

The Corporation of the Township of Lucan Biddulph Council Minutes

Present: Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson, Deputy Mayor D. Manders, Councillor D. Regan and A. Westman

Also Present: R. Reymer-CAO/Clerk, T. Merner-Deputy Clerk, K. Langendyk-Treasurer, J. Little-Public Works Manager, P. Smith-Parks & Recreation Manager

Absent: Councillor P. Mastorakos

Call To Order

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson called the meeting to order at 6:28 pm.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest & Nature Thereof

None.

Notice of Consideration

Stumpf Drain Branches "E" and "F"

Mike Devos from Spriet Associates presented the revised engineering report for the construction of Branches "E" and "F" of the Stumpf Drain. He noted that the report was referred back to Spriet Associates after the first meeting of consideration to address a couple of further requests from affected land owners. He noted that two additions were incorporated into the report including an additional tile and an extension of Branch "E" drain.

Roman Line Drain 2019

Mike Devos from Spriet Associates presented the engineering report for the construction of the Roman Line Drain. M. Devos noted the existing drain is fairly old and causing problems and the new drain would replace the existing 150mm clay tile with new 200mm and 250mm sewer pipe. He further noted the drain would extend further downstream to avoid conflict with an existing gasmain.

Will Timmermans advised the previous 6" drain served residents well for years and asked why the size of tile is now being increased. M. Devos advised the increase in size is a result of locating the gas main and the increased cost will be charged to Union Gas.

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson noted the largest assessment is charged to the Township and M. Devos explained that the drain will be constructed cooperatively as a user pay system with all land owners and the Roman Line road, owned by the Township, is the largest user.

Minutes

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson clarified some confusion regarding the discussion that took place at the November 19, 2019 regular council meeting regarding the previous set of council minutes presented.

1/ Minutes

Moved by D. Manders

Seconded by A. Van Geel

That the regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Business Arising

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson noted all the items listed on the Business Arising are on-going items at this time. Councillor. D. Regan mentioned that a few residents have approached him and advised the feral cats seems to be decreasing in the area.

Communications Reports

R. Reymer commented on the letter included from the Town of St. Marys regarding the UTRCA 2020 Budget. He noted that while he can understand St. Marys frustration with the increase in their levies we have to acknowledge the substantial funding cuts that the Conservation Authorities have received from the provincial government.

Deputy Mayor D. Manders requested confirmation that we are participating in the the Bluewater Recycling Tree Chipping program and J. Little advised yes we will be, the same as we have in past years.

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson commented on the Notice of Open House included for the property located at 280 Main Street. R. Reymer advised this notice to residents is from the developer who is intending to inform the neighbouring community of their proposed plans for the subject property. Discussion took place regarding the location of the open house and that ideally, in future, meetings of this nature should take place in a separate location.

Committee Reports

CEDC

L. deBoer advised that the final meeting for 2020 was held recently and topics discussed included an online survey in the new year and participating in the business retention expansion program through OMAFRA which would require training for the Economic Development officer.

BRA

D. Manders gave an update on a recent meeting and advised that staff should have received the recent report regarding increase to the garbage and recycling fees. He further noted that the City of London will be the first to participate in the "Hefty Energy Bag" pilot program wherein they are being encouraged to use orange bags to collect hard-to-recycle plastics for reuses.

PRAC

P. Smith advised that PRAC will be meeting on December 11th and Glen Boy will be in attendance to present the feasibility study findings as well as options for moving forward with the fundraising campaign.

Staff Reports

CAO/Clerk

R. Reymer advised council that Senior Planner, Marc Bancroft has accepted a new position as the Director of Planning & Development Services at the Municipality of Thames Centre effective January 6, 2020 and added that his expertise will be missed in Lucan Biddulph. He further noted that that the County of Middlesex has interviews set up to try and fill his position as soon as possible.

R. Reymer gave a few other updates including the start of a new build at the Industrial Park subdivision and a reminder of the Strategic Plan exercise taking place Dec. 4th at 10 am.

T. Merner advised that a meeting with the policy committee will be scheduled for the New Year to review and continue with updating Township policies.

Finance

K. Langendyk gave an update on a recent meeting regarding updating our development charges and advised that BM Ross will be attending the January 7th council meeting to provide council with the background study presentation.

Planning

R. Reymer reviewed the report submitted by Senior Planner, M. Bancroft regarding the Site Plan approval for the lands to be developed by Glavin Coating & Refinishing Ltd. at the Industrial Park Subdivision. He noted that a bylaw authorizing execution of the Site Plan Agreement is included and the Agreement has been signed by the developer.

Public Works

J. Little summarized his report that was previously discussed during the Capital Budget Meeting regarding the Lucan Waste Water Capital expenditure. He advised that the head works component at the Lucan waste water treatment plant is starting to show signs of failure therefore will require some attention and investment in the very near future. J. Little recommended that BM Ross Engineers be instructed to develop a plan to replace the head works component with flow rates that will meet future expansion and that staff be authorized to submit an application for grant funding under the Green stream of the ICIP program.

J. Little provided further updates from his department, including Christmas lights installed; a few hydro poles to be repaired in Granton in order to turn Christmas lights on; Nagle Drive watermain extension project and MTO permit recently received so Geotech drilling can take place; winter operators course recently attended by two new employees; tender training course attended in Southwest Middlesex and new rules that apply and updates regarding the development charges meeting held last week.

Parks & Recreation

P. Smith advised the annual Lucan Santa Claus parade will take place this Saturday, Dec. 7th at 6 pm. He further advised the Michael Landsberg event presented by the Lucan Minor Hockey Peewee Boys Rep team takes place on Thursday, December 12th and staff have been working actively with members to promote mental health wellness and providing services to the community. He also noted that staff are working on expanding the seniors programming including programs such as seniors talk sessions, crafts and ukulele lessons. P. Smith advised that we are coming up on 100 years since the war memorial structure located at the Market Street Park was given to us and he is looking at funding to have it restored and possibly moved closer to the cenotaph location.

Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson suggested that council consider making a donation to cover the cost of the gymnasium rental space for the Michael Landsberg event on December 12th.

2/ Donation for Michael Landsberg event

Moved by D. Manders

Seconded by D. Regan

That the Council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph direct staff to make a donation to the Lucan Peewee Rep Boys hockey team to cover the cost of the gymnasium rental space for the Michael Landsberg Mental Health awareness event being held on December 12, 2019.

CARRIED

Councillor's Comments

Councillor A. Westman commented on the Cyber Security Awareness training session that was provided to council and staff recently and noted this would be of great value to residents of the community. Mayor C. Burghardt-Jesson advised we are to receive an electronic copy of the presentation and that she would follow up with the County IT Department to see when it will be available.

Councillor D. Regan advised he joined the Lucan Library event wherein author Keith Ross Leckie attended for the launch of his latest book "Cursed Blood of the Donnelly's". He noted the event was great and well attended.

Councillor D. Manders presented a request received from Linda Lewis regarding the naming of future streets at the Industrial Park subdivision. In honour of her parents, Eldon and Dorothy

Young, who owned the farm land for approximately 50 years, she requested consideration be given to a future street name as Young Street.

Councillor A. Westman reminded council and staff that the Granton Fire Departments annual Christmas Hay Ride event takes place on Saturday, December 14th from 4-7pm.

3/ Staff Christmas Gift Certificates

Moved by D. Regan

Seconded by A. Westman

That the Council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph authorize and direct the Clerk to purchase \$75 Gift Certificates from local businesses to give to the Township's employees for Christmas.

CARRIED

4/ Headworks replacement for Lucan Wastewater Treatment Plant

Moved by D. Manders

Seconded by A. Westman

That Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lucan Biddulph authorizes B.M. Ross and Associates to proceed with development of a plan to begin head works replacement at the Lucan Waste Water treatment plant.

CARRIED

5/ ICIP Green Stream Grant Application

Moved by D. Regan

Seconded by D. Manders

That the Council of the Township of Lucan Biddulph authorize staff to submit the formal application under the ICIP – Green stream program for the Lucan Waste Water Treatment plant head works project as per staff's report dated December 3, 2019.

CARRIED

6/ Confirming

Moved by A. Westman

Seconded by D. Manders

That if no one cares to speak to these By-laws on their First, Second and Third Reading, that they be considered to have been read a First time and Passed, read a Second time and Passed, read a Third time and Passed, that they be numbered:

- 63-2019 Stumpf Drain 2019
- 64-2019 Roman Line Drain
- 65-2019 Site Plan Agr. - Glavin Coating & Refinishing Ltd.
- 66-2019 Confirming By-law

CARRIED

7/ Adjournment

Moved by D. Regan

Seconded D. Manders

Resolved that the Council meeting be adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

CARRIED




MAYOR


CLERK