

Regular Meeting of the Village of Sundridge Council

Wednesday, August 16, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.
Village of Sundridge Council Chambers

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Lyle Hall, Deputy Mayor Ryan Jeffers, Councillors Jason Newman (departed at 7:32 p.m., returned at 7:37 p.m.), Russell Becker and Don Richardson (arrived at 6:13 p.m.)

STAFF PRESENT: Karen Fraser, Clerk Administrator, Estelle Moynes, Treasurer/Tax Collector (departed at 6:10 p.m.)

1) CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

The Mayor introduced the Treasurer/Tax Collector, Estelle Moynes. Estelle was invited to say a few words and was welcomed to the Municipality.

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #2017-101

Moved By: Ryan Jeffers

Seconded By: Russell Becker

That the agenda for Wednesday, August 16, 2017 be approved as amended to move Item 6(D.2), a Deeming By-law, into Committee of the Whole and have it re-ordered to follow immediately after Item 5(A.1) to allow the proponent to address Council.

Carried.

3) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

4) PRESENTATIONS

None.

5) DELEGATIONS

A) Public & Consultants

(A.1) Lawrence and Penny Erven - Request to install a drilled well

Resolution #2017-102

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That the Delegation by Lawrence and Penny Erven re: request to install a drilled well on the municipal easement which crosses their property, be received with thanks;
and

That staff engage the services of Robert Miller, Planner to provide an opinion on cost and options and report back to the proponents and subsequently to Council.
Carried.

6(D.2) By-law No. 2017-028 – Deeming By-law Lots 56 and 65 Plan M-427

[Item 6(D.2) was moved into Committee of the Whole and re-ordered to Follow Item 5 (A.1).]

Resolution #2017-103

Moved By: Jason Newman
Seconded By: Don Richardson

That By-law No. 2017-028, being a By-law to deem Lots 56 and 65 on Registered Plan M-427 not to be a registered plan of Subdivision for the purposes of Section 50(3) of the Planning Act, be adopted.
Carried.

B) Staff

None.

6) CONSENT ITEMS

[Items from the Consent List may be moved by members to be debated/discussed in Committee of the Whole]

A) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES

(A.1) Regular Council Meeting – July 19, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.01

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting dated July 19, 2017, be adopted as printed.

B) COMMITTEE & BOARD MINUTES

(B.1) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Regular Meeting – July 10, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.02

That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre regular meeting dated July 10, 2017, be received.

(B.2) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Meeting Closed Minutes – July 10, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.03

That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre closed meeting dated July 10, 2017, be received.

(B.3) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Regular Meeting – July 11, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.04

That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre regular meeting dated July 11, 2017, be received.

(B.4) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Meeting Closed Minutes – July 11, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.05

That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre closed meeting dated July 11, 2017, be received.

(B.5) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Regular Meeting – July 18, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.06

That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre regular meeting dated July 18, 2017, be received.

- (B.6) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Meeting Closed Minutes – July 18, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.07
That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre closed meeting dated July 18, 2017, be received.
- (B.7) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Special Meeting – July 19, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.08
That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre special meeting dated July 19, 2017, be received.
- (B.8) Sundridge and District Medical Centre Meeting Closed Minutes – July 19, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.09
That the minutes of the Sundridge and District Medical Centre closed meeting dated July 19, 2017, be received.
- (B.9) Central Almaguin Planning Board – July 19, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.10
That the minutes of the Central Almaguin Planning Board meeting dated July 19, 2017, be received.
- (B.10) Central Almaguin Economic Development Association – July 17, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.11
That the minutes of the Central Almaguin Economic Development Association meeting dated July 17, 2017, be received.
- (B.11) Town of Parry Sound EMS Advisory Committee – July 12, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.12
That the minutes of the Town of Parry Sound EMS Advisory Committee meeting dated July 12, 2017, be received.
- (B.12) Strong Cemetery Board – May 11, 2017
Resolution #2017-104.13
That the minutes of the Strong Cemetery Board meeting dated May 11, 2017, be received.

(B.13) Central Almaguin Economic Development Association – August 1, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.14

That the minutes of the Central Almaguin Economic Development Association meeting dated August 1, 2017, be received.

C) STAFF REPORTS

None.

D) BY-LAWS

(D.1) By-law No. 2017-027 - Appointment a Treasurer/Tax Collector

Resolution #2017-104.15

That By-law No. 2017-027, being a By-law to appoint a Treasurer/Tax Collector for the Village of Sundridge, be adopted.

(D.2) By-law No. 2017-028 – Deeming By-law Lots 56 and 65 Plan M-427

[Item 6(D.2) was moved into Committee of the Whole and re-ordered to follow Item 5(A.1)].

E) CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Staff

(E.1) Request for Enrolment in AMCTO

Resolution #2017-104.16

That the correspondence from Nancy Austin to the Clerk Administrator dated August 16, 2017, be received, and that her enrolment into Unit #2 of the AMCTO Municipal Administration Program (Municipal Law), commencing in September, 2017, be approved at a cost of \$350.00 plus HST; and

That these costs be covered by the municipality with the stipulation that the full cost will be recovered from the applicant if a passing grade is not achieved or if the applicant fails to remain in the employ of the municipality for three (3) years following completion of the course.

Inter-Governmental Correspondence

(E.2) JBC Monthly Update – June, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.17

That the correspondence from the Joint Building Committee re: Annual Permit Summary for period ending June 30, 2017, be received.

(E.3) JBC Monthly Update – July, 2017

Resolution #2017-104.18

That the correspondence from the Joint Building Committee re: Annual Permit Summary for period ending July 31, 2017, be received.

(E.4) Ombudsman Ontario – 2016-2017 Annual Report

Resolution #2017-104.19

That the correspondence from the Ombudsman of Ontario, re: 2016-2017 Annual Report, be received.

(E.5) Ministry of Municipal Affairs – Changes to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996

Resolution #2017-104.20

That the correspondence from Lou Rinaldi, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, received on August 1, 2017, re: Changes to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, be received.

Board and Agency Correspondence

None.

Other Correspondence

(E.6) Independent Electricity System Operator - 2016 Annual Report

Resolution #2017-104.21

That the correspondence from the Independent Electricity System Operator, dated July 19, 2017, re 2016 Annual Report, be received.

Resolutions of Support

(E.7) Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon – Private Members' Bill 141

Resolution #2017-104.22

That the correspondence from Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon dated July, 2017 re: support for Private Members' Bill 141 – Sewage Bypass Reporting Act, 2017 be received.

(E.8) Central Almaguin Economic Development Association – Support for NNEEC

Resolution #2017-104.23

That the correspondence from Central Almaguin Economic Development Association dated August 1, 2017 re support for Near North Enviro Education Centre funding to host the Northern Innovation Expo Event be received.

F) CONSIDERATION OF A CLOSED SESSION

(F.1) Resolution #2017-104.24

That Council hold a Closed Session meeting as provided for by Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, and the Village of Sundridge's Procedural By-law No. 2014-061, immediately following this Council meeting to deal with:

- a) Labour relations or employee negotiations
 - i) Administrative Assistant Position
- b) Council Education and Training
 - i) Incident Reporting

[This concludes the list of Consent Items on the Agenda for August 16, 2017]

7) APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

Resolution #2017-104

Moved By: Russell Becker
Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That Items listed as Consent Items for August 16, 2017 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as Resolutions of Council, except that Item 6(D.2), be moved into Committee of the Whole; and

That any Items for which pecuniary interest has been declared are deemed not to have been voted on or discussed by the individual making the declaration.

Carried.

8) MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #2017-105

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Jason Newman

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole.
Carried.

9) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Deputy Mayor Jeffers assumed the Chair.

(9.1) Regional Economic Development Partnership

[This motion was introduced by Lyle Hall at the July 19, 2017 meeting]

Resolution #2017-106

Moved By: Lyle Hall
Seconded By: Russell Becker

That Council agrees in principle to Partner with other Almaguin Highlands municipalities to form a Regional Economic Development organization for an initial three-year term, 2018 to 2020 inclusive; and

That Council agrees to share the projected costs of approximately \$8,000 per year, per municipality, to leverage senior government funding for regional project initiatives; and

That because of the Village of Sundridge's central Almaguin Highlands geographic location, the Village is willing to consider providing the facilities and support, required to locate the main organizational office in the Village, providing the Regional Economic Development organization reimburses the Village for the associated expenses.

Carried.

(9.2) Request for NELHIN OTN Funding from Burk's Falls FHT and AHHCC

[This motion was introduced by Lyle Hall at the July 19, 2017 meeting]

Resolution #2017-107

Moved By: Lyle Hall
Seconded By: Jason Newman

Whereas the Village of Sundridge residents use the Burks Falls OTN equipment on a continual basis and recognizes that the equipment at this site saves the vulnerable members of the Sundridge community travel time and costs and allow said residents to access examinations that may otherwise be missed or skipped, putting their health at risk; and

Whereas the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee (AHHCC) feels the replacement of the Ontario Telemedicine service is a vital and necessary service for the Almaguin Highlands residents; and

Whereas the OTN equipment servicing the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre will reach its life expectancy as of April 2018, and every five (5) years following, with no replacement funding anticipated; and

Whereas North East Local Health Integration Networks (NE LHIN) only provides funding for the OTN Nurse Coordinator; and

Whereas the NE LHIN's representative requested a letter from the Burk's Falls Family Health Team to strengthen the AHHCC's request for replacement funding; and

Whereas the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee have supported the Burk's Falls Family Health Team's request for the NE LHIN to provide surplus funding for the replacement of the OTN equipment in the amount of \$21,000 to \$25,000;

Now therefore, based on the established need in our communities, the Village of Sundridge Council also supports the request made by the Burks Falls Family Health Team and the Almaguin Highlands Health Center Committee that the NE LHIN provide funding for the replacement of the OTN equipment in the amount of \$21,000 to \$25,000.

Carried.

- (9.3) Request - Townships and Villages surrounding Burks Falls for on-going OTN funding

[This motion was introduced by Lyle Hall at the July 19, 2017 meeting]

Resolution #2017-108

Moved By: Lyle Hall
Seconded By: Jason Newman

Whereas the Village of Sundridge residents use the Burks Falls OTN equipment on a continual basis and recognizes that the equipment at this site saves the vulnerable members of the Sundridge community travel time and costs and allow said residents

to access examinations that may otherwise be missed or skipped, putting their health at risk; and

Whereas the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee was established to ensure residents of the Almaguin Highlands Region continued to have access to quality health care services following the sudden closure of the Burk's Falls and District Hospital; and

Whereas the OTN equipment servicing the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre will reach its life expectancy as of April 2018 and every five (5) years following, with no replacement funding anticipated; and

Whereas North East Local Health Integration Networks (NE LHIN) only provides funding for the OTN Nurse Coordinator; and

Whereas the NE LHIN's have been approached to fund the replacement cost through year end surplus with no guarantee of available funding or provision of same; and

Whereas the Village of Burk's Falls continues to assume all capital and operating costs of the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre; and

Whereas the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre OTN site services residents from the Almaguin Highlands communities, providing a service which offers specialized physician appointments without the expense and inconvenience of long distance travel; and

Whereas the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Committee requests that the municipalities comprising the Almaguin Highlands support the replacement cost of OTN equipment through an annual contribution of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per year for five (5) years;

Now therefore be it resolved that based on the established need in our communities, the Village of Sundridge Council supports the request made by the Almaguin Highlands Health Center Committee.

Carried.

Mayor Hall resumed the Chair

(9.4) Support for Near North Enviro-Education Centre (NNEEC) Grand Opening

Resolution #2017-109

Moved By: Don Richardson

Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That Council welcomes the Near North Enviro-Education Centre to the local business community and supports the September 30, 2017 Grand Opening and

extends best wishes for success with the Northern Innovation Expo and Northern Inspired Dinner; and

That Council supports any funding applications that would allow the Centre to offer programs and services for the benefit of environmental sustainability, rural economic sustainability, and social sustainability.

Carried.

(9.5) DM Wills – Request for Additional Inspection Costs

Resolution #2017-110

Moved By: Russell Becker

Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That the correspondence from DM Wills dated July 31, 2017 re additional fee proposal for John Street Rehabilitation, be received; and

That Council approves the additional amount of \$31,600 + HST to cover related costs.

Carried.

10) RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Resolution #2017-111

Moved By: Don Richardson

Seconded By: Russell Becker

That Committee of the Whole rise and return to the Council session to receive the Committee of the Whole Report.

Carried.

11) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Resolution #2017-112

Moved By: Russell Becker

Seconded By: Ryan Jeffers

That Council adopts the Committee of the Whole recommendations on August 16, 2017 as resolutions of Council.

Carried.

12) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lyle Hall

- Lyle discussed the provincial review of all 10 DSSAB's and encouraged attendance by members at the September 14, 2017 information session from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Parry Sound. Ryan and Russell will attend.
- Lyle represented Sundridge at AMO as a delegation before the MTO, and received support for "Bush Country" signage and not "Corridor" signage for the approach to the Village. Other infrastructure needs were discussed and will be followed at a later date. Details of the AMO sessions he attended will be provided to members of Council via e-mail.

Russell Becker

- Melinda Kent is the new Chief Librarian.
- The Sunflower Festival had an estimated 4,800 attendees making it the best-attended festival to date. A survey has been circulated to determine the effectiveness of the economic impact of the event. The Firefighters' breakfast was very well attended.

Ryan Jeffers

- Confirmed that Sundridge has passed a resolution in support of an investigation into amalgamation (Sundridge/Strong/Joly).

Jason Newman

- Discussed a complaint he received about availability of the Community Centre during the Sunflower Festival. All requests for bookings are to flow through the municipal office.

Don Richardson

- Don is anxious to move forward with conversion from electric to gas heat and to put out a tender for a generator.

Karen Fraser (Clerk Administrator)

- Communication between Sunflower Festival Committee and municipal staff was much improved over last year – thank you to all. Municipal staff are happy to work more closely in future to make even better.
- Propose to host the next Tri Council some time in October to follow up on amalgamation discussions and any other items of relevance. Stay tuned for a date.
- The John Street tender closing and review dates have changed to August 24, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. (Closing) and August 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. (Review).
- The finance intern is now working at one of the spare desks in the former Council Chambers. This may limit when and how this room is used. Please be sure to book any meeting or use of the facility with staff.
- Staff propose a special pre-budget meeting on Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
- The Splash pad requires regular cleaning and inspection. Daily inspection of mechanical parts, fixtures, and surface is in place. Weekly cleaning of the surface on Friday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to noon will require the splash pad to be closed. Notice will be posted.

13) INTRODUCTION OF FUTURE MOTIONS

Mayor Hall will introduce a motion on September 13, 2017 to advocate on behalf of property owners whose properties have been impacted by spring high water and storm events.

Mayor Hall will introduce a motion on September 13, 2017 to support Strong Township in its commitment to remove of logs from the Bernard Creek Dam to assist with control of water levels in Lake Bernard.

14) CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #2017-113

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Russell Becker

That By-law No. 2017-029, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge at its meeting of August 16, 2017, be adopted.
Carried.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #2017-114

Moved By: Don Richardson
Seconded By: Jason Newman

That we do now adjourn at 8:16 p.m. until the Council meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, or at the call of the Mayor.
Carried.

Lyle Hall, Mayor

Karen Fraser, Clerk Administrator