

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

A Regular Meeting of Council was held in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 25, 2010.

Present:

Mayor	Ann Aikens
Deputy Mayor	Glenn Doncaster
Councillors	Ed Cochrane
	Hank van der Horn
	John Murphy
	Mary MacCafferty
	Christopher Carroll

Staff	Brian Quibell, Treasurer
	Bob McLaren, PW Consultant
	Shelly Cull, Recreation Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. APPROVAL/ALTERATION OF MEETING AGENDA

None.

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4.1. Dean Sinclair – 2009 Audit/Financial Statement Presentation

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

5.1. July 28, 2010 – Regular Council Meeting

Motion #2010- 167

Moved By: John Murphy

Seconded By: Glenn Doncaster

MOVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 28, 2010, as printed and circulated to all members of Council, be approved.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS

6.1. Action/Outcome Chart Review

6.2. Staff Reports

6.2.1 Administration Monthly Report

6.2.2 Recreation Monthly Report

6.2.3 Public Works Monthly Report

6.2.4 Operating and Water/Sewer Reports

- 6.2.5 Watson & Associates – Water & Sewer Financial Plan
- 6.2.6 2010001ISS – “Lame Duck” Period
- 6.2.7 2010BMINF – WDO Waste Recycling Strategy

6.3. Other Boards & Bodies

7. BY-LAWS

Motion #2010- 168

Moved By: John Murphy

Seconded By: Hank van der Horn

MOVED THAT the following by-law be read a first and second time;

By-law No.48-2010 - Being a By-Law to delegate authority for decisions to the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk in the event that Council finds itself subject to section 275 of the Municipal Act, 2001 regarding “Restricted acts after nomination day”.

Motion #2010- 169

Moved By: John Murphy

Seconded By: Hank van der Horn

MOVED THAT the following by-law be read a third time, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto;

By-law No.48-2010 - Being a By-Law to delegate authority for decisions to the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk in the event that Council finds itself subject to section 275 of the Municipal Act, 2001 regarding “Restricted acts after nomination day”.

CARRIED

8. ISSUE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

9. MOTIONS GIVEN PRIOR NOTICE

9.1 Ottawa River Heritage Designation

Motion #2010- 170

Moved By: Hank van der Horn

Seconded By: John Murphy

WHEREAS in a resolution adopted on April 30, 2008, the Council of the County of Renfrew unanimously supported the designation of the Ottawa River as a Canadian Heritage River, in accordance with the Canadian Heritage Rivers Systems;

AND WHEREAS historically the Ottawa River represented a vital waterway for our First Nations Communities and the designation of the Ottawa River as a Canadian Heritage River is fully supported by our First Nations Communities;

AND WHEREAS, the Ottawa River played an integral role in many of the key events constituting Canada's history, thereby facilitating the development of Canada as a Nation;

AND WHEREAS a 100 person volunteer committee has worked for 8 years on this project committing thousands of volunteer hours and widespread consultation with numerous stakeholders has occurred;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River respectfully requests Prime Minister Stephen Harper to consider and ensure that the designation documents are immediately approved, thereby allowing the Ottawa River to be recognized as the great historic river that it truly is.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Jim Prentice, Federal Minister of the Environment and Cheryl Gallant, MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke.

CARRIED

9.2 Roadside Parks

Motion #2010- 171

Moved By: Hank van der Horn

Seconded By: John Murphy

WHEREAS the Trans Canada Highway 17 is a major transportation link which runs throughout our municipality with a tourist traffic volume which increases dramatically during the warmer months;

AND WHEREAS changing weather patterns have resulted in increased traffic both earlier and later in the year, outside of normal park opening times;

AND WHEREAS the road-side parks are opened for a short length of time, limiting the availability of washroom and rest stop facilities requiring travellers to use local business facilities often without corresponding compensation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River does hereby request that the provincial government commits to reviewing the current structure of its road-side park and rest area schedule with a goal towards increased flexibility depending on changing weather patterns and increased demand;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to Premier McGuinty, our local MPP – John Yakabuski, John Baird - Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, Kathleen Wynne - Ontario Minister of Transportation and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

CARRIED

9.3 Municipal Liability Reform Working Group

Motion #2010- 172

Moved By: Glenn Doncaster

Seconded By: John Murphy

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has recently presented a report from their Municipal Liability Reform Working Group;

AND WHEREAS that document has effectively demonstrated the effects of joint and several liability on municipalities in some key areas including building inspections, the scaling back of services and motor vehicle and road safety;

AND WHEREAS other governments worldwide have also begun to make changes to their legislation and for the same reasons;

AND WHEREAS AMO's document has revealed that the origin of joint and several liability insurance has never been an explicit legislated intent of common law jurisdictions;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River support the position of AMO on this issue and agrees that Ontario municipalities ought not to be insurers of last resort, targeted deliberately in some instances because of joint and several insurance;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River does hereby call on the Federal and Provincial governments to reform joint and several liability insurance as it exists today, with a particular regard for the impact it has on 'deep pocket' property taxpayers and their communities;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the office of the Prime Minister, our local MP Cheryl Gallant, our local MPP John Yakabuski, the Premier of Ontario, The Provincial Leader of the Opposition, the Federal Leader of the Opposition, the Federal and Provincial Leaders of the NDP and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

CARRIED

10. NEW BUSINESS & NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1 Watson & Associates – Financial Plan

Motion #2010- 173

Moved By: Glenn Doncaster

Seconded By: Hank van der Horn

MOVED THAT The Town of Deep River Water and Wastewater Financial Plan prepared by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. dated July 21, 2010 be approved.

CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 Susan Bowes – Emerald Taxi Services – add review of Taxi Licensing to 2011 Business Plan and AO List

11.2 Deep River Police – Monthly Activity Report – June 2010

11.3 Deep River Police – Monthly Activity Report – July 2010

11.4 United Townships Head, Clara & Maria – Resolution of Support - Heritage River Designation – received for information.

11.5 United Townships Head, Clara & Maria– Resolution of Support - Tax on Poppy Sales – received for information

11.6 Ontario Society of Engineers – Bill C-9 – Restructuring of AECL – received for information, referred to the County of Renfrew.

11.7 Cheryl Gallant – Enabling Accessibility Fund – to be brought up with Chief Building Official

11.8 United Townships Head, Clara & Maria – EODP Renewal & support for Renfrew County Community Futures Development Corporation - County Council to send us a resolution.

11.9 United Way – 2010 Fundraising Campaign kick off – received for information.

12. OTHER BUSINESS & INFORMATION ITEMS

12.1 Senior games

Councillor van der Horn stated that he believes the Renfrew County Senior Games Committee is not in a strong financial position. After he chaired the Senior games when Deep River was the host community the Committee was left with a substantial surplus. It would appear that subsequent host community committees have not been able to maintain that favorable surplus. He therefore questioned whether or not Deep River should be the host community in 2012 as intended. Council agreed that this was an item that should be discussed in 2012.

13. CLOSED SESSION

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

15. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Motion #2010- 174

Moved By: Glenn Doncaster
Seconded By: John Murphy

MOVED THAT the following by-law be read a first and second time;

By-Law No. 46-2010 – A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River at the meeting held on August 25, 2010.

CARRIED

Motion #2010-175

Moved By: Glenn Doncaster
Seconded By: John Murphy

MOVED THAT the following by-law be read a third time, signed by the Mayor and the Clerk and the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto;

By-Law No. 46-2010 – A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River at the meeting held on August 25, 2010.

CARRIED

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Mayor

Acting Clerk