

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Amherstburg Municipal Council held Monday, April 5, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Wayne Hurst
Councillor Robert Bailey
Councillor Gord Freeman
Councillor Carl Gibb
Councillor Paul Renaud
Councillor Rosa White

ABSENT: Deputy Mayor Anthony Leardi– due to family commitment

ALSO PRESENT: Hilary Payne, CAO
David Mailloux, Clerk
Paul Beneteau, Treasurer
Lou Zarlenga, Public Services

PRAYER

Pastor Maynard Hurst said prayer.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor White declared a conflict of interest relative to the request for a sewer connection at 147 Gore Street listed under Unfinished Business.

MINUTES

Moved by R. White, seconded by R. Bailey that the minutes of a regular meeting of the Amherstburg Municipal Council held Monday, March 29, 2004, be adopted.

Motion Carried

ACCOUNTS

Moved by G. Freeman, seconded by R. White that the accounts as submitted by the Treasurer for the period ending March 31, 2004, be approved for payment.

Motion Carried

Moved by R. White, seconded by R. Bailey that we waive rules of order to hear the delegations.

Motion Carried

PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS

Mr. Charlton and Mr. Hunt of the Amherstburg Rotary Club gave Council a presentation on the proposal to install a clock in the King's Navy Yard Park as a Centennial project for the Rotary Club. The Club has in the past provided much to the Town, i.e. Park House Museum, Easter Seal Campaign. The Centennial year is something very special. The clock is a very big project for a small club. They expect that the Clock and installation will cost approximately \$26,000 - \$30,000. Mr. Charlton thanked Mr. Zarlenga for his assistance in the project. The Club is requesting that the Town pay for some of the initial work to be done such as footings, electrical supply and retaining wall.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Charlton and Mr. Hunt for attending.

The Mayor asked if anyone wished to comment on the 2004 proposed budget. No one came forward however, Liza Price of the Amherstburg Heritage Festival submitted a letter earlier in the day for Council's consideration.

Moved by R. White, seconded by C. Gibb that Council resume.

Motion Carried

Mayor Hurst announced that Deputy Mayor Anthony Leardi is absent tonight because of his wife being in labour and that By-law 2004-21 regarding a water rate by-law for the recovery of a portion of the cost of the construction of waterworks in the Town of Amherstburg is being deferred to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS

Moved by C. Gibb, seconded by R. White that the presentation from Arnie Charleton and Dan Hunt, and the report from Hilary Payne, dated April 1, 2004 be received and that the Town agree with the proposal from the Amherstburg Rotary Club for the construction of a clock in the King's Navy Yard Park and that the Town will assist with the installation to a maximum amount of \$5,000.00 and upon completion the Town will assume the operation of the clock.

Motion Carried

Mayor Hurst requested that an attempt be made to save the existing tree that is in the area of the proposed installation.

Moved by R. Bailey, seconded by G. Freeman that we receive the written presentation from Liza Price of the Amherstburg Heritage Festival regarding the 2004 proposed budget and that we confirm that the grant has been included in the 2004 proposed budget.

Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

Item #1 to #4

Moved by R. White, seconded by G. Freeman that the following correspondence be received.

1. That the letter from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing, dated March 18, 2004 regarding implementation of changes to the Building Regulatory System;
2. Letter from Essex Region Conservation Authority, dated March 29, 2004, regarding Detroit River Heritage Parkway;
3. Notice from Federation of Canadian Municipalities, regarding Annual Conference & Municipal Expo;
4. Letter from Orlando Segatto, dated March 25, 2004 regarding freezing Council honorariums;

Motion Carried

Item #5

The clerk advised that this item has been removed as requested by Mr. Sutherland.

Letter from Bob Sutherland of the AA & M Rhododendron Committee, dated Mar. 31, 2004 requesting to be placed on the Town's insurance for this event.

Item #6

Moved by R. White, seconded by P. Renaud that the notice from the Essex County Federation of Agriculture, regarding their Annual Banquet/Social, be received and any members that can attend be authorized to do so.

Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE CONT'D.

Item #7

Moved by R. Bailey, seconded by C. Gibb that the letter from the Essex County Library, dated Mar. 29, 2004 regarding their spring tour of branch libraries, and the letter from the Town of Essex dated March 30, 2004 regarding deficiencies at the McGregor Library be received.

Motion Carried

Councillor White will attend at the McGregor Library on Saturday May 1st.

Item #8

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by G. Freeman that the letter from Fort Malden Horticultural Society, dated Mar. 31, 2004 regarding last minute preparations for the 19th Annual Garden Tour, be received and that we concur with the requests and that we notify Public Works, Fire, Police and Ambulance.

Motion Carried

Item #9

Moved by R. White, seconded by P. Renaud that the e-mail from Registered Nurses Association of Ontario, requesting the Mayor proclaim the week of May 10th to May 14, 2004 as Nurses Week in Amherstburg, be received and that Council concur with the request.

Motion Carried

Mayor Hurst proclaimed the week of May 10th to May 14, 2004 as Nurses Week in Amherstburg and called upon all loyal citizens to so observe.

Item #10

Moved by G. Freeman, seconded by P. Renaud that the letter from Ontario Public Service Employees Union regarding management of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, be received.

Motion Carried

Item #11

Moved by R. Bailey, seconded by R. White that the letter from CLT Canada, dated Mar. 19, 2004 requesting Council to pass a resolution in support of the concept of a competitive property assessment system in Ontario, be received.

Motion Carried

Item #12

Moved by R. White, seconded by C. Gibb that the Council Questions Summary – 2004 be received.

Motion Carried

Item # 13

Moved by R. Bailey, seconded by C. Gibb that we receive the letter from Ruth Wortley, dated April 2, 2004, regarding the no smoking issue.

Motion Carried

BUSINESS LICENCES

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by C. Gibb that:

- Business License Application from First Choice Haircutters, Ltd. to operate a Beauty salon at 400 Sandwich Street South; and

- Cab Driver's License Renewal from Marjory Sleigh to drive taxi;

Be received and approved subject to compliance with all agencies and by-laws.

Motion Carried

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Moved by G. Freeman, seconded by R. White that the minutes of the Amherstburg Parks Committee held February 24, 2004, be received.

Motion Carried

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Report #1

Chuck Fiddy was present for this report.

Moved by R. White, seconded by R. Bailey that the report from Lou Zarlenga, dated March 31, 2004 regarding Monthly Reports from OCWA, be received.

Motion Carried

Mayor Hurst asked to be notified of any occurrence. Mayor Hurst will set up a tour of Water and Wastewater facilities in the near future.

Report #2

Moved by R. White, seconded by P. Renaud that the report from Paul Beneteau, dated March 31, 2004 regarding CQ 43/04 – Does the Province pay PST on purchases, be received.

Motion Carried

Report #3

Moved by R. White, seconded by P. Renaud that the report from Hilary Payne, dated March 31, 2004 regarding Detroit River Heritage Parkway Event, be received.

Motion Carried

Report #4

Moved by R. White, seconded by C. Gibb that the report from Lou Zarlenga, dated Mar. 30, 2004 regarding Advanced Signage on Walker Road indicating intersection with County Road 10 (Middle Sideroad) 500 Metres Ahead, be received.

Motion Carried

Report #5 – Dealt with under Business Arising from Petitions & Deputations

Report from Hilary Payne, dated April 1, 2004, regarding King's Navy Yard Parkette-Rotary Clock Project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Moved by R. White, seconded by G. Freeman that we approve the ad as presented for the Advisory Committee on the Environment and that we place the ad in local media.

Motion Carried

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by R. Bailey that we receive the estimate for an LED sign in front of the Municipal Building.

Motion Carried

By-law regarding the Knapp Subdivision on Texas Road will be on the next agenda. We are awaiting some required information.

Councillor White left the Council Chambers for the next item.

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by C. Gibb that we authorize the payment of \$1000.00 (indemnity fee allegedly paid previously) toward the cost of installing the sewer line from the main line to the property line at 147 Gore Street.

Motion Carried

Councillor White returned to the Council Chambers.

Councillor White asked for a status on the Speed Limit changes authorized for the 2nd Concession and Fox Road.

Snow Removal By-law to be discussed on April 19th – Downtown & Residential.

Councillor White requested that Administration investigate the potential for Public Transportation to and from Windsor – perhaps a partnership with LaSalle.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by R. White that Administration through an in-house study project the cost of an addition to the North Side of the Fire Hall.

Motion Carried

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by R. White that Administration investigate the possibility of using the smaller room at the Culture Centre as a temporary office for Tourism and Economic Development.

Motion Carried

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by G. Freeman that Administration provide a report on the amount and type of use that is provided by the Heaton Sanitation Vacuum Truck.

Motion Carried

Moved by G. Freeman, seconded by C. Gibb that we accept the offer of Gord Freeman to have Leonard Mailloux replace him as one of the Town of Amherstburg representatives on the ERCA Board with the term to coincide with the term of Mr. Freeman's appointment.

Motion Carried

Councillor Renaud requested that Administration review the sign by-law to determine if it contained a "grandfather clause" for certain signage.

Moved by R. White, seconded by P. Renaud that the 2004 grant be advanced to the Municipal Events Committee.

Motion Carried

Moved by R. White, seconded by R. Bailey that the Vicious Dog By-law be brought forward for further consideration.

Motion Carried

The following meetings were scheduled:

- April 13th - 6:00 p.m. - Angileri/LACAC
- April 13th - 8:00 p.m. - Meeting with Boaters
- April 15th - 6:00 p.m. - Public Meeting regarding property at corner of Fox and Alma
- Following Public meeting April 15th - Petretta Construction & Cerasa
- May 3 – 5:00 p.m. - Public Meeting 219 Dalhousie corner of Rankin
- May 3 – 5:45 p.m. - Public Meeting – Petretta/Church & Dwight
- May 17 - 5:30 p.m. - Public Meeting Development Charges

BY-LAWS

Moved by P. Renaud, seconded by R. White that:

By-law #2004-21; being a by-law to establish a water rate to recover a portion of the cost of the construction of water works in the Town of Amherstburg be deferred to the next regular meeting.

Motion Carried

Moved by R. Bailey, seconded by R. White that:

By-law #2004-25; being a by-law to confirm all resolutions of the Municipal Council; be taken as having been read a first, second and third time, be finally passed and the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto.

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by R. Bailey, seconded by P. Renaud that the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried

MAYOR

CLERK