

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING NO. 2
OF FEBRUARY 4, 2008

held in the Municipal Centre at 285 County Road 44 at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor:	Ken Finnerty
Councillor:	Terry Butler
Councillor:	Tim Sutton
Councillor:	Barb Tobin
Chief Administrative Officer:	Andy Brown
Deputy Clerk:	Heather Render
Director of Public Works:	Karen Dunlop
Treasurer:	Cheryl Tynski
Director of Planning & Building:	Forbes Symon
Chief Building Official:	Phil Gerrard
Fire Chief:	Tim Bond

Deputy Mayor Ken Finnerty declared the meeting open.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Terry Butler and seconded by Barb Tobin 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 January 21, 2008, similar copies having been distributed to each Committee member for their perusal, are hereby approved.

CARRIED

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Councillor Tim Sutton took the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

REPORTS

1. **Zoning Amendment Application ZBL-1-08 (Grant)**

Phil Gerrard gave an overview of the application and advised that a public meeting to consider this application will be held on February 11th. Councillor Butler requested that the Health Unit be contacted to comment.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Dan Shouldice, operator of the Montessori School attended to request assistance with getting his licence to operate a day-care facility. The property was zoned "Private School" at the request of the landowner and Mr. Shouldice needs to be zoned "Day-Care/Nursery" to obtain his licence under the *Nursery School Act*. Andy Brown advised that the Municipality must follow the *Planning Act* in this matter. A resolution was presented and approved to recommend that the Committee of Adjustment support day nursery and child care as permitted uses under a private school use in the zoning by-law. (See Resolutions A.)

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PUBLIC WORKS

Deputy Mayor Ken Finnerty took the Chair at 7:03 p.m. for this portion of the meeting.

REPORTS

1. **Annual Water Summary Report**

Karen Dunlop presented an overview of the requirement for this report under Ministry of the Environment regulations. The report shows high sodium levels which has always been part of this report. Karen Dunlop also reviewed the non-compliance issues. A resolution was presented and approved to recommend to Council that the 2007 Water Summary Report be received. (See Resolutions B.)

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Mayor Ken Finnerty took the Chair at 7:20 p.m. for this portion of the meeting.

REPORTS

1. **Amendments to Open Burn By-Law 33-01**

Tim Bond presented an overview of the proposed amendments. Councillor Sutton requested that notice of the changes be shown on the Municipal webpage and in the NG Update column of the newspaper. A resolution was presented and approved to recommend to Council that the proposed amendments to By-Law 33-01 be adopted. (See Resolutions C.)

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Councillor Tim Sutton took the Chair at 7:27 p.m. for this portion of the meeting.

REPORTS

1. **Interim Tax Levy**

Cheryl Tynski gave an overview of the proposed by-law. A resolution was presented and approved to recommend to Council that a by-law to authorize an interim tax levy be adopted. (See Resolutions D.)

2. **Staff Remuneration (Annual CPI Adjustment)**

Andy Brown presented an overview of the proposed adjustment to staff salaries based on the Canadian Consumer Price Index for 2007. A resolution was presented and approved to recommend to Council that By-Law 88-98 be amended to adjust for 2007 Consumer Price Index. (See Resolutions E.)

3. **Transient Traders Licencing By-Law**

Andy Brown provided an overview of the proposed by-law. Councillor Butler suggested that the application should include the Vendor Number. Councillor Sutton suggested that the time period be for "seven days in a row" and could be renewed once. A resolution was presented and approved to recommend to Council that they enact the transient trader's by-law. (See Resolutions F.)

4. **2007 Accessibility Plan**

The draft 2007 Municipal Accessibility Plan was presented for recommendation to Council for adoption. Andy Brown advised that items on the "barriers identified" chart were addressed through the budget, both capital and operating. Ken Finnerty advised that he

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would be introducing a motion at the next Committee of the Whole meeting for staff training on accessibility issues. A resolutions was presented and approved to recommend to Council that the 2007 MAP be adopted. (See Resolutions G.)

5. **Bishops Mills Community Association**

Andy Brown presented an overview of the request from the Bishops Mills Community Association for funding under the former Community Emergency Fund. The Committee discussed the request and will consider it during budget deliberations.

6. **Town Crier**

Andy Brown advised that Roy Brown is looking into possible sources for the costume. He will prepare a report on the costume and honourarium when the prices are received.

7. **Earth Hour**

Andy Brown advised that he will ask staff for recommendations for Council to consider for participation in Earth Hour. A resolution was presented and approved to request staff prepare a list of possible actions to be considered by Council. (See Resolutions H.)

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Deputy Mayor Ken Finnerty advised that a lot of people were pushing snow unto the roadways. Karen Dunlop advised that this is covered by the *Highway Traffic Act* and she calls the OPP when aware of this situation.
2. Deputy Mayor Ken Finnerty asked about pushing snow into creeks along roadways. Karen Dunlop advised that this is also against the law.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & MEDIA

1. Keith Moyer asked if there was any thought to increasing the number of payment dates for taxes. Cheryl Tynski advised that the Municipality has a monthly payment system for taxes. She will look at additional dates for next year.
2. Keith Moyer asked how the CPI used by the CAO related to the Federal/Provincial increase to pensions. Andy Brown advised that he used the Statistics Canada, 2007 Consumer Price Index.

RESOLUTIONS

- A. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Committee of Adjustment support day nursery and child care as permitted uses under a private school use in the zoning by-law.

CARRIED

- B. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the 2007 Water Summary Report be received.

CARRIED

- C. Moved by Terry Butler and seconded by Tim Sutton that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that it adopt the proposed amendments to By-Law 33-01.

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CARRIED

- D. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that a by-law be adopted to authorize interim tax billing in advance of adoption of the budget estimates for 2008, using the most recent assessment roll and using tax rates equal to 50% of the rates authorized for collection of taxes in 2007.

CARRIED

- E. Moved by Terry Butler and seconded by Ken Finnerty that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that By-Law 88-98 be further amended to adjust for 2007 CPI.

CARRIED

- F. Moved by Barb Tobin and seconded by Terry Butler that Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that they enact the transient trader's by-law as presented.

CARRIED

- G. Moved by Terry Butler and seconded by Ken Finnerty that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Council of the Municipality of North Grenville the 2007 Draft Municipal Accessibility Plan be adopted;

And Further That the 2007 Municipal Accessibility Plan be made available to the public and a copy be forwarded to the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration.

CARRIED

- H. Moved by Terry Butler and seconded by Ken Finnerty that the Committee of the Whole requests staff prepare a list of possible actions to be considered by Council for the Municipality to participate in Earth Hour on March 29th, 2008.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Original Signed By

KEN FINNERTY
Deputy Mayor

HEATHER RENDER
Deputy Clerk