



**CORPORATION OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE**

MINUTES

Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 12

**Held in the Municipal Centre, 285 County Road 44
On Monday, July 6th, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Mayor:	Bill Gooch
Deputy Mayor:	Ken Finnerty
Councillor:	Terry Butler
Councillor:	Tim Sutton
Councillor:	Barb Tobin
Chief Administrative Officer:	Andy Brown
Clerk:	Cahl Pominville
Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture:	Darren Patmore
Treasurer:	Sheila Kehoe
Director of Planning & Development:	Forbes Symon

Mayor Bill Gooch declared the meeting open.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that the attached copies of minutes, being replicas of those recorded in the Minute Book of the Municipality, of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 15, 2009, similar copies having been distributed to each Committee member for their perusal, are hereby approved.

CARRIED

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Andy Brown reported on the Closed Session of Committee of the Whole held prior to the Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting:

- The Committee discussed appointment of members to the Waste Reduction Committee. A resolution was presented and recommended for amendments to the terms of reference and appointment of Waste Reduction Committee members. (See Resolutions A.)
- The Committee discussed appointment of members to the Special Projects Committee. A resolution was presented and recommended for appointment of Special Projects Committee members. (See Resolutions B.)
- The Committee discussed tenders received for the sale of Municipally-owned land. A resolution was presented and recommended for acceptance of the highest tender for the property. (See Resolutions C.)
- The Committee was briefed on the appraisal of the Court House Building.

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PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE

Councillor Barb Tobin took the Chair at 6:34 p.m. for this portion of the meeting.

REPORTS

1. Doug Hendry and David Shanahan attended the meeting to discuss the need for a new home for the North Grenville Historical Society. Artifacts are in danger of being destroyed if they remain at the Acton's Corners School location. The Society recommends that the Court House Building become an archive museum and a home for the Society. The building would be used on a regular basis and become a local project for its refurbishing. This proposal is supported by many local groups and is in accordance with the new Official Plan. The Society requests a resolution of support in principle of this proposal.

Questions of Council:

Finnerty:

- The sale of the Acton's Corners building could be possible funds toward upgrading the Court House Building

Sutton:

- Have other buildings been considered? The Court House Building is centrally located and a heritage building that would draw activity to the downtown area.
- Has a business plan been developed yet? The Society would like to meet with staff to see what is needed for the building and what revenues would be available.
- How would accessibility issues be addressed? It is hopeful that the Province would recognize exemptions for heritage buildings.
- Could the Historical Society coexist with the Courts? This can be looked at. Would like to move material to this location as soon as possible.

Butler:

- The Court issue needs to be addressed first. The archives need a better location. Phil Gerrard has advised that many historical buildings will be unable to be accessible compliant. Mr. Symon advised that the legislation is still being discussed and expects that best efforts will prevail.

Tobin:

- The Province may not give a preference to historical buildings for compliance.
- Possible shared existence with courts may enable the Society to be more successful in receiving grant funding.

At this time the Committee moved to Item #1 under Finance & Administration - Future of Court House Building.

The Committee returned to the remainder of the Parks, Recreation & Culture agenda at 7:55 p.m.

2. **Facility Rental Rates**

The proposed rates are as discussed in budget deliberations. Family Day has been added to the list of holidays where a premium rate can be charged. This will not jeopardize current programs as only three or four staff work on that day. A resolution was presented and recommended to approve amendments to the facility rental rates effective September 1, 2009. (See Resolutions E.)

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GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Construction of the play structure at Riverside Park has been delayed due to the wet weather. Completion is anticipated later this month.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & MEDIA

1. George Blake questioned about the delay in operation of the pumps at the South Gower soccer fields. Darren Patmore advised that the work is to be completed in the next couple of days.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Tim Sutton took the Chair at 8:10 p.m. for this portion of the meeting.

REPORTS

1. Monthly Building Permit Report

The reports were reviewed by Forbes Symon. Positive statements have been received from real estate agents and contractors that things are busy. There have been several large projects in 2009.

Doug Hendry suggested sending flyers to residents about the homeowner rebate program. This could be positive for the local economy. Forbes Symon advised that it would be worthwhile to look at possible ideas for incentive.

2. Official Plan Update

The location of quarries was discussed throughout the Official Plan review. Staff requested the Province to discuss this issue and ensure that wells were not threatened. A meeting was recently held with the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing to discuss the policies in our Official Plan. There are many lands in North Grenville with the potential for bedrock quarries. No lands with bedrock have been identified within the 25 year catchment area of the Kemptville wells. Any area for bedrock extraction would require an amendment to the Official Plan to ensure public input. The Province will develop policy wording to be considered by Council.

3. Notice of Public Meeting - 105 Asa St. Condominium Draft Plan

A public meeting will be held on July 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Centre to consider a proposed condominium conversion.

4. Notice of Public Meeting - Forest Creek Zoning Amendment Application

A by-law to remove the 'h' holding symbol from the zoning on Forest Creek Subdivision lands will be considered at the Council Meeting to be held on July 13th. A public meeting to consider a zoning amendment for Forest Creek Subdivision lands regarding minimum side yard and rear yard requirements will be held on July 20th at 6:15 p.m. in the Municipal Centre.

5. Notice of Public Meeting - Development Charges Study

A public meeting to present and obtain public input on the Municipality's proposed development charges by-law and underlying background study will be held on July 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Centre.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Forbes Symon advised that an OMB appeal has been lodged against the severance approval for Kemptville District Hospital. The drainage will be going forward.
2. Andy Brown advised that the Counties 416 Economic Development Corridor Project will be applying for funding to EODF and EODP. North Grenville's share will be \$5000 this year and \$5000 next year. A resolution in support of the application will be brought to Council at their next meeting.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Councillor Tim Sutton took the Chair at 7:00 p.m.

REPORTS

1. Future of Court House Building

Andy Brown provided an update on the building. Staff have provided five options for the building. The issue of the courts is being considered. There are few locations that the courts could be relocated to. If they moved back to Brockville while we search, they may not return to Kemptville.

Paul Jansen, a local lawyer who attends the Kemptville Court as Duty Counsel, recommended that the court should be near to the residents of the community. Court administration would prefer courts to be centralized in Brockville. Once the court moves, it won't come back. Policing costs would be higher to attend court in Brockville. Local residents who are victims, witnesses or those who are charged, would have to travel to Brockville. A local court facility is necessary for this community. It is logical to store archive material on the second floor.

Committee members discussed the future of the courts and the building including: current conditions of the building; possible co-existence of the courts and Historical Society; Provincial funding; accessibility issues; possible inclusion of archives in the new library; removal of addition on the building; third party lease to courts; and, police travel to court in Brockville.

Andy Brown suggested that we take small steps to move forward and have staff meet with the Historical Society to discuss a business plan and possible relocation of archives to second floor in the short term. Staff will provide costs and revenues to the Historical Society and have them meet with court representatives to discuss coexistent. Staff will provide an update to Committee on immediate repairs that are required.

A resolution was presented and passed directing staff to investigate the co-location of the North Grenville Historical Society and the Courts. (See Resolutions D.)

The Committee returned to the remainder of the Finance & Administration agenda at 8:36 p.m.

2. East Quadrant Servicing Update

Staff continues to monitor the east quadrant servicing project. An update was provided on costs to date and remaining costs. Most of the work left to be done is for the pumping station.

3. New Fire Station Update

A meeting was recently held with the project manager. Staff and the Fire Chief are working to meet the budget for this project. Forbes Symon advised that legislation must account for all works that are done and a permit for all work, therefore the building is not exempt from a building permit. Andy Brown gave an update on changes made to reduce costs. George Blake commented that a man was hired to monitor the daily costs so it is hoped that we don't have any surprises.

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4. Fetherston Park Update

The developer is undertaking a concept plan, hydrogeology study and drainage plan in order to submit the Official Plan Amendment application. The Ministry of Environment is in support of these plans. Mayor Gooch expressed that the residents need to be ensured that things are moving along and the park will not be closed. Andy Brown advised that the offer has been made to purchase the property and we are looking at various water system plans.

5. Operational Review Update

Sheila Kehoe presented the monthly update and highlights were noted. Doug Hendry suggested that a data base may be a better tracking system than a spread sheet.

6. 2009 Capital Projects & Operating Status Report

Sheila Kehoe advised that these reports have been circulated to managers and reported to the Senior Management Team. Highlights were reviewed. Questions of Committee were received. A resolution was presented and passed to receive the report.

7. Accessible Customer Service

Cahl Pomerville provided an update on the Provincial regulations and the steps the County and the Municipality have taken to meet the January 1, 2010 requirement. A resolution was presented and recommended to adopt the Accessible Customer Service Policy as presented. (See Resolutions G.)

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Mayor Gooch expressed concern about the timing of meetings. He would like to see consistent scheduling for timing for meetings. The members request consultation if the schedule needs to be changed.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & MEDIA

1. Doug Hendry suggested setting up a fund for infrastructure renewal on a long term basis. PSAB states that this will be done with a life expectancy in place.
2. Doug Hendry suggested working with community groups to show them the benefits of booking events in the theatre. Staff have been working with various groups and will to see what the needs of the residents are.

RESOLUTIONS

- A. Moved by Ken Finnerty and seconded by Terry Butler that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the Terms of Reference for the Waste Reduction Committee be amended to include seven representatives of the public at large;

AND FURTHER THAT Victoria McKeage and Chris Turnbull be appointed to the Waste Reduction Committee.

CARRIED

- B. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that Bruce Enloe be appointed to the Special Projects Committee.

CARRIED

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C. Moved by Tim Sutton and seconded by Ken Finnerty that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the highest purchase bid for 4 Hickory Drive in Glengables Village Subdivision from M.D. Insulation in the amount of \$62,000.00 be accepted.

CARRIED

D. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that Committee of the Whole direct staff to investigate the co-location of the North Grenville Historical Society and the Courts;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to report back to the Committee of the Whole in September.

CARRIED

E. Moved by Tim Sutton and seconded by Ken Finnerty that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the tariff of fees for the public use of Municipal Facilities be amended as presented in the Director's Report dated June 30, 2009 and be implemented as of September 1, 2009.

CARRIED

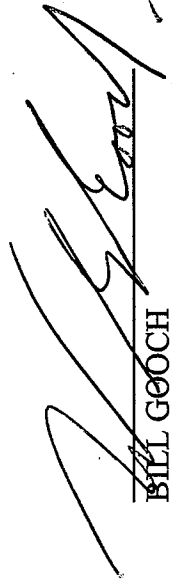
F. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that Committee of the Whole receive the 2009 Capital Project and Operating Report as of June 30, 2009.

CARRIED

G. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Ken Finnerty that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the attached Accessible Customer Service Policy be adopted.

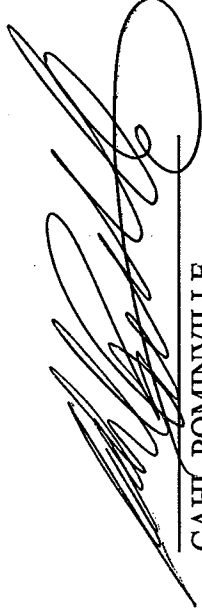
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.



BILL GOOCH

Mayor



CAHLE POMINVILLE

Clerk