

Arnprior, Ontario
November 13, 2007

The Regular Meeting of Council was held this date at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers with His Worship Mayor Terry Gibeau presiding, with all other Members of Council present with the exception of Councillor Eric Burton.

Also Present: C.A.O., Town Clerk, Planner, Chair, Municipal Heritage Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gibeau called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:02 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by W.J. Lammert

Seconded by Mark Willmer

AND RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. be adopted as duplicated and circulated.

Resolution CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Reeve Stack declared the following pecuniary interest:

“Motion to adopt Decision #10-B) Exemption of Municipal Portion of Taxes for Arnprior Legion, Branch 174. Reason: Currently a Member of the Legion Executive – Treasurer.”

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 303-07 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated October 22, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by Tom Peckett

Seconded by Nancy F. Black

AND RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, October 22, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. be adopted as duplicated and circulated.

Reeve Stack referred to the New Business/Announcements section of the minutes in which Councillor Burton noted that he had attended the Taste of the Valley event held in Cobden. Reeve Stack explained that at the Operations Committee

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4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES – Cont'd

Resolution No. 303-07 – Cont'd

Meeting held in Pembroke last week an invitation was extended to other municipalities in the County of Renfrew to host this event in 2008. On question, Council expressed an interest in being host to this event. Reeve Stack will inform the Operations Committee of the Town's interest in this regard.

Mayor Gibeau referred to Item 5, Delegations which indicated that Mr. Cross thanked Mayor Gibeau, Councillor Peckett, other Members of Council and the Town Clerk for their assistance to him in preparation of his presentation. On question of Mayor Gibeau it was agreed by the mover and seconder to amend to minutes to reflect that Council and staff did not assist in the preparation of his presentation to Council, but did assist in clarifying the delegation process to be taken.

Resolution CARRIED
(As amended)

5. DEPUTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Alastair Baird, County of Renfrew – Update on Economic Development

Mr. Baird began by thanking Council for the opportunity to attend the meeting at which time he provided an informative update on Economic Development in Renfrew County. Mr. Baird noted that the County of Renfrew focuses on five areas of economic development, Manufacturing, Tourism, Investment and Capital Development, Forestry and Agriculture and Agri-business and provided a summary of activities in each of these areas from across the County and also from any specific to Arnprior.

Mayor Gibeau thanked Mr. Baird for attending and for the information he provided to Council on Economic Development in Renfrew County.

6. PUBLIC MEETINGS

None

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7. MATTERS TABLED/DEFERRED/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

8. REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

None

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND MINUTES

- a) Resolution No.304-07 Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Report dated October 29, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. and November 5, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by Nancy F. Black

AND RESOLVED THAT the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Report dated Monday, October 29, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. and November 5, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. be adopted as duplicated and circulated.

The Clerk referred to the Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of November 5, 2007 and noted that Item f) 2007 & 2008 Landfill Site Work Plans needs to be amended in that the second paragraph of the recommendation arising out of the staff report was not included. On question, the mover and seconder agreed to the following amendment:

“AND FURTHER THAT Council approve \$40,000 in the 2008 Capital Budget to complete the 2008 recommended work plan for the Arnprior Landfill Site.”

Resolution CARRIED
(As amended)

- b) Resolution No. 305-07 Awards Committee Meeting Report dated November 30, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by W.J. Lammert

AND RESOLVED THAT the Awards Committee Meeting Report dated Tuesday, October 30, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. be received as presented.

Resolution CARRIED

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10. MOTIONS TO ADOPT DECISIONS

- a) Resolution No. 306-07 Adopt recommendations contained within the Awards Committee Meeting Report dated October 30, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by W.J. Lammert

AND RESOLVED THAT the resolutions contained within the Awards Committee Meeting Report dated Tuesday, October 30, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. be hereby adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

Reeve Stack earlier declared a pecuniary interest with the following matter and vacated the Chambers at 5:40 p.m. during discussion and/or voting on the resolution.

- b) Resolution No. 307-07 Ten year Exemption of Municipal Portion of Taxes for Arnprior Legion, Branch 174

Moved by W.J. Lammert

Seconded by Tom Peckett

AND RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior forgive the municipal portion of taxes for the Arnprior Legion, Branch 174 for ten years;

AND FURTHER THAT this take effect upon the current By-law's expiration;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior petition the County of Renfrew to follow our lead and forgive the County tax portion for all Legion Branches located in the County of Renfrew;

AND FURTHER THAT the County of Renfrew provide a written response to the Town of Arnprior and the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 174.

Resolution CARRIED

Reeve Stack returned to the Chambers at 5:41 p.m.

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10. MOTIONS TO ADOPT DECISIONS - Cont'd

- c) Resolution No. 308-07 Placing of "Support our Troops" decals on Town of Arnprior Vehicles

Moved by W.J. Lammert

Seconded by Walter Stack

AND RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior support the action of placing "Support our Troops" decals on all Town of Arnprior vehicles.

Resolution CARRIED

- d) Resolution No. 309-07 Santa Claus Parade – November 24, 2007

Moved by Nancy F. Black

Seconded by Walter Stack

AND RESOLVED THAT permission be granted to the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 174, to conduct the Annual Santa Claus Parade on November 24, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. with the parade route as follows:

Commencing at Winner's Circle, down Daniel Street, left on Edey Street, right on John Street, left on Elgin Street to Madawaska Street, right on Madawaska Street to John Street, right on John Street to Elgin Street, left on Elgin Street to Daniel Street, right on Daniel Street to the Legion where Santa's float drops off and the rest of the parade continues back to Winner's Circle.

Resolution CARRIED

11. BY-LAWS

- a) Resolution No. 310-07 Designate portion of Downtown Arnprior as a Heritage Conservation District

Moved by Walter Stack

Seconded by Tom Peckett

11. BY-LAWS – Cont'd

a) Resolution No. 310-07 – Cont'd

AND RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 5577-07 being a by-law of the Town of Arnprior to designate a portion of Downtown Arnprior as a Heritage Conservation District, be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Reeve Stack referred to the memo from the Planner, Robin Smith, dated November 9, 2007 regarding Investing in Heritage: Municipal Tax Back Grants – Heritage Conservation Workshop – on November 17, 2007. Following discussion, Council requested the Planner bring back a report on this subject following the Workshop. Councillor Lammert expressed thanks to the Committee for their time and effort in bringing this matter to fruition.

Resolution CARRIED

b) Resolution No.311-07 The Ontario Geospatial Data Exchange Agreement

Moved by Nancy F. Black

Seconded by Mark Willmer

AND RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 5578-07 being a by-law to enter into the Ontario Geospatial Data Exchange Agreement being an agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior and Her Majesty the Queen in the Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources, be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution CARRIED

c) Resolution No. 312-07 Alternate Emergency Operations Centre Agreement

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by W.J. Lammert

AND RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 5579-07 being a by-law to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior and the Township of McNab/Braeside for using each municipality as an alternate Emergency Operations Centre, be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

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11. BY-LAWS – Cont'd

- d) Resolution No. 313-07 Restriction of Use of Fire Hydrants in the Town of Arnprior

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by Nancy F. Black

AND RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 5580-07 being a by-law to restrict the use of Fire Hydrants located in the Town of Arnprior, be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution CARRIED

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Accessibility at Town Hall

Moved by Terry Gibeau

Seconded by W.J. Lammert

AND RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior request the C.A.O. to notify Cogeco that the Corporation requires occupancy of the space they now occupy in the Town Hall at 105 Elgin Street West, on a month to month basis;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town requires occupancy on January 1, 2008.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the C.A.O. be requested to provide Council with a report outlining which Customer Service functions and corresponding staff will be moved to the main floor effective February 4, 2008.

IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD THAT this move shall be, at the lowest cost possible and of a temporary nature, until decisions are made by Council regarding the long term disposition of the Town Hall Building at 105 Elgin Street West.

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13. REEVE'S REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCIL

Reeve Stack provided the following highlights from the October County Council Meeting and the November Operations Committee Meeting:

- Requested information with respect to Renfrew County Integration Services. A copy of this information will be circulated to Council for their information.
- The issue of the Asset Management Program was discussed at the Operations Meeting. A copy of this information together with the County's proposed 10 year capital works program summary for 2008-2017 will be circulated to Council for their information. The Committee is requesting feedback from Council and staff by early December.
- A presentation to County Council on November 28th was made by the Ministry of Transportation regarding Highway 17/417 Twinning from just east of Campbell Drive to just west of Scheel Drive. Following discussion, Council requested that a resolution be prepared by staff regarding this matter to be presented at a Council Meeting for Council's consideration. A copy of the presentation will be circulated to Council.

14. CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS

Resolution No. 314-07 Correspondence Package for the period November 2, 2007 to November 8, 2007

Moved by Nancy F. Black

Seconded by Mark Willmer

AND RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Correspondence Package for the period November 2, 2007 to November 8, 2007.

Information Items:

Councillor Lammert referred to Item 3, Letter of response from Sgt. Paul Dowdall regarding traffic concerns on Daniel Street South, and on question, the C.A.O. noted the letter was circulated to the County of Renfrew.

Councillor Lammert referred to Item 5, Ontario Government's Ombudsman comments on Open Meetings and made comment that he agrees with AMO's position on this matter.

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14. CORRESPONDENCE & PETITIONS – Cont'd

Resolution No. 314-07 – Cont'd

Mayor Gibeau referred to Item 4, Library Board Minutes dated September 26th and noted with thanks the donation from Pfizer for the purchase of books in the areas of science and the environment.

Mayor Gibeau referred to Item 9 – Cheryl Gallant, M.P., Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke regarding the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (MRIF) Program and noted the Treasurer is pursuing these funding initiatives.

Action Items:

Reeve Staff referred to Item 1 – Invitation to attend a Celebration for John Berkhout, owner and manager of Champlain Storyland Limited and on question, Council agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Berkhout for his 33 years in providing entertainment to all who had the opportunity to visit Storyland. It was noted that Councillor Burton be asked if he would be available to make this presentation.

Mayor Gibeau referred to Item 1, Arnprior-McNab Ringette Association's request for financial support for their upcoming Ringette Tournament on December 7-9, 2007. Although the Town is not in the position to offer financial support, they are to be contacted to see if they would like a small brochure, including Town Map and Book Marks.

Mayor Gibeau referred to Item 3, Advertising Request from Fifty-Five Plus Magazine & Due West Magazine. This request was received as information only.

Mayor Gibeau referred to Item 4 Mitchell Wilkie, County of Renfrew – request for Arnprior representative on the OVED Partners Group. Following discussion, Council agreed that Mr. Alastair Baird, Business Development Officer for the County of Renfrew be asked to look out for Arnprior's interests in this regard.

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15. NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) On question of Councillor Lammert, the C.A.O. confirmed a resolution will be prepared for the November 26th Council Meeting to adopt the 2008 Capital Budget. A Notice has been prepared for the local newspaper and on the Town's Web Site to inform the public of Council's intention to adopt the 2008 Capital Budget.
- b) Mayor Gibeau noted the Remembrance Day Ceremony on Monday was phenomenal and well organized.
- c) Mayor Gibeau informed Council the Madawaska Girl's first ever hockey tournament is being held at the Nick Smith Centre on November 16-18th, 2007.
- d) Mayor Gibeau noted he was part of the Lunch Bunch on CFRA from 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. today which allowed him the opportunity to talk about the Town of Arnprior.
- e) Mayor Gibeau referred to a letter from Don Sullivan, Barrister-at-Law, regarding a decision that has been made to remove all contested matters from the Ontario Council of Justice at Renfrew, to take place as of May 1, 2008. The Court has been in operation for many years, and serves the citizens of Arnprior, Renfrew, McNab/Braeside, Horton, Admaston, Greater Madawaska and part of Whitewater Region, with a service population of more than 30,000. Mr. Sullivan stated that if the communities affected make serious enough representations, then the decision may be thought about again. Following discussion Council agreed that a resolution be presented at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting petitioning the Attorney General and the Minister of Municipal Affairs for reconsideration of this decision, and also to be sent to the area municipalities for their consideration and support.

16. MEDIA QUESTIONS

None

17. CLOSED SESSION

None

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18. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution No. 315-07 Confirmatory By-law of the Regular Meeting of Council dated November 13, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by Walter Stack

Seconded by Nancy F. Black

AND RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 5581-07 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution CARRIED

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on motion of Councillor W.J. Lammert and Councillor Mark Willmer.

Mayor Terry Gibeau

Carol Rousselle, Clerk