

DUFFERIN COUNTY COUNCIL



Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
51 Zina Street, Orangeville

Council Members Present:

Warden Walter Kolodziechuk (Amaranth)
Councillor Rob Adams (Orangeville)
Councillor Ken Bennington (Shelburne) (arrived at 7:15 p.m.)
Councillor Rhonda Campbell Moon (Mulmur)
Councillor Ed Crewson (Shelburne) (arrived at 7:15 p.m.)
Councillor Bill Hill (Melancthon)
Councillor Don MacIver (Amaranth)
Councillor Warren Maycock (Orangeville)
Councillor Ken McGhee (Mono)
Councillor Paul Mills (Mulmur)
Councillor John Oosterhof (East Luther Grand Valley)
Councillor Laura Ryan (Mono)
Councillor Allen Taylor (East Garafraxa)
Councillor Darren White (Melancthon)

Staff Present:

Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Pam Hillock, Clerk/Director of Corporate Services
Mike Giles, Chief Building Official
Alan Selby, Treasurer
Trevor Lewis, Director of Public Works
Keith Palmer, Director of Community Services
Valerie Quarrie, Dufferin Oaks Administrator
Wayne Townsend, Museum Director/Curator
Michelle Dunne, Deputy Clerk

Warden Kolodziechuk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Warden noted the upcoming meetings:

General Government Services – Monday, January 23, 2012
Public Works Committee – Tuesday, January 24, 2012
Community Development Committee – Thursday, January 26, 2012
Community Services/Dufferin Oaks Committee – Wednesday, February 1, 2012

Warden Kolodziechuk informed Council there is an article in Municipal World about resilient communities that highlights Amaranth Township and the County of Dufferin.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Oosterhof, seconded by Councillor Taylor .

THAT the Agenda and any Addendums distributed for the January 12, 2012, meeting of Council, be approved.

-Carried-

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Councillor McGhee , seconded by Councillor Adams .

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of December 8, 2011, be adopted.

-Carried-

PRESENTATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

4. Presentation – Headwaters Communities In Action

Ms. Sylvia Cheuy, Headwaters Communities in Action to addressed Council with respect to a review of the Community Well Being Report. She informed Council about the Headwaters Arts & Culture Planning workshop to be held on February 8, 2012 and a Community Foundations Learning event to be scheduled in spring of 2012. The emerging areas of interest are local food, alternative transportation options, arts culture and heritage and civic engagement. She advised that they are interested in knowing the County's priorities.

Councillors Bennington and Crewson arrived during the presentation (7:15 p.m.)

5. Presentation – Headwaters Health Care Centre

Ms. Liz Ruegg, Acting CEO, Headwaters Health Care Centre and Ms. Joan Burdette, Executive Director, Headwaters Health Care Foundation, presented to Council an update on the activities of the Headwaters Health Care Centre and their future plans. Ms. Ruegg gave an overview of their vision and mission statements, strategic directions, services available and noted they are celebrating their 100th anniversary this year. Ms. Burdette gave an overview of the foundation and their accomplishments.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES DUFFERIN OAKS COMMITTEE – January 11, 2012

Moved by Councillor Crewson, seconded by Councillor Campbell Moon

THAT the Community Services Dufferin Oaks Committee minutes of January 11, 2012 and the recommendations set out be adopted.

-Carried-

8. COMMUNITY SERVICES/DUFFERIN OAKS – January 11, 2012 - ITEM #4 Georgian Bay Funeral Service Association

THAT the correspondence from the Georgian Bay Funeral Service Association dated November 22, 2011 requesting an increase to the Indigent Funeral Schedule for 2012, received.

9. COMMUNITY SERVICES/DUFFERIN OAKS – January 11, 2012 - ITEM #5 Provincial Long Term Care Homes

THAT the correspondence from Mike Dickin, Provincial Long Term Care Homes dated December 16, 2011 with respect to requesting an increase in funds for long-term care facilities to buy raw food from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, be received;

AND THAT Council request the Ministry of Health to increase the daily raw food per diem rate from \$7.46 to \$15.00 for long term care facilities.

10. Treasury Report – 2012 Tax Policy Options

A report from the Treasurer dated January 12, 2012 with respect to options available for making changes to property tax policies in 2012.

Moved by Councillor Maycock , seconded by Councillor Campbell Moon

THAT the report of the Treasurer on tax policy options for 2012, be received;

AND THAT the 2012 Tax Ratios for the County of Dufferin remain unchanged from those used in 2011;

AND THAT the 2012 Tax Ratios and Tax Rates Bylaws be submitted for adoption using the same Ratios as in 2011.

-Carried-

11. Moved by Councillor MacIver, seconded by Councillor Crewson

THAT staff be directed to prepare a report to explain the Multi-Residential tax rate.

-Carried-

12. Director of Public Works – Municipal or Hazardous Special Waste Management Agreement with Stewardship Ontario

A report from the Director of Public Works dated January 12, 2012 with respect to the terms of funding from Stewardship Ontario for the Household Hazardous Waste Days.

Moved by Councillor Taylor , seconded by Councillor McGhee

THAT report CDC-2012-01-12 MHSW Agreement with Stewardship Ontario, from the Director of Public Works dated January 12, 2012 be received;

AND THAT the necessary by-law be presented to Council to approve the agreement.

-Carried-

13. Verbal Reports from Outside Boards

Wellington Dufferin Guelph Health Unit

Councillor Taylor reported the Health Unit had their inaugural meeting and Amanda Rayburn continuing as Chair.

Hills of Headwaters Tourism Association

Councillor Ryan reported the Association is continuing to work on the Municipal agreements.

Greater Dufferin Area Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor Oosterhof reported there was no meeting.

Greater Dufferin Area Physician Search

Councillor Oosterhof reported there was no meeting.

Centre Dufferin Physician Recruitment Committee

Councillor Crewson reported there was no meeting.

Niagara Escarpment Commission

Councillor McGhee reported reported they are meeting next week.

Western Ontario Wardens Caucus

Warden Kolodziechuk report they are meeting later this month.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

15. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

There was no notice of motions.

17. BY-LAWS

2012-01 A by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin during the year 2012.

(Authorization: Council – January 11, 2012)

2012-02 A by-law to provide property tax rebates to eligible charities for the year 2012.

(Authorization: Council – January 11, 2012)

2012-03 A by-law to set tax ratios and to set tax rate reduction for prescribed property subclasses for County purposes and lower-tier municipal purposes for the year 2012.

(Authorization: Council – January 11, 2012)

2012-04 A by-law to establish property tax rates for upper-tier (County) purposes for the Year 2012

(Authorization: Council – January 11, 2012)

2012-05 A by-law to approve an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Dufferin and Stewardship Ontario. (Municipal Hazardous and Special Waste Management Shared Responsibility Agreement)

Councillor McGhee asked for information to be included in By-law 2012-02 to reference to the administration of the program by local municipalities. Staff undertook to make the change.

Moved by Councillor Hill , seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT by-laws 2012-01 to 2012-05, inclusive, be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

18. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Maycock asked if the County had been notified and attended the Mulmur Council meeting on January 11th where they passed a motion for the intent to designate the former Stanton Hotel on Airport Road under the Ontario Heritage Act. Councillor Mills responded that the Warden had been notified the day prior to the meeting and the matter will be discussed at the January 24, 2012 Public Works meeting.

Councillor Taylor informed Council that Mike Giles will arrange for a public tour of the Courthouse addition.

19. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Crewson, seconded by Councillor Ryan

THAT Council move into closed session (8:24 pm) in accordance with Section 239 (d) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations and Section 239 (e) litigation or potential litigation.

-Carried-

In Closed session Council reviewed the closed session minutes of Council from December 8, 2011.

20. COUNCIL TO RISE FROM CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor McGhee , seconded by Councillor Ryan ,

THAT Council move into open session (8:25 pm).

-Carried-

21. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

2012-06 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on January 12, 2012.

Moved by Councillor Crewson, seconded by Councillor Ryan

THAT By-law 2012-06 be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

-Carried-

22. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Hill, seconded by Councillor White,

THAT the meeting adjourn (8:26 p.m.).

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm

Next meeting: February 9, 2012 at 7.00pm
Council Chambers, 51 Zina Street, Orangeville

Walter Kolodziechuk
Warden

Pam Hillock
Clerk