

Corporation of the Township of Selwyn

**Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 26, 2017**

Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line

A regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Selwyn was held on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at the Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line.

Present: Mayor Mary Smith (left at 6:30 PM)
Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis
Councillor Donna Ballantyne
Councillor Anita Locke

Regrets: Councillor Gerry Herron

Staff Present: Janice Lavalley, Chief Administrative Officer
Angela Chittick, Manager of Community & Corporate Services /Clerk
Robert Lamarre, Manager of Building and Planning
R. Lane Vance, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer
Rick Dunford, Manager of Public Works
Jeannette Thompson, Planner
Howard Jinkerson, Fire Prevention Officer
Tania Goncalves, Deputy Clerk

The Council meeting commenced at 6:00 PM with Mayor Smith in the Chair.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Minutes

Resolution No. 2017- 188 - Minutes

Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis – Councillor Donna Ballantyne –
That the minutes of the regular Council meeting of September 12, 2017 be adopted.

Carried.

Deputations and/or Invited Persons and/or Public Meeting

None.

Resolution No. 2017- 189 - Agenda Amendment

Councillor Donna Ballantyne – Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis –
That the order of the Agenda be amended so that Question Period directly follow Other, New & Unfinished Business in order to permit members of the public to pose questions regarding a proposed resolution concerning wild rice harvesting which is being addressed by Council under New Business.

Carried.

Municipal Officers & Staff Reports – Direction

None.

Resolution No. 2017- 190 - Kawartha Park Launch Area

Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis – Councillor Donna Ballantyne –
That the report of the Manager of Community & Corporate Services/Clerk regarding the Kawartha Park Launch area be received for information; and

Whereas the Township of Selwyn worked in cooperation with many stakeholders including the Kawartha Park Cottagers Association (KPCA), the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, area residents, the Otonabee Region

Conservation Authority and Parks Canada to develop a plan to address drainage, siltation, limiting boat launching and re-naturalization of the boat access area in an attempt to find a balanced solution that addressed numerous complaints and concerns expressed by the KPCA and area residents; and

Whereas the Township of Selwyn and some local residents made efforts in the past few years to re-seed and install plantings and recent ownership changes have resulted in less use of maintenance vehicles and other vehicles accessing the lane causing the natural re-establishment of plantings and grasses in the area; and

Whereas the KPCA has shifted its position from requesting that the Township of Selwyn address the drainage/siltation issues to now asking the Township to not do any work;

Now Therefore that the Township of Selwyn remove this project from the 2017 capital budget and at the request of the KPCA allow the area to drain in its current manner and naturally allow the area to re-establish itself and that the Township advise stakeholders that no further Township resources will be allocated to improve or maintain this area and that the file be closed; and

Further in an effort to retain the \$7000 grant from the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Canada, that staff contact ICLEI Canada to determine if the grant funds can be re-directed to an alternate Township project.

Carried.

Consent Items

Resolution No. 2017 - 191 - Municipal Officer's and Staff Reports – Consent Items

Councillor Anita Locke – Councillor Donna Ballantyne –

That the report from the CAO entitled Management Letter – 2016 Financial Statements be received for information; and

That the report of the Manager of Financial Services entitled Development Charges 2016 - Annual Report be received for information; and

That the report of the Manager of Financial Services entitled Development Charges - Annual Indexing be received for information; and

That the report of the Planner regarding Draft Implementation Procedures for the Agricultural System in Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe be received for information; and

That the report of the Deputy Clerk regarding Local Government Week 2017 be received for information; and that the Township of Selwyn proclaim October 15 - 21, 2017 as Local Government Week in the Township of Selwyn; and that the Township of Selwyn celebrate and promote Local Government Week with an information campaign highlighting the important role that local government plays in our community through social media promotions, local advertising, elementary school information packages and local school visits; and

That the report from the Fire Prevention Officer regarding Fire Prevention Week be received for information; and that the Township of Selwyn proclaim October 8 - 14, 2017 as Fire Prevention Week in the Township of Selwyn; and that all residents be encouraged to:

- hold a home fire drill to practice their home escape plan
- test their smoke and CO alarms once a month
- install smoke alarms in all bedrooms

- replace their smoke alarm/CO detector batteries once a year during the month of October; and

That the report of the Manager of Corporate & Community Services/Clerk regarding various By-laws be received for information; and that By-law 2017- 058, being a By-law to authorize an amendment to the agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and the Township of Selwyn to amend the May 11, 2016 Rural Economic Development (RED) funding grant to reflect changes to the eligible costs and timeline; and that By-law 2017-059, a By-law to authorize an amendment to a Site Plan Agreement between Buckhorn Hardware Limited and the Township of Selwyn to provide an extension to complete the works set out in the Site Plan Agreement to December 31, 2018 be brought forward to the By-law section of the agenda for consideration; and

Correspondence for Discussion and/or Decision:

That the following items of correspondence be received for information and that staff proceed with the recommended direction therein:

1. Teachers of English as a Second Language Association of Ontario

That the correspondence received from the Teachers of English as a Second Language Association of Ontario regarding English as a Second Language Week be received for information; and that the week of October 29 - November 4, 2017 be proclaimed English as a Second Language Week in the Township of Selwyn; and

Correspondence for Information:

That the following items of correspondence be received for information:

2. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Ontario Announces Cannabis Control Board to Retail Cannabis Products and its Provincial Cannabis Framework
3. Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration – June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award
4. Chuck Richard – Concession Street Sidewalk
5. Peterborough Public Health – Board Meeting – September 13, 2017
6. Kawartha Chamber of Commerce and Tourism – 18th Annual Awards of Excellence Nominees
7. Kawartha Chamber - September Newsflash
8. Trans Canada Trail – 2016-2017 Annual Report – *The Making of the Great Trail*
9. Town of Blue Mountains – Removal of Tax Exempt Portion of Remuneration
10. Town of Halton Hills – Zero Tolerance Against Racism
11. Township of South Stormont – Proposed Changes Under Bill 68 – Out of Court Payments; and

Peterborough County Report

That the following items of correspondence from the County of Peterborough be received for information:

1. James A. Gifford Causeway Trash and Litter
2. Minutes – September 6, 2017; and

Committee Reports

That the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting of May 17, 2017; and

That the minutes of the Trail Advisory Committee meeting of May 8, 2017; and

That the minutes of the Joint Park and Recreation Advisory Committee and Trail Advisory Committee meeting of June 26, 2017; and

That the minutes of the Smith-Ennismore Police Services Board meeting of September 11, 2017; and

That the minutes of the Economic Development and Business Committee meeting of August 28, 2017 be received for information.

Carried.

Other, New & Unfinished Business

Resolution No. 2017 - 192 - Wild Rice Harvesting

Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis – Councillor Donna Ballantyne –

Whereas the Federal Government through Parks Canada and the seven First Nations of the Williams Treaty came together to form a wild rice harvesting working group in late 2015; and

Whereas the working group established a Terms of Reference to cover various matters related to wild rice that includes the management and harvesting of wild rice, public education of indigenous history and culture along Trent Severn Waterway, and related consultation; and

Whereas the development of a strategy to manage wild rice has proved to be complex and time consuming resulting in another year with no management plan; and

Whereas waterfront property owners on Pigeon, Chemong and Buckhorn Lakes are expressing extreme frustration over the lack of progress to address the mechanical harvesting of wild rice that is severely impacting access to the waterway and the enjoyment of their properties;

Now therefore the Township of Selwyn strongly urges the Federal Government through Parks Canada to bring forward the specific issue of mechanical harvesting of wild rice on Pigeon, Chemong and Buckhorn Lakes to the working group as an immediate item for resolution, specifically:

- To establish a method for harvesting the wild rice that considers the needs of adjacent waterfront property owners as the current mechanical method of using an air boat generates excessive noise that is disturbing to waterfront property owners and is affecting the enjoyment of their property, and
- To establish time limits on mechanical harvesting by limiting the hours per day for harvesting and establishing no harvesting on Sundays; and

Further that Parks Canada continue to consider applications for aquatic vegetation removal in this area to allow waterfront property owners to make use of the waterway; and

That a copy of this Resolution be provided to M.P. Maryam Monsef with a request that she advance an immediate resolution through the working group to address this very specific circumstance and ensure that another season does not pass without a plan that addresses the mechanical harvesting of rice on Pigeon, Chemong and Buckhorn Lakes; and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Councils of the City of Kawartha Lakes and Municipality of Trent Lakes whose municipal boundaries border Pigeon, Chemong and Buckhorn Lakes.

Councillor Anita Locke - yes
Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis - yes
Mayor Mary Smith - yes
Councillor Donna Ballantyne - yes

Carried.

Question Period

Council entertained questions from the public from 6:24 PM – 6:40 PM.

Chair Mayor Smith excused herself from the meeting in order to attend a Peterborough Public Health Board commitment. Deputy Mayor Senis assumed the Chair.

By-laws

Resolution No. 2017 - 193 - By-laws First, Second & Third Reading

Councillor Donna Ballantyne – Councillor Anita Locke –

That By-law 2017-058, a By-law to authorize an amending agreement for the Rural Economic Development Funding Grant; and

That By-law 2017-059; being a By-law to authorize a site plan agreement with Buckhorn Hardware Ltd. be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Resolution No. 2017 - 194 - Confirming By-law

Councillor Anita Locke – Councillor Donna Ballantyne –

That By-law 2017-060, a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on September 26, 2017 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Carried.

Adjournment

Resolution No. 2017 - 195 - Adjournment

Councillor Anita Locke – Councillor Donna Ballantyne –

That the meeting be adjourned. (6:40 PM)

Carried.