



THE VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2017

The regular meeting of The Burk's Falls Council was held on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at the Municipal Office at 5:30pm.

Present: Reeve Cathy Still, Councillors, Jarvis Osborne Rex Smith, Lisa Morrison, Lewis Hodgson.
Staff: Nicky Kunkel, Clerk;

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

None Declared.

Reeve Still opened the public meeting regarding proposed Bylaw 2017-17 for Urban Chickens and Exotic Animal indicating the purpose of the meeting is to gather the public comments for Council to consider when making decision. The Clerk read the bylaw for the audience. Audience members Robert Ritchie, Heidi Clausen, Kate Middleton, Ron Russell and Cindy Bourguignon spoke to the issue. Comments were received on clearing up definitions throughout the bylaw; accumulation, in any way, excessive, other comments were on the number of hens from 4 to 12 or until passing then lower, coops in side yards as well as rear yards, why not in curbside pickup, compost provisions, where is in pound, location of coop near natural ground water spring, and creating special amendments for site specific issues. Council confirmed they will take the comments into consideration and will also review the recent bylaw from Orillia. The Public meeting ended at 6:20 pm.

Resolution 2017-150 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby approves the minutes of the regular Council meeting of August 22 and the special meeting of August 24 and September 18, 2017 as circulated.
Carried.

DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL

1. Tracie O'Neil and Nancy Kyte attended the meeting to speak about school safety with all students now travelling to Land of Lakes. They expressed concern for the location of the crossing guard, additional lights for school safety within the existing school zone, and signage and speeding on Ontario Street. Suggestions proposed for Council consideration; cross walk marking at every intersection on Ontario Street, overhead flashing light, radar lights showing speed, Main Street and Huston Street Intersection confusing and needs a crossing guard, do capital work outside of school period, hold a public meeting for all parents. Council indicated they will research some of the suggestions and contact the OPP.

STAFF REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

1. Housing Study: Council received the report prepared by staff on the housing market in Burk's Falls over the last 4 years. During this period 20% of the Village's households transferred title. This indicates that the market is strong and there is significant new home ownership.
2. Council received the Fire Chief's Report on monthly activity as presented. There was discussion on the mandatory requirement to replace the tanker after 15 years even with nothing wrong with it. Council would like more information on this regulation.
3. Council received the report from Landfill Administrator and indicated much of the report was discussed the previous night at the Tri Council meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Council received the letter from Fell Homes indicating willingness to investigate a partnership with pleasure. An invitation will be sent for a representative to attend our next meeting when it is scheduled.
2. Council received the letter from the Attorney General declining our offer for court services with disappointment.
3. Council discussed the notice of the Royal Bank closure in March 2018. Council instructed the Clerk to prepare a letter to the federal government expressing concern and displeasure and ask for it to remain open for operations within the Village. Should that not be successful then send a letter to all other banks asking for their services so that residents can still obtain local and accessible banking options and competition.
4. Council received the proposed formula calculations from the Regional Fire Services Committee and understand more formal information will be forthcoming.
5. The Clerk explained the notes from the construction meeting for the Ontario Street Rehabilitation Project. There are issues with the accessibility formats for the sidewalk that still need to be worked out. As well, the survey showed that the Village doesn't



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own the sidewalk up to the business front doors meaning the portion the Village does own will be replaced but not the portion to the buildings. There was discussion on how to proceed with this. An open house public meeting is arranged for Thursday, October 5th, 2018 for the public to view the proposals and make suggestions.

6. Council briefly reviewed the province's framework for cannabis with no decision on whether to opt in or out.
7. Council heard that the Library is starting their new strategic plan process. Also, that due to the water damage there has been mold found in the wall in the boardroom and that it is scheduled to be fixed next week.
8. Council received the OPP report and briefly spoke about their Strategic Plan for the Almaguin Region. Copies are available.

RESOLUTIONS:

2017-151 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by Rex Smith
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby instruct the Clerk to prepare a letter to the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada to ask for a review of the proposed Royal Bank Closure.
Carried

2017-152 Moved by Rex Smith – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
That the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$ 551,276.13 as presented up to and including September 26, 2017 hereby be approved for payment. Carried

2017-153 Moved by Jarvis Osborne – Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That By-law No. 19-2017 being a By-law to enter into an agreement for a regional fire training officer be read a first, second and third time and passed this 26th day of September 2017. Carried.

2017-154 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by Rex Smith
That By-law No. 20-2017 being a By-law to enter into an agreement with NOHFC for funding for the Road to Revitalization Project be read a first, second and third time and passed this 26th day of September 2017. Carried.

2017-155 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That By-law No. 21-2017 being a By-law to amend the procurement policy be read a first, second and third time and passed this 26th day of September 2017. Carried.

2017-156 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby accepts the sole submission for the Road to Revitalization project; Downtown Revitalization and Waterfront Master Plan to Karen Jones Company in the amount of \$49, 633.00. Carried.

2017-157 Moved by Lisa Morrison – Seconded by Lewis Hodgson
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby accepts the quote from Fowler Construction for pavement repairs on Ontario Street and Centre Street in the amount of \$6,790.42. Carried.

2017-158 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby accepts the contracts for winter maintenance as follows:

1. Parking Lots: Health Centre and Library / Seniors
Mulligan was awarded the contract in 2016 with a provision for extension. Council is pleased with the performance and will offer the contract to Mulligan again for 2018.
2. Road Maintenance
Whitmells were awarded the contract for the road maintenance for a five-year term and this is year three. Council is satisfied with the performance and will continue to the contract.
3. Winter Sand
Council will change the winter sand responsibility to the contractor with the road maintenance contract from the 2017/2018 season moving forward. This will ensure that the contractor



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laying the road sand is also responsible and therefore liable for the quality of winter sand they use. Carried

2017-159 Moved by Rex Smith– Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby waives the fee for the BACED 13 Ways to Kill your Community Event at the Karl Crozier Community Center on October 18, 2017. Carried.

2017-160 Moved by Rex Smith– Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby authorizes attendance at the following conferences;

ROMA January 2018

1. Reeve Still
2. Councillor Hodgson
3. Councillor Morrison
4. Clerk Nicky Kunkel
5. Bruce Campbell

OGRA February 2018

1. Councillor Smith
 2. P.W Foreman
- Carried

Councillor's Report

Meetings this month included the Tri Council of September 25, Special Council meeting of September 18 and farewell dinner for Linda Maurer.

Councillor Hodgson attended meetings for economic development and the R2R Project. He indicated both projects moving along with good concepts. Regional Economic Development will apply for Phase 1 FedNor funding.

Councillor Morrison attended the Library meeting and also commented that the community bus is needing a lot of work and would like staff to research possible grants for replacing it. She would also like to inquire about another volunteer appreciation BBQ.

Councillor Osborne attended all the special meetings this month.

Councillor Smith attended the HazMat day and all special meetings this month.

Reeve Still attending the MAHC Task Force meetings and provided an overview of the concepts discussed. She is working on compiling data for seasonal residential for 2017.

2017-161 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
Council for the Village of Burks Falls now enters into a closed meeting at 19:47, pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c.25, Section 239 (2) (a) if the matter is personal regarding an identifiable individual. Carried

2017-162 Moved by Lewis Hodgson – Seconded by Jarvis Osborne
Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby reconvenes to regular, open session at 20:21pm.
Carried

2017-163 Moved by Rex Smith– Seconded by Lisa Morrison
That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby adjourns at 20:30pm and agrees to meet again on October 24, 2017. Carried

Cathy Still
Reeve

Nicky Kunkel
Clerk