom
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends to Council that the last paragraph in the main motion be amended to read:

- AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the 2nd weekend after labour day each year mark the final Sunday Depot Island Service.

Carried:

RECOMMENDATION #133-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr
Seconded By: Councillor Lavoie

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services, provided a verbal and written Environmental Services Update to Committee;

AND WHEREAS the motor has failed in one of the 2014 collection trucks and requires a motor replacement;

AND WHEREAS Staff have investigated and provided options to Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Environmental Services Update as provided by Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that with regard to the 2014 collection truck that the gas motor be replaced;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that Staff be authorized to approach the three potentially interested parties for the sale of the 2009 compactor garbage truck and set a deadline of October 20 for accepting bids;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the Brush Voucher Program, entitling each household to one free truckload of brush disposal at the Portland Waste Site, be approved for 2018;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the 2nd weekend after Labour Day each year mark the final Sunday Depot Island Service.

Carried:

RECOMMENDATION #134-2017

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek
Seconded By: Councillor Carr

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends to Council that the Sunday Depot Service currently at the Glovers Boat Launch be moved to the Battams Road Boat Launch for 2018.

Carried:

Large Item Pickup:

RECOMMENDATION #135-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr
Seconded By: Councillor Pollard

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS Staff was instructed to prepare a Report regarding large item pickup throughout the Township to residents who do not have the means to dispose of large household items;

AND WHEREAS Staff have provided a Report outlining the details, including positive and negative impacts of a large item pick up service;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Report regarding Large Item Pick Up as provided by Michelle Jones, Manager of Facilities and Environmental Services;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the Township advise residents of private firms that provide this service locally and that no further action is required.

Carried:

CBC News Report:

Committee received a news article from CBC News regarding “Ontario Considers Ban on Throwing Organic Waste into Trash”. This article was received for information purposes only.

COMMUNITY & LEISURE SERVICES:

Sue Dunfield, Manager of Community & Leisure Services, provided Committee with verbal and written Reports regarding the following:

- Volunteer Appointments
- Dissolution of Rideau Friendship Circle
- Compensation for Use of Personal Vehicle

- Elgin Heritage Park Progress Report

Volunteer Appointments:

RECOMMENDATION #136-2017

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek
Seconded By: Councillor Pollard

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Report regarding Volunteer Appointments as provided by Sue Dunfield, Manager of Community & Leisure Services;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that the following individuals be appointed to their respective committees:

- Morton Community Hall: Carrie Sutcliffe;
- Portland Community Hall Board: Robert Fisher;
- Seniors Special Events (Chaffeys Lock Seniors): Marianne Foster;
- Youth in Action After School Program: Daynen Hodge-Buffam, Teegan Moore and Alexander Gee.

Carried:

Dissolution of Rideau Friendship Circle:

RECOMMENDATION #137-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr
Seconded By: Councillor Livingston

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Report regarding the Dissolution of the Rideau Friendship Circle as provided by Sue Dunfield, Manager of Community & Leisure Services;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that Schedule 'B' to By-Law 2010-115, being a By-Law to establish Joint Recreation/Parks/Events Sub-Committees, be amended by removing the Rideau Friendship Circle;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that a letter be forwarded to Genie Price congratulating and thanking Ms. Price and others for their contribution to the Rideau Friendship Circle.

Carried:

Compensation for Use of Personal Vehicle:

Councillor Banks left the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION #138-2017

Moved By: Councillor Hoogenboom

Seconded By: Councillor Livingston

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS there is no policy for the use of a personal vehicle pulling Township property (i.e. a utility trailer);

AND WHEREAS in order to comply with the job requirements for the Summer Rotating Playground Program, Staff are required to provide their own vehicle and tow a Township utility trailer daily to 5 different locations for a period of 8 weeks;

AND WHEREAS this responsibility entails additional wear on the personal vehicle and additional insurance costs on behalf of the individual responsible;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Report regarding Compensation for Use of Personal Vehicle as provided by Sue Dunfield, Manager of Community & Leisure Services;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that compensation be provided to the 2017 staff member in the amount of \$566.62 which is included within the 2017 mileage reimbursement budget for the program;

AND FURTHER Recommends to Council that a Policy be developed to cover Staff use of personal vehicles while towing Township property for future situations.

Carried:

Elgin Heritage Park Progress Report:

RECOMMENDATION #139-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council acknowledge the verbal and written Elgin Heritage Park Progress Report as provided by Sue Dunfield, Manager of Community and Leisure Services.

Carried:

BUSINESS ARISING: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following correspondence was received and reviewed by Committee:

- 11.1 Cheryl & Stephen Bobiak: Portland Waste Management \$10.00 Fee
- 11.2 MMA: Proclamation Dates Confirmed for Bill 68
- 11.3 UCLG: Newboro Bridge Public Consultation
- 11.4 UCDSB: Notice of proposal to Sell, Lease or Otherwise Dispose of Real Estate – Rideau Centennial Elementary School 2761 Highway 15

RECOMMENDATION #140-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr
Seconded By: Councillor Lavoie

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee (PW) Recommends that Council receive and file correspondence items 11.1 to 11.4.

Carried:

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed Motion: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek – Control of Common Plant Species

Discussion was held regarding the proposed motion put forward by Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek. The following amended motion was considered:

RECOMMENDATION #141-2017

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek
Seconded By: Councillor Livingston

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS the rural landscape is a critical component of ecological and human health;

AND WHEREAS the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. W.5, prescribes that “Every person in possession of land shall destroy all noxious weeds on it,” and includes a list of plant species which property owners are required to control or eradicate if and when they negatively impact on agriculture

and horticulture lands; or when they may host plant diseases; or when they present health hazards to livestock and agricultural workers;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipal councils continue to interpret this act as a legal requirement to eradicate common roadside plants included on the provincial list, such as wild parsnip, poison ivy, and ragweed;

AND WHEREAS in some jurisdictions in Ontario the Weed Control Act has been used to justify municipal and provincial roadside herbicide programs;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Pesticides Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.11, prohibits the use of pesticides for cosmetic purposes, which in many cases is what municipal and provincial roadside spraying amounts to;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Services Committee (PW) Recommends to the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes to respectfully request the Provincial government to clarify the extent to which municipal governments and other property owners are required to control common plant species on their property, especially when they pose little or no threat to agriculture, horticulture, health, or when they are impossible to eradicate without extreme measures being taken;

AND FURTHER Recommends that Council respectfully requests that the provincial government clarify the responsibility and liability of all property owners or contractors who apply pesticides to their land, especially where it may impact the property of others, or air quality, groundwater or surface water;

AND FURTHER Recommends that a copy of this motion be circulated to the Minister of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs, the Premier, Member of Provincial Parliament Steve Clark and the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville to seek their support for its goal of reducing chemical pollution and its effects in this province.

RECORDED VOTE:

YES	NO
Councillor Gunnewiek Councillor Hoogenboom Councillor Lavoie Councillor Livingston	Councillor Carr Councillor Dunfield Councillor Pollard Mayor Holman

Denied:

Schedule of 2017 Remembrance Day Services:

Mary Ellen Truelove, Clerk, advised Committee of the dates and times for the Remembrance Day Services being held at locations throughout the Township. The following Councillors will be laying wreaths on behalf of the Township of Rideau Lakes:

All Services are being held on Saturday, November 11th, 2017:

Delta Cenotaph – 11:00 a.m.: Councillor Livingston

Elgin Cenotaph – 1:30 p.m.: Councillors Carr/Gunnewiek

Portland Cenotaph – 3:00 p.m.: Councillor Dunfield

Victoria Park Cenotaph – 11:00 a.m.: Councillors Hoogenboom/Banks

Westport Cenotaph – 11:00 a.m.: Councillor Pollard

Newboro Cenotaph – 12:00 p.m.: Councillor Monck

Consent to Attend Events:

RECOMMENDATION #142-2017

Moved By: Councillor Carr
Seconded By: Councillor Lavoie

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends to Council that the following be approved for Council Members as a Circumstance as per the Remuneration By-Law:

Event	Date of Event	Council Member
UCLG – Newboro Bridge Consultation	October 24 th	All Who Attend;
Canada 150 Awards	October 11 th	All Who Attend.

Carried:

Mayor Holman Comments: None

Committee observed a break at 4:15 p.m.

No members of the Press or Public were present at this time.

CLOSE MEETING

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Gunnewiek
Seconded By: Councillor Pollard

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee closes Meeting at 4:24 p.m. to discuss matters as per Section 239(2) (b) and (c) of the Municipal Act.

Carried:

Councillor Banks returned to the meeting at 4:42 p.m. during Closed Session.

Moved By: Councillor Livingston
Seconded By: Councillor Carr

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee opens Meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Carried:

RECOMMENDATION #143-2017

Moved By: Councillor Banks
Seconded By: Councillor Pollard

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee approves and adopts the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Municipal Services Committee (PW) Meeting held August 14, 2017;

AND FURTHER that the Committee provided direction to Staff and authorizes Staff to follow through on matters as discussed in closed session as per Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act.

Carried:

RECOMMENDATION #144-2017

Moved By: Councillor Hoogenboom
Seconded By: Councillor Dunfield

To pass a Resolution that;

The Municipal Services Committee Recommends that Council confirm the Proceedings of the Committee Meeting held Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Carried:

Moved By: Councillor Banks
Seconded By: Councillor Livingston

To pass a Resolution that;

This Meeting do now adjourn at 5:26 p.m.

Carried:

Ronald E. Holman
Mayor

Mary Ellen Truelove
Clerk