



GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Held Thursday, January 17, 2013 at 2:30 p.m.
In the Classroom, Town Hall

PRESENT:

R. Anderson	Councillor/Chair
S. Wells	Councillor
D. Foster	Deputy Mayor
M. Bercovitch	Councillor

G. Vadeboncoeur	CAO
P. Archdekin	Deputy Clerk
M. Quinlan	Treasurer
C. Castator	MLEO
J. Legget	EDCO

ABSENT:

C. Patterson	Mayor
G. Watson	Councillor
T. Nicholson	Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Anderson called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Municipal Right of Way off 2nd Lane – 2009
- b) Sign By-Law (reviewed)– March 12, 2009
- c) Business Licensing – Schedule ‘A20a’ (broaden mixed uses)– 15 April 2009
- d) N. Vidinovski - Parking Lot Agreement for 10 Main Street for 2010 Tax Year – 18 August 2011
- e) Pool By-Law Review – 13 Oct. 2011 & 8 Dec. 2011
- f) Encroachment Policy – 2012

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Municipal Law Enforcement

a) **Monthly Report – December 2012**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-01

RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee does hereby receive the December 2012 Municipal Law Enforcement Department's Report, for information.

CARRIED

b) **Municipal Law Enforcement Accounts – December 2012**

No comments.

Economic Development and Communications

a) **Monthly Report – December 2012**

Deputy Mayor Foster requested that the EDCO include in her monthly report an update on the status of the Casino. Councillor Anderson agreed and Ms. Legget acknowledged the request and said that an update will be provided on future reports. Councillor Wells questioned the appropriateness of the Business Park and future potential of any sort of business/industrial use locating there, especially now with new highway diverting traffic away from the entrance off old Highway 26. In his view accessibility is limited; the Town should be looking to go back to the developer and have a discussion about converting the lands to residential uses. The deal to develop the business park was made almost 20 years ago and perhaps should be revisited. The developer controls the property except for one chunk the Town owns. Councillor Wells feels it is time to reassess the lands for future use. Councillor Anderson also had same concerns. Councillor Bercovitch inquired where the next Zancor Homes development is proposed to take place and the CAO advised that the residential development is south-east of the business park site, south of Green Pine Crescent. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS
SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-02

RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee does hereby receive the December 2012 Economic Development and Corporate Communication Officer's Report, for information.

CARRIED

- b) **Economic Development & Communications Accounts – December 2012**
No comments.

Administration

- a) **Report from the Deputy Clerk / Cemetery Custodian on 2013/2014 Fees for Private Two Niche Columbaria**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-03

RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee recommend to Council that it approve the 2013/2014 fee schedule for Private Two Niche Columbaria:

Columbaria	\$2,990.00	(includes 15% Care & Maintenance of \$390.00 * government regulated fee *)
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Inscriptions	\$ 665.00	(2 inscriptions/niche plate)
Additional inscriptions –	\$ 560.00	each

Foundation	\$ 460.00
Open / Close	\$ 130.00 each
Plus	HST

CARRIED

- b) **Report from the Treasurer with respect to 2012 Preliminary Fourth Quarter Financial Forecast Report**

Councillor Anderson questioned the Fire Department reserves and the negative balance. The Treasurer provided a response noting the funds to pay for the new Fire Station were not raised through taxes, but are development charge related. The cost of the new Fire Station was included in the 2010 Development Charge study and the Town is collecting revenue from DC's based on a full build out by 2031. Councillor Anderson also queried the tax stabilization and working fund reserves whether they would reach a negative balance as well and the Treasurer confirmed those funds would not be in a negative situation. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS
SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-04

RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it receive the 2012 Preliminary fourth Quarter Financial Forecast Report for information; and,

FURTHER THAT the General Government Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it approve the additional transfers from development charges for the Fire Hall included herein; and,

FURTHER THAT the General Government Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it approve the transfers from the Working Funds and Capital Replacement Reserves for the recent Property Purchases; and,

FURTHER THAT the General Government Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it approve the additional transfer from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve for the 68th, 69th, 70th, Shore Lane Improvements.

CARRIED

c) **Report from the Treasurer with respect to 2012 Allocation of Additional Dividend and Interest Payment from Wasaga Distribution**

Councillor Anderson noted he would prefer that the funds not be used to offset capital costs and preferred the entire surplus be put in reserves. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS
SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-05

RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it approve the allocation of the additional dividend and interest payments received on the Notes payable from Wasaga Distribution as outlined in the report from the Treasurer dated January 17th, 2013.

CARRIED

d) **Report from the CAO with respect to Town Office Christmas Closure 2013**

The Chief Administrative Officer spoke briefly to his Report. It was noted that as the municipality grows it may not be feasible in the future to have the office closed during the period between Christmas and New Year's. It was then;

MOVED BY D. FOSTER
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-06

RESOLVED THAT the General Government Committee does hereby recommend to Council that the Municipal Office be closed for three (3) days during the 2013 Christmas and New Year's holiday period, reopening on Thursday, January 2nd, with staff required to take two and a half vacation days, 20 hours of banked overtime or two and a half leave days during the period.

CARRIED

e) **Council and Administration Accounts – December 1 – 31, 2012**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01-07

RESOLVED THAT the December 2012 Accounts as reviewed by General Government Committee, are hereby confirmed.

CARRIED

6. OTHER AGENCY REPORTS - None

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – February 21, 2013

8. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Anderson adjourned the meeting at 2:45 p.m.