

A regular monthly meeting of Middleton Town Council was held at the Town Hall on Monday, February 9, 2015, starting at 7 p.m.

PRESENT

Chairing the meeting, Mayor Calvin Eddy; Deputy Mayor Dan Smith; Councillors Gail Smith, John Himmelman and Melinda den Haan; Chief Administrative Officer, Rachel Turner; Director of Finance, Marianne Daine; and Recording Secretary, Sharon McAuley.

Regrets: Councillors Darren Boates and Marc Britney.

15.02.01 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

15.02.02 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

150209.01: It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda as circulated. Motion carried.

15.02.03 IN-CAMERA

150209.02: It was moved and seconded that Council adjourn to in-camera at 7:03 p.m., to discuss matters relating to sale of municipal property. Motion carried.

The in-camera session ended at 7:07 p.m.

150209.03: It was moved and seconded that Council return to regular session at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried.

150209.04: It was moved and seconded that Council approve the sale, in the amount of \$3,500 (excluding HST), of lot # 3 Marshall Drive (PID 05053019) in the Middleton Industrial Park to John Elliott, per agreement drawn up by the Town's Solicitor. Motion carried.

150209.05: It was moved and seconded that Council approve the storm sewer easement on lot # 3 Marshall Drive (PID 05053019) in the Middleton Industrial Park to the Town of Middleton, per agreement drawn up by the Town's Solicitor. Motion carried.

15.02.04 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

150209.06: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 5, 2015, be approved, as circulated. Motion carried.

15.02.05 NEW BUSINESS

.01 Committee of the Whole Recommendations

a. Procurement Policy

150209.07: It was moved and seconded that Council approve the *Procurement Policy* as presented. Motion carried.

b. Middleton Fire Department Bylaw Changes

150209.08: It was moved and seconded that Council approve the Middleton Fire Department Bylaws, as amended. Motion carried.

c. Skatepark Location

150209.09: It was moved and seconded that Council dedicate property in the Rotary Park for the construction of a skatepark in 2015. Motion carried.

d. Council Honoraria

150209.10: It was moved and seconded that Council approve the resolution that one-third of the total honoraria and expense allowance paid to elected officers of the Town of Middleton shall be non-taxable income. Motion carried.

e. Appointments - Middleton Fire Department

150209.11: It was moved and seconded that Council appoint Tyler Ells and Jeffrey Mathias as members of the Middleton Fire Department. Motion carried.

150209.12: It was moved and seconded that Council, in accordance with the results of the elections of the Middleton Fire Department, ratify the appointments of Mike Toole as Fire Chief; Mike Toole, Scott Veinot and Neil Freeman as Fire Wards; and Gordon Rodgers, Kent Smith and Philip Townsend as Fire Constables. Motion carried

.02 Valley Waste-Resource Management (VWRM): 2015/16 Budgets

150209.13: It was moved and seconded that Council approve the January 21, 2015, draft operating budget for the Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority of \$10,372,787.00, with the Town's share being \$150,589 for 2015/16.

Council raised the following concerns regarding the purchase of a wind turbine for \$550,000:

- how power generation fits into VWRM's mandate;
- what the impact is on this year's operating budget;
- the fall clean-up has been restored and the leaf clean-up has not been restored;
- priorities should be on returning the clean-ups and creating efficiencies within the current system, prior to expanding into other venues such as power generation;
- the location of the wind turbine has not been determined which may increase the cost.

Council requested additional information on the wind turbine and that VWRM 2015/16 budget be placed on the agenda for the February Committee of the Whole meeting.

150209.14: It was moved and seconded that Council table the Valley Waste-Resource Management 2015/16 Budget to the February Committee of the Whole meeting. Motion carried.

.03 Appointment – Police Advisory Board

CAO Turner informed Council that Hilton Seymour has resigned from the Police Advisory Board and that John Thompson is interested in serving as a member.

150209.15: It was moved and seconded that Council appoint John Thompson as a member of the Middleton Police Advisory Board. Motion carried.

15.02.06 REPORTS

.01 Mayor

Mayor Eddy tabled his report for the month of January.

.02 Other Committee Reports

a. Valley Regional Enterprise Network (REN)

Mayor Eddy informed Council that:

- The Liaison and Oversight Committee had met on January 22.
- The Town of Berwick had raised concerns on the funding formula. The Chief Administrative Officers have developed a new formula which will be brought back to the partner municipal units and the REN Board. The formula has a base charge, with the other portion based on uniform assessment and population.
- The next meeting of the Selection Committee will take place in March, to review the applicants for the Board of Directors.

b. Valley Waste-Resource Management (VWRM)

Councillor Himmelman informed Council that VWRM was exploring the option of extending the contract with the Chester Landfill, hoping that a long-term contract will lower the fees associated with the eventual closure of the facility.

15.02.07 CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence for the month of January has been circulated to all Council members and posted on SharePoint.

15.02.08 ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

Deputy Mayor Smith asked for additional signage for parking. The parking lines are covered by snow and drivers are parking in the crosswalks and "no parking" zones.

Mayor Eddy reminded Council that the Committee of the Whole meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 17, due to the Heritage Day holiday.

15.02.09 ADJOURNMENT

150209.16: It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:51p.m. Motion carried.


MAYOR


RECORDING SECRETARY