

2.1 WATER:

1. Water Financial Statements: (cc. Council – blue)

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

“THAT the water financial statements be accepted as presented.”

Carried

2. DWQMS – Review. Mock Emergency – no water provided by SWM (cc. Council – orange)

Council and Top Management reviewed all the steps required if in an emergency Southwest Middlesex was not able to provide water to the Village.

As part of the mock exercise Council discussed being back fed from the Town of Bothwell in an emergency and asked the Clerk to schedule this with Chatham-Kent.

3. Water meter removed at 29 York St. Mike confirmed the meter was removed at 29 York St
4. 10 water sleeves and rod replacements. Russ advised Council that he will be replacing the sleeves and rods at 1,3,4,5,6,8,10,11,12,14 and 15 Dundas St.
5. Review water rate financial plan 2020-2026 as proposed at the November meeting.

Council reviewed the proposed water rate financial plan for years 2020-2025 and passed a motion to accept the plan.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council accept the Water Rate Financial Plan for the years 2020-2026”.

Carried

2.2 SEWER:

1. Sewer Financial Statements: (cc. Council – green)

Moved By: Russ Patton

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the sewer financial statements be accepted as presented.”

Carried

2.3 DRAINAGE:

Mike advised Council that he was told that the Government 5/6 Drain was blocked.

Council discussed the sidewalk on Wellington ST. and had concerns that it will be under water when it rains and will be dangerous if the water freezes. Council asked that Mel take some pictures and forward to CIMA and Cassidy.

2.4 **FIRE:**

1. Monthly training records have been received to date.
2. Blue Card training. Chad is about half way through the training while Mark is about 75% finished. Tim LaCroix and Tim Kinsmen have not started yet.
3. Chad will provide the driver's form to the office which will provide the information Betty is asking for.
4. The Clerk will look into ordering a plaque after she receives the information from the Fire Chief.
5. Council asked if the Fire Chief was proceeding with any charges for the fire at 9 Tucker St. Council agreed that a letter and the Fire Chief's report be sent to London Middlesex Housing.
6. Chris Carrier of Fire Marque Inc. is asking for the Village to amend its fee by-law to include the wording "*should the insurer pay the coverage to the property owner, the property owner is liable to remit these funds to the municipality or its representative.*"

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

"THAT the wording be changed in the User Fee By-law to read "*should the insurer pay the coverage to the property owner, the property owner is liable to remit these funds to the municipality or its representative.*"

Carried

2.5 **BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT:**

MEU Consulting (Bill Menzie) By-law Enforcement Report. (cc. Council – purple)

Council asked if MEU was following through with 9 Tucker.

2.6 **CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

CBO Report provided as per hours submitted. (cc. Council-orange)

There is no report this month.

3. **COUNCIL MINUTES:**

Council minutes of the regular Council meeting held on November 9th, 2020.

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Russ Patton

“THAT the minutes from the regular Council meeting held on Nov. 9th, 2020, be accepted as presented.”

Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

INFORMATION ITEM

1. Municipal World Magazine, December, 2020.
2. Notification that the Conservation Authorities Act has been amended to ensure that members of the conservation authority that are appointed by participating municipalities are municipal councillors.

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

“THAT a letter be sent to Premier Doug Ford, MPP Monte McNaughton and the Conservation Authority to ask why this decision was made and to advise them that the public are more knowledgeable and just as valuable as a council member.”

Carried

3. Ministry of Finance advising that they are reducing the business education tax for 2021 by .88 percent.
4. Ministry of Infrastructure has notified this office that Newbury will receive a \$50,000 OCIF (Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund grant for 2021.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the 2021 OCIF be used to cover Newbury’s portion of the roads and sidewalks.”

Carried

6. ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS:

1. Review of Community Risk Profile. (cc. Council white)

Moved By: Stacey Goldrick

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council accept the review of the Community Risk Profile as presented.”

Carried

2. Review of Critical Infrastructure. (cc. Council white)

Moved By: Russ Patton

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council accept the review of the Critical Infrastructure as presented.”

Carried

3. Shawn Cartlidge is notifying the Village on behalf of the Emmanuel Church, *“the two trees out front are shedding its many branches again and we have had several fall on cars parked outside the Church as well. My new son-law is Matt Howard of Summit Tree Service and I can ask him for a generous quote to assist in removal of the trees for again safety and insurance purposes if we can partner with this also it would benefit many in the near future as well.”*

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the Clerk ask Ron Sharpe to take a look at the trees.”

Carried

4. COVID 19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream funding. Decision on what to apply for. (cc. Council – blue) Council reviewed the list of suggestions presented by the Clerk and passed the following motion.

Moved By: Russ Patton

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the Clerk apply for the grant based on the list presented.”

Carried

5. Building Incentive.

Moved By: Russ Patton

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council offers the following incentive for 2021 wherein a grant equal to the local portion of the taxes on any new residential building be given back once the house is built, assessed by MPAC and the taxes are paid in full but if the building has not been completed by the permit one-year expiry date, then the grant will expire.”

Carried

7. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** (cc. Council – white with pink top)

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

“THAT the financial statements be accepted as presented.”

Carried

8. **ACCOUNTS:** (cc. Council - purple)

Moved By: Russ Patton

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

“THAT the accounts that total \$38,621.59 be accepted as presented,”

Carried

9. (a) NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**9. (b) OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Each Council member was given the opportunity to bring new business to the table.

Russ advised Council that he has had some residents complain to him about not being able to dispose of tree branches, and clippings and would appreciate a burn pile. Council asked the Clerk to check to see if Chatham-Kent had a place that would accept yard waste.

Council asked if a new librarian has been appointed to the Newbury library and also they questioned if anyone was checking on the hydro and water etc. at the library.

Russ asked about plowing the sidewalks and the park walking path. It was noted that there was a complaint about piling snow on Washington St.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council go in-camera to discuss employee negotiations.”

Carried

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

“THAT Council rise from the in-camera meeting with no report.”

Carried

2. By-law 120-20, being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury.

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Stacey Goldrick

“THAT By-law 120-20, being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury is given first and second reading this 7th day of December, 2020.”

Carried

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Russ Patton

“THAT By-law 120-20 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed and sealed, and numbered 120-20, this 7th day of December, 2020.”

Carried

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings (unless re-scheduled)

Regular Council on Monday, January 11th, 2020

REEVE DIANE BREWER

CLERK TREASURER BETTY D. GORDON