Minutes of a meeting of the Amherstburg Municipal Council in a Working Session held on June 11, 2007.

PRESENT

Mayor Wayne Hurst

Deputy Mayor Robert Bailey

Councillor Rick Fryer Councillor Robert Pillon Councillor Paul Renaud Councillor John Sutton Councillor Rosa White

ALSO PRESENT

Frank Pizzuto, Chief Administrative Officer

David Mailloux, Clerk

Lou Zarlenga, Manager of Public Services

George Balango, Manager of Development Services

MINUTES

ITEM #1

Clerk David Mailloux handed out a report for Council information regarding Municipal Act Changes (Bill 130). It was decided that the matter be discussed at the working session on June 25, 2007.

ITEM #2

CAO Frank Pizzuto gave a verbal report on a Solar Energy Proposal. At an In-Camera meeting on June 25, 2007 a Toronto firm will make a presentation regarding a proposal for the creation of a 170 million dollar solar farm in the Town. The matter involves property acquisition and is a legitimate In-Camera item.

ITEM #3

A verbal report regarding Final Tax Bill Change and Flyer. The flyer put together by Pam Malott was distributed. Council appreciated the excellent product.

Direction was given to send a letter of appreciation to staff for the newsletter and also a letter of appreciation to Tourism for the article in the Windsor Star this past weekend.

ITEM #4

A verbal report regarding David Mailloux's retirement party. Frank Pizzuto advised that a reception will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2007 at the Culture Centre from 3:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Other Items:

A copy of the RFP Traffic Study was distributed for Council review. Council was asked to contact George on Tuesday, June 12, 2007 if they have any concerns or comments.

On June 19, 2007 there will be a meeting with the County regarding roads.

Within the next 2 weeks there should be an announcement regarding the French Language School Board.

Council ERCA representative, Anthony Leardi, by letter, updated council on the current situation in Southeast Leamington.

Council recessed to have dinner.

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Following a recess Council returned to deal with a report from Lou Zarlenga regarding the reconstruction of Parkette/Heritage Pergola/Road Access. Rick Spencer of HGS was present to assist on the presentation. Also a number of ratepayers were present.

Frank Pizzuto explained that there were 2 projects tendered, one being the Dalhousie Street Reconstruction and the seconded one being the Heritage Pergola/Road Access. Mr. Pizzuto asked that Lou Zarlenga and Rick Spencer provide an overview of each of the projects.

Lou Zarlenga explained that tenders for the 2 projects appeared in the paper June 2, 2007 and will close on June 14, 2007. One project is the Dalhousie Street resurfacing which was explained in detail by Lou Zarlenga and Rick Spencer and the second is the Heritage Pergola which provides access to the Salmoni Building and other properties fronting on Dalhousie Street. ERCA owns the property in the area of the Gordon House and therefore information has been sent to ERCA for review. No trees will be cut for the road access, however, nine trees would be relocated.

The projects were approved during the 2007 Budget and the tender process is being followed. The projects are being done together for the opportunity to obtain better pricing. Concern was raised by Council that the drawings were only being seen by Council now. Frank Pizzuto explained that there were stages to this process. We will go the Parks Committee and then to Council for approval. Rick Spencer explained the drawings in detail. There is a vehicle to alter the design of the pergola if required. The question was raised about the financial contribution of the developer.

Discussion took place regarding the timing of the tenders and the consultation and approval process.

Mayor Hurst concluded the Working Session at 6:40 P.M.

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