MINUTES NEWBURY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL Monday, September 12, 2022 6:00 pm



PRESENT: Reeve Diane Brewer, Councillors Ron Challis, Mike Noe and Russ Patton

ABSENT: Councillor Stacey Goldrick

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk-Treasurer Cathy Case

Fire Chief Chad Trethewey (for part of meeting)

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Brewer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Moved By:

Councillor Challis

Seconded By:

Councillor Noe

"THAT Council approve the addition of item 9.(a).7 under New & Unfinished Business – Conditions of Offer/Approval to Proceed-Electric Vehicle Chargers as requested by the Clerk-Treasurer." – Carried.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act requires any member of Council to declare a pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof; and, where the interest of a member of Council has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and otherwise comply with the Act.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. <u>DELEGATIONS & TIMED EVENTS:</u>

There were no scheduled delegations or timed events.

2.1 WATER:

1. Water Financial Report

Moved By: Seconded By: Councillor Noe

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council accept the water financial report for period ending August 31, 2022 as presented." – Carried.

- 2. DWQMS no report
- 3. Water Rate Review

The Clerk-Treasurer reviewed the water rate structure approved by Council in 2021. The increase to the cost of water from Tri-County will impact the approved 5-year rates. The cost of water to Newbury customers will need to increase, as the proposed rate will not be sufficient to fund the expected operational costs. The Clerk-Treasurer advised that a full water rate review will be undertaken.

2.2 SEWER:

Sewer Financial Report

Moved By:

Councillor Challis

Seconded By:

Councillor Patton

"THAT Council accept the sewer financial report for period ending August 31, 2022 as presented." – Carried.

2.3 DRAINAGE: None.

2.4 FIRE:

Fire Chief Trethewey attended the meeting at 7:08 pm.

- Training update
 Chief Trethewey advised that training is on-going with trainees divided into 2 groups.
 - 2. Blue Card training no update
- 3. Firefighter Recruitment
 Chief Trethewey advised that the department needs more recruits that can attend at daytime calls.
- 4. Mandatory Firefighter Certification
 The Chief advised that that the new regulations requiring all firefighters be certified to
 NFPA standards will be costly. He estimated that at minimum it will cost \$7500.00 per
 firefighter for training. Local training options are limited. He is not aware of any grants or
 other funding being offered by the Province.
 - 5. Other:
 - The Chief advised that Newbury was called to the barn fire to back up
 Wardsville Department. Firefighters were on sight for about 4 ½ hours. The
 Clerk-Treasurer will investigate whether our costs can be recovered through Fire
 Marquee. Southwest Middlesex provided a credit for the water estimated to be
 used at the fire drawn from the hydrant on Coltsfoot.

Fire Chief Trethewey left the meeting at 7:26 pm.

2.5 BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT:

By-law Enforcement Report for August 2022 as submitted by Officer Garett Cloud was reviewed.

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council accept the By-law Enforcement Report for August 2022 as submitted." – Carried.

2.6 CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL:

There were no building permits issued in August 2022.

3. <u>COUNCIL MINUTES:</u>

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held on August 8, 2022 were reviewed.

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT the minutes from the regular Council meeting held on August 8, 2022 be approved as circulated." – Carried.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- 1. Site Plan Control By-law no update
- 2. Insurance Claim-Wind Damage verbal update that all documentation has been submitted to insurance adjuster for review; looking into Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs
- 4. Entrance/Welcome Sign Repair no update

5. <u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u>

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. FCHS Foundation thank you for donation
- 2. Municipal World Article Listing from August and September issues
- 3. AMO Policy Update Throne Speech and Budget
- 4. County of Middlesex County Council Meeting Highlights-August 30, 2022
- 5. Ombudsman of Ontario Annual Report 2021-2022
- 6. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing introduction of Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act
- 7. Elder Abuse London-Middlesex information on organization

6. ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS:

1. Town of South Bruce Peninsula – Mandatory Firefighter Certification

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council support the Town of South Bruce Peninsula in requesting that meaningful consultation and collaboration with the affected municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario takes place with the Province so that municipalities can better manage their finances and workforce where emergency service provision is concerned." – Carried.

2. Town of Kingsville and Town of Wasaga Beach – opposition to Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council support the Town of Kingsville and the Town of Wasaga Beach and not support the Strong Mayors, Building Housing Act as the proposed changes will not demonstratively speed up the construction of housing and will erode the democratic process at the local level where members of Council have to work together to achieve priorities." – Carried.

3. Town of Aurora – requesting support for Private Member's Bill C-233 "Kiera's Law" (domestic violence crisis)

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council support the resolution from the Town of Aurora in calling upon the House of Commons to support Member of Parliament Anju Dhillon's Private Member's Bill C-233, that will raise the level of education on domestic violence and coercive control for federally appointed Judges." – Carried.

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Monthly Financial Report

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council accept the financial reports for the period ending August 31, 2022 as presented." – Carried.

8. ACCOUNTS:

The Clerk-Treasurer advised of the following addition to the account listing:

Southwest Middlesex-water consumption

\$5,129.46

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Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council approve the revised accounts totaling \$136,651.32 as presented." – Carried.

9. (a) NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Municipal Election 2022 – Compliance Audit Committee Report

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council receive the Municipal Election 2022-Compliance Audit Committee Report as presented by the Clerk-Treasurer for information purposes; that Council approved the appointment of Andrew Wright, Christene Scrimgeour and Daniel Ross as the members of the Committee; and that the Terms of Reference as per Schedule "A" to By-law No. 16-22 be adopted as presented." – Carried.

2. Makeover Middlesex Program – Public art installation grant program

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Noe

"THAT Council authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to apply to the Makeover Middlesex Program for a grant for a public art installation in the Village." – Carried.

Building Services – Cloudpermit Building Permit Software

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Noe

"THAT Council accept the proposal from Cloudpermit for building permit tracking software in the amount of \$2,000.00 annually with a one-time implementation fee of \$1,500.00 as recommended by the Clerk-Treasurer." – Carried.

4. Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance – resolution to support application

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT the Council of the Village of Newbury hereby requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to activate the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance program relating to the wind storm on Saturday, May 21, 2022 which caused incremental operating costs to be incurred by the Village; and that Clerk-Treasurer Cathy Case is given delegated authority to verify and attest to the accuracy of a claim submitted under the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance program." — Carried.

5. Electoral Districts – Proposed Redistribution Plan

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council receive and file information on the Proposed Redistribution Plan for

Electoral Districts." - Carried.

6. Meeting Date - change next meeting date to October 3rd or 4th

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT Council change the October meeting date to Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 6:00 pm." – Carried.

7. Conditions of Offer/Approval to Proceed-Electric Vehicle Chargers

The Clerk-Treasurer advised that the Economic Development Officer for the County of Middlesex provided the office/approval to proceed with an electric vehicle charger after the agenda had been finalized and requested that the approval be provided by Wednesday, September 14th. Council directed the Clerk-Treasurer to obtain additional information on the program and report to Council.

9. (b) OTHER BUSINESS:

Councillor Noe asked Councillor Patton to take a look at the catch basin at McNaughton Dodge parking lot. The owner reported that the asphalt is lifting around the opening.

Reeve Brewer inquired into Animal Control services and whether Chatham-Kent is interested in looking after Newbury.

10. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session of Council.

11. RISE AND REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

12. <u>BY-LAWS</u>

1. By-law No. 16-22, being a by-law to appoint a Compliance Audit Committee for the 2022 Municipal & School Board Elections

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT By-law No. 16-22, being a by-law to appoint a Compliance Audit Committee for the 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections under Section 88.37 of the Municipal Elections Act be given first and second reading this 12 day of September, 2022." – Carried.

Moved By:

Councillor Patton

Seconded By:

Councillor Noe

"THAT By-law No. 16-22 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed and sealed, and numbered 16-22, this 12 day of September, 2022." – Carried.

2. By-law No. 17-22, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury

Moved By:

Councillor Challis

Seconded By:

Councillor Patton

"THAT By-law No. 17-22, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury be given first and second reading this 12 day of September, 2022." – Carried.

Moved By:

Councillor Noe

Seconded By:

Councillor Challis

"THAT By-law No. 17-22 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed and sealed, and numbered 17-22, this 12 day of September, 2022." – Carried.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by:

Councillor Noe

Seconded by:

Councillor Challis

"THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 pm." - Carried.

REEVE DIANE BREWER

CLERK-TREASURER CATHY CASE