## MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009 AT 6:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Wayne Hurst

Deputy Mayor Robert Bailey

Councillor Rick Fryer

Councillor Robert (Bob) Pillon

Councillor Paul Renaud Councillor John Sutton Councillor Rosa White

**ALSO PRESENT:** Pamela Malott, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

Paul Beneteau, Treasurer

Kristina Pozar Di Paolo, Deputy-Clerk Lou Zarlenga, Manager of Public Services

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hurst called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

#### DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

No disclosures of pecuniary interest were made.

#### REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

#### Report # 1

Manager of Public Services, Lou Zarlenga, presented to Council his report regarding a proposed Watermain - 9th Concession Consideration of Revised Petition. This report deals with a revised petition circulated among residents of the 9<sup>th</sup> Concession Road areas. Additional signatures were placed on the petition with a total of 17 landowners out of 27 requesting municipal water. Mr. Zarlenga informed Council that 63% of the homeowners signed the petition however that makes the petition insufficient by 3 2/3 %. Mr. Zarlenga asked our Solicitor if the Town would be able to sign the petition in order to move the petition to a viable consideration and our solicitor advised that this is permissible.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Hurst invited members from the public to speak relative to the revised petition or an opportunity to add or remove your name to the petition. Mayor Hurst also asked that those in attendance affix their signatures to the sign-in sheets.

Mr. John Vanderheyden stated that he would like to add his signature to the petition.

Mr. Steven Gatti posed the question that if the house is severed from the land if that would be considered two properties. Mr. Zarlenga clarified that those properties are considered separate with two different roll numbers for the purpose of this petition. Mr. Zarlenga further explained that if someone purchased a piece of severed property that didn't currently require water the purchaser will have the opportunity to hook up to the water line at a later date. That said purchaser would be responsible for the cost and approved interest related to this hook up. The Town would pick up the cost of the water line until the property was sold and required water.

A member of the public asked if there will be an opportunity to discuss the actual water lines before the landowners say yes or no to the petition. Mr. Zarlenga stated that he indicated in his report that the next step pending approval of the petition would be to appoint the Engineer to finish the project. The Engineer has attended the site and retrieved some preliminary information. He would have to finish the survey, the report and obtain a final estimate. Prior to actually calling tenders the final estimate would be brought forward to Council and the citizens.

A member of the public stated that the landowners don't actually know what side of the road the water lines would be coming from and what is meant by short and long lines. Mr. Zarlenga clarified that the difference between the lines is the length being 800 feet and 1200 feet and the difference in cost being approximately \$600. Mr. Zarlenga also stated that:

- The physical difference is that if the watermain is on one side of the road, those living on that side of the road will have the short lines and the residents on the other side of the road will have the long connection which would have to be bored under the road.
- Right now it has not been decided which side of the road the main would be installed on.
- In conversations with the Engineer the discussion has been to install a directional board which would place the watermain in the middle of the road. Heavy costs are associated with boring under the drain. The Engineer will review this and prepare the final costs and determine which is more cost effective.

A member of the public asked that if the water main is directly under the road and in ten years from now someone decides they would like to hook up to the water main then won't that destroy the road. Mr. Zarlenga informed the group that they would actually install the main stops now so that way they would not totally have to destroy the road and

depending on the cost they could run the water service right to the property line and cap it off right there.

A member of the public commented that by the looks of the diagram it appears that the watermain stops at Gladys Gardin's lot and believes this will cause "dead water". The individual asked why the lines are not carried right to Colchester with hook ups so that if Colchester runs out we could provide water to Colchester or Harrow if needed. Mr. Zarlenga replied that there are two reasons for ending the watermain at the Gardin lot:

- Number one being the people fronting the Colchester South line already have water service there so that there is need for water supply there.
- The second reason is that Essex water is Chloraminated (treated with Chlorine and Ammonia) water and Amherstburg has Chlorinated water (treated with Chlorine only) and you cannot mix the two.

Mr. Curt Marshall from the Harrow Hunt Club asked for clarification regarding if someone buys part of the land that does not require water then would that person not have to pay until they required the hook up to the water main. Mr. Zarlenga stated that this is correct.

Mr. Brian Gardin stated he is speaking for Gladys Gardin and was told that the Town would not run anything but a 6 inch line and a gentleman informed him that because Gladys is at a dead end that would cause stale water all the time at that property and asked if they could get an outlet off of the 9 Concession and run a 2 inch line through the farm. Mr. Zarlenga replied that the Municipality is no longer installing 2 inch lines as they are problematic. With the 6 inch lines there are flushing programs in place which prevent stale water. By law the Town has to maintain a certain chlorine residual, a certain strength in all the water, and the flushing program maintains this regulation.

Mr. Mike Cipkar stated that he owns two pieces of farming property and asked that if he decided to hook up could he get a severance for a lot off those properties later. Mayor Hurst responded that Mr. Cipkar would have to make an application for severance through our planning department and this application would have to go through the normal application process.

Mr. Ed Allen asked if the property owners have the right to put whatever inch size line they want from the road to the water meter. Mr. Zarlenga stated the following in response:

- The Town has to approve the connection and a permit is required for that connection.
- The details in the permit would dictate whether or not the permit is approved.
- Long lines are not advised as they are problematic.
- Mr. Zarlenga stated that the Town approves the connections and a permit is required for the connection and he does not recommend long "spaghetti lines" on private property.

Mr. Ed Allen asked about the lines going by the places that do not want water and wondered if the Town is picking up their cost. Mr. Zarlenga confirmed this.

Mr. Ed Allen asked if the lines will be copper or plastic. Mr. Zarlenga stated that the lines the Town will be installing will be copper and that the copper material is also recommended on private property as plastic lines are problematic.

Mr. Ed Serran asked for clarification regarding severances and if he could recoup his cost. Mr. Zarlenga stated that if nothing is done with the Serran lands and the Town proceeds with the project Mr. Serran will not be charged until the two properties require water.

Mr. Mike Cipkar stated that he suggests the lines not be placed on the side that the tiles are placed on.

Councillor R. Fryer asked what the last date is to add a name to the petition. Mr. Zarlenga replied that will need to be determined after tonight's meeting depending on if anyone chooses to remove their name form the list.

Mr. Ed Serran asked what interest rate the homeowner's would be paying would be. Treasurer Paul Beneteau suggested that the rate would be approximately 6% but actual rate would not be known until the agreement is reached with the bank regarding the debenture.

Mr. Bruce Gardin asked when he will need to pay if the petition is approved. Mr. Zarlenga stated that the landowner's portion may be paid upfront or over the 5-10 years of the debenture.

Mr. Zarlenga stated that if anyone removes their name from the list tonight we will not have a sufficient petition.

Moved By Deputy Mayor Bailey Seconded By Councillor R. Pillon

That Council receive the comments made at this public meeting in connection with the 9<sup>th</sup> Concession Watermain:

That the report from Lou Zarlenga, dated May 20, 2009 regarding a Proposed Watermain on 9th Concession, Consideration of Revised Petition be received;

That Council accept the petition dated March 1, 2009 requesting municipal water to be supplied to the 9th Concession Road area;

And further that consulting Engineer Bruce D. Crozier Engineering be appointed to prepare plans, specifications, tender documents and a final estimate for this project.

#### **Motion Carried**

Mayor Hurst thanked everyone for attending the meeting and stated that all those in attendance will be reminded and contacted regarding the next meeting if they affix their signatures to the sign in sheet prior to leaving tonight.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor R. White Seconded by Deputy Mayor Bailey

That we rise and adjourn at 6:35 P.M.

**Motion Carried** 

PAMELA MALOTT, CAO/CLERK

# Town of Amherstburg Public Meeting May 25, 2009 6:00 PM 9th Concession Waterline

Name	Address	Signature
	9621 CON.9.	Edward Allen
	4 DEN 9695 COU	A Veneco Reger
STEVE CIPICAR	9040 Conc 9	Steve Cupker
MIKE LAROCHECKE	9583 con 9	MINTE
MARK BLADA	8811 SOUTASIN E PD.	Vahan
	9714 CONC 9.	hulea
Mite Cythan		
Steir Lette	8800 S SINF R	Stop
ALAN SERRAN	(	relate
Egic + MARY BROOM	contion	Mayhlu
Francis + Lindo Smits	7672 Com 9	Linith
Lisa + KEUIN Tiffin	_	Lesa Teffer
Rosemary Brown		& Brown
	9621 Con9	Bonnes aller
	42 VICTORIA STN	Chatterde
	6010 Smith Rd	Brian Taide
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