

MINUTES
NEWBURY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Monday, April 11th, 2016
6:00 p.m.



MEMBERS PRESENT: Reeve Diane Brewer, and Councillors, Chris Degraw, Abe Van Der Wyngaard, Ron Challis and Mike Noe

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Betty D. Gordon, Clerk-Treasurer

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Chad Trethewey
Laura Bowles, Newbury's By-law Enforcement Officer
Rien Minnema - Middlesex Federation of Agriculture
Mr. Max Gow – Canadian Cancer Society representative

Reeve Diane Brewer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

Mike Noe declared a conflict with item # 8. 36

2. **DELEGATIONS:**

(a) 6:00 Mr. Rien Minnema - Middlesex Federation of Agriculture

Mr. Minnema provided literature from the Middlesex Federation of Agriculture to Council and reviewed the organization's activities.

(b) 6:30 Mr. Max Gow – Canadian Cancer Society representative

Mr. Gow provided information from the Canadian Cancer Society to Council and to support the Society's cause he asked that Council and staff wear a daffodil pin for the month of April.

(c) **WATER:**

1. March reads. There were no issues with the March water reads.

2. Council reviewed the quote from Corix Water Products for service boxes with rods. (cc. Council)

(d) **SEWER:**

1. Review two quotes to have the fuel tank at the sewer plant retro fitted to TSSA standards. Mike will provide the name of another company who will be asked to quote.
2. Terratec Environmental Ltd. Submitted a quote of \$13.50 per c.m. to haul sludge. The proposal was accepted by Council.
3. Update on sewer issue – upsetting the plant.

Moved By: Chris Degraw

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the owner of the car wash be invoiced the full amount for the extra expenses incurred by the Village because of a substance emptied into the sewer system by way of his business and that if it happens again he will be disconnected from the system.”
Carried

4. Backflow preventers were inspected by Wallace-Kent Sprinkler Systems and both units passed.

(e) **DRAINAGE:**

1. Response from Spriet regarding the hydro invoice for the Tucker Street Drain.
2. SWM has notified this office that the Gov't 5 & 6 was brushed in the fall of 2016 and after July 1st the contractor will complete the excavation work.
3. Drainage issue at 7 O'Mara St. (cc. Council)

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Abe Van Der Wyngaard

“THAT once the ground is dryer, the six (6) inch line is to be replaced on O'Mara Street from the corner of Washington St. to Elgin Street and that Russ Patton, Perry McDonald and A-Xcavating be asked to quote on the job.”
Carried

4. Drainage issue at 1 Durham St. (cc. Council) Mike will take a look at it.

(f) **FIRE:** Fire Chief Chad Trethewey.

- Monthly training records were received.
- Physio-Control LIFEPAK CR Plus AED info. (cc Council)
- Chad reported to Council that in his opinion the metal roof at the firehall needs to be tarred; a defib was ordered for the Legion; Kris Root has joined the department; the department received a \$1000 voucher for safety literature; the volunteers are starting a new system of taking turns to clean the hall and trucks etc.; a mirror has

to be ordered for the truck; he needs brackets to hang tools; the department is getting low on DZ drivers; a quote to repair the intake valve came in at \$1000; he is researching headsets; Records Pro costs \$2200 plus yearly license fee – he asked if Council would pay for the yearly fee and he would fund raise for the program.

(g) **BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT:**

By-law Enforcement Report as per hours submitted. (cc. Council).

Laura explained her concerns with the wording in the parking by-law regarding a clause wherein it states No Parking signs have to be erected to enforce the by-law. She asked that the clause be removed.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the clause regarding having No Parking sign posted be removed.”

Carried

Laura discussed how the procedures for enforcing the Property Standards By-law and the Clearing and Clearing by-law differ and asked if the Clearing and Cleaning could be enforced the same way as the Property Standards.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Abe Van Der Wyngaard

“THAT the portion of the Clearing and Cleaning By-law wherein it states how many notices are to be issued before the by-law can be enforced be taken out and the By-law Officer be given the authority to directly send out an Order to Comply.”

Carried

Laura asked Council if she could start a Newbury Face Book page wherein she would post Village activities and notices etc. Council agreed as long as it was monitored and there was no cost or negative posts.

Moved By:
Challis

Chris Degraw Seconded By: Ron

“THAT Laura be authorized to create and monitor a Newbury Face Book page as long as there was no cost or negative posts.”

Carried

Laura asked Council if they would pay for her membership to the Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association.

Moved By: Chris Degraw

Seconded by: Mike Noe

“THAT Council appreciates Laura upgrading her qualifications but decline to provide finances to assist her.”

Carried

(h) **CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

Report provided as per hours submitted. (cc. Council)

3. **COUNCIL MINUTES:**

Council minutes of the regular Council meeting held on March 14th, 2016.

Moved By: Chris Degraw

Seconded By: Abe Van Der Wyngaard

“THAT the minutes from the regular Council meeting held March 14th, 2016, be accepted as presented.”

Carried

4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

1. Information update on Newbury having a vote/seat at County Council.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

INFORMATION ITEM

1. Municipal World Magazine – April 2016.
2. Invitation from the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority’s 44th Annual Canoe Race on Sun. April 17th.
3. The London Middlesex Health Unit has advised this office that the Government is suggesting changes to the regulations under the Electronic Cigarettes Act and will include a definition of smoking to include the smoking or holding of lit medical marijuana and electronic cigarettes.
4. Ministry Responsible for Seniors Affairs is advising that June marks the 32nd anniversary of Senior’s Month in Ontario.
5. Township of Montague providing a copy of their resolution that requests the Minister of Health and Long Term Care to reinstate incentives for physicians to practice in rural areas in Ontario.
6. Town of Tillsonburg providing a copy of their resolution that strongly urges the Province and other private and public sector partners to ensure waste generation is minimized and stays within the municipal area where it is generated.
7. Municipality of Bluewater providing a copy of their resolution that requests the Minister of Health and Long Term Care to reinstate incentives for physicians to practice in rural areas in Ontario.

6. ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS:

1. Review of the 2015 Budget Actuals and a review of the 2016 Budget #1.

No decisions were made at this time.

2. Request from the Newbury Librarian regarding an outside light. (cc. council)

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Chris Degraw

“THAT the light be replaced at the library with an LED light.”

Carried

3. Quote for a warning Track at the park. M (cc. Council)

Moved By: Abe Van Der Wyngaard

Seconded By: Chris Degraw

“THAT Council authorizes ordering a load of red clay for the diamond but declines having the warning track done this year.”

Carried

4. Middlesex Municipal Association Annual Meeting, April 28th, at the Coldstream Community Centre. (cc. Council)

The Reeve, Clerk and a past councillor may attend the meeting.

5. Review of a motion of Council from May 2015 regarding renting Newbury vacant land.

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Chris Degraw

“THAT anyone renting land owned by the Village of Newbury be advised that the municipality will not be liable for any issues regarding the use of the land by the renters; and that the renter also be advised that there is no charge to rent the land; and that the renters also be advised that they will not be compensated for any damage or crop loss if the land has to be accessed in an emergency by the municipality and that if the municipality needs to use the land not in an emergency then it will be scheduled when the land is not being used by the renter and also that the renters be advised that Council would like this agreement initiated at the beginning of each year prior to it being used.”

Carried

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Abe Van Der Wyngaard

“THAT the financial statements be accepted as presented.”

Carried

8. ACCOUNTS:

Moved By: Chris Degraw

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the accounts that total \$43,992.12 accepted as presented and paid in full.”
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.

Chris Degraw asked if Council could ask for a quote for resurfacing the tennis courts when we ask for a quote to resurface the roads.

Mike Noe advised Council that there could be a serious potential sewer issue on the line that services McNaughton’s Home Hardware. He will investigate the issue further.

Ron Challis asked to confirm a date for a planning session – Mon. April 25th was chosen.

Abe Van Der Wyngaard questioned the sewer plant hydro bill – Abe was reminded that the water consumption was over stated but since has been adjusted.

Mike Noe also said that there could be an incentive lighting program for inside the sewer plant. He will investigate.

The Clerk showed Council an article that she co-wrote for a Chinese magazine regarding local government; how Newbury receives its money and how it is used to operate and manage the Village.

2. By-law 106-16, being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury.

Moved By: Chris Degraw

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT By-law 106-16, being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury is given first and second reading this 11th day of April, 2016.”
Carried

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Abe Van Der Wyngaard

“THAT By-law 106-16 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed and sealed, and numbered 106-16, this 11th day of April, 2016.”
Carried

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved By: Chris Degraw

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings (unless re-scheduled)

Regular Council on Monday, May 9th, 2016.

REEVE DIANE BREWER

CLERK-TREASURER BETTY D. GORDON