

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WASAGA BEACH

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
TOWN COUNCIL**

**Held Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers**

PRESENT:

B. Smith	Mayor
N. Bifulchi	Deputy Mayor
R. Anderson	Councillor
S. Bray	Councillor
R. Ego	Councillor
B. Smith	Councillor
S. Stockwell	Councillor
G. Vadeboncoeur	CAO
T. Nicholson	Clerk
L. Borland	Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

P. Archdekin	Deputy Clerk
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Bray declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to Cheque #017274 on the January 14, 2015 General Government Report as it was a Façade Improvement Grant for 2014 for her business.

Councillor Stockwell declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to the January 15, 2015 Development Services Committee Item 5(i) Parkbridge Communities

Councillor Smith declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to the January 14, 2015 General Government Report regarding Special Events Wasaga Beach Blues.

Deputy Mayor Bifulchi declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to the January 15, 2015 Community Services Accounts cheque #15466 as it pertains to a family member; but will be voting on all other matters.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED BY R. EGO

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-01

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, are hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. **DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS** – None
5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None
6. **CORRESPONDENCE – Received for Information** – None

CORRESPONDENCE – Requiring Action

a) Crime Stoppers Month – January 2015

MOVED BY S. BRAY

SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-02

WHEREAS, CRIME STOPPERS, of Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka was established and became incorporated as a non-profit charitable organization in 1987. The program is operated by a volunteer Board of Directors, who oversees all phases of the program;

AND WHEREAS, CRIME STOPPERS is not a Police program nor funded by the provincial or federal government or from police agencies. The program is operated solely with monies generously donated from the private sector, businesses or raised through fundraising efforts of the volunteer Board of Directors and committee volunteers;

AND WHEREAS, CRIME STOPPERS is a program that benefits everyone in the community and in 2005 Crime Stoppers International was recognized by the United Nations as a global force in the fight against crime and terrorism;

AND WHEREAS, CRIME STOPPERS mandate is to assist the Police in solving crimes thereby making our communities and schools safer. Through the media, the public is encouraged to call a Canada wide toll free number with any information about a crime that has occurred or is about to occur. If the information provided solves or prevents a crime, the anonymous caller is eligible for a cash reward.

AND WHEREAS, anonymous calls to Crime Stoppers of Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka have assisted the Police and other investigative agencies in making 3,994 arrests, recovering stolen property valued at over \$11 million and seizing over \$57 million in illegal drugs;

WHEREAS Council does hereby proclaim the month of January 2015 as “CRIME STOPPERS MONTH” in the Town of Wasaga Beach; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all citizens are asked to observe January 2015 as Crime Stoppers Month in the community and encourage your help in calling the provincial-wide toll free number if you have any information that would solve or prevent a crime.

CARRIED

b) Probus Month – March 2015

MOVED BY B. SMITH
 SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-03

WHEREAS PROBUS is a local, national and international association of retired people, who come together in non-political, non-sectarian, non-profit, autonomous clubs which provide regular opportunities for members to meet others in similar circumstances and similar levels of interest, make new friends and maintain and expand their interests;

AND WHEREAS members join together in clubs, the basic purpose of which is to provide regular opportunities to keep their minds active, expand their interests and enjoy the fellowship of new friends. The basic purpose of a PROBUS club is to provide regular gatherings for members who, in their retirement appreciate and value opportunities to meet others in similar circumstances and similar levels of interest;

AND WHEREAS at the moment there are over 4,000 clubs world-wide with over 32,000 members. In Wasaga Beach there are five clubs with approximately 700 members;

AND WHEREAS in 2014 PROBUS Canada approved the idea of creating a National PROBUS Month in order to celebrate PROBUS, enrich its meaning amongst members and enhance its visibility community wide;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby proclaim March 2015 as PROBUS Month in the Town of Wasaga Beach.

CARRIED

c) Snowman Mania 10th Anniversary - Family Day Weekend

MOVED BY S. BRAY
 SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-04

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby proclaim Family Day Weekend, February 13 – 16, 2015 as the 10th Anniversary of Snowman Mania in the Town of Wasaga Beach.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE – To be Referred - None

7. COMMITTEE & OTHER BOARDS REPORTS**a) Committee of the Whole Report – December 8, 2014**

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting. Councillor Stockwell commented that the Procedural By-Law has been discussed at the Committee level and it might be best to refer the meeting schedule back to Committee for discussion. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-05

RESOLVED THAT Council refer the meeting schedule to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion.

CARRIED

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-06

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated December 8, 2014, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

b) Committee of the Whole Report – December 9, 2014

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting; it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-07

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated December 9, 2014, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

c) Community Services Committee Report – December 16, 2014

Councillor Ego spoke to the highlights of the meeting; it was then;

MOVED BY S. BRAY
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-08

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Community Services Committee Report, dated December 16, 2014, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

d) Committee of the Whole Report – December 16, 2014

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-09

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated December 16, 2014, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

e) Development Services Committee Report – December 17, 2014

Deputy Mayor Bifulchi spoke to the highlights of the meeting; it was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-10

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Development Services Committee Report dated December 17, 2014, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

f) General Government Committee Report – December 18, 2014

Councillor Anderson spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL

SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-11

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the General Government Committee Report dated December 18 2014, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

g) Committee of the Whole Report – January 13, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH

SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-12

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated January 13, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

h) Public Works Committee Report – January 14, 2015

Councillor Stockwell spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-13

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Public Works Committee Report, dated January 14, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

i) General Government Committee Report – January 14, 2015

Councillor Anderson spoke to the highlights of the meeting.

Councillor Smith advised that it was not noted in the January 14/15 General Government Report that she had declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect regarding Special Events Wasaga Beach Blues. She advised she will vote on all other matters except for this.

Councillor Bray noted a clarification in the minutes regarding the Farmer's Market regarding the Blanket Insurance required for each vendor because membership in the Farmer's Market of Ontario would provide \$5million coverage for each vendor; also that the website was listed is: www.facebook.com/wasagabeachfarmersmarket. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-14

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the General Government Committee Report, dated January 14, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

j) Community Services Committee Report – January 15, 2015

Councillor Ego spoke to the highlights of the meeting; it was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-15

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Community Services Committee Report, dated January 15, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

k) Development Services Committee Report – January 15, 2015

Deputy Mayor Nina Bifulchi spoke to the highlights of the meeting.

Councillor Stockwell noted his Pecuniary Interest with respect to the January 15, 2015 Development Services Committee Item 5(i) Parkbridge Communities as he and his wife are residents of Parkbridge. Councillor Stockwell confirmed with the CAO that he will declare an interest in this respect, but vote on all other matters. The CAO advised that he is not required to leave the meeting.

Councillor Smith made a point of order to Mr. Vadeboncoeur noting that she also lives in Parkbridge and questioned is she should also declare a conflict of interest. Clerk, informed Councillor Smith that when it comes to conflicts of interest, members need to satisfy themselves if they have a conflict and seek legal advice, if necessary, as staff cannot make the decision or advise on these matters.

Mayor Smith noted that if Councillor Smith was in doubt then perhaps she should declare a pecuniary interest.

Councillor Smith declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to the January 15, 2015 Development Services Item 5 Parkbridge Communities.

Councillor Stockwell noted that he had been the seconder to this resolution and questioned if he should have another member second instead; Councillor Anderson advised he would second the resolution. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-16

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Development Services Committee Report, dated January 15, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

l) Committee of the Whole Report – January 19, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-17

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated January 19, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

m) Committee of the Whole Report – January 20, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting.

Councillor Stockwell wished to discuss the amount of settlement being recommended for the firefighters. Mr. Vadeboncoeur acknowledged the issue and noted it is now a matter of public record. Councillor Stockwell commented that negotiations have been ongoing for some time (2013-2014) and they have finally reached a settlement at the table and recommended it to Council for approval that for those years the firefighters would receive an increase in salary totaling 7.1% , and when considering other union staff for the same time would receive 3% and non-union staff receive 1.5%. Councillor Stockwell advised he has trouble with this because 7.1% is quite high and beyond his belief of fair. Councillor Stockwell used his Government CPP (Canada Pension Plan) situation as an example in these matters. Councillor Stockwell noted it would be difficult to explain why one group of employees is paid higher than another and it would be wise to refer the matter back to Committee for consideration. Councillor Stockwell commented that the position on this put forward by the Committee was a legitimate one (if settlement is not accepted there may be arbitration) as the firefighters would win and the municipality would most likely lose; it is also a pricey process. Councillor Stockwell noted that at this stage the increase would put Council in a position where they are not taken seriously. At this time Mayor Smith referred to the Clerk for proper procedure. Mrs. Nicholson advised Council of the proper motion.

Councillor Smith clarified with the CAO that negotiations are still ongoing. Councillor Anderson commented that he is in agreement with Councillor Stockwell in this matter being unfair. Mayor Smith noted that he is concerned with the effect this could have on the taxpayer's dollar and it could be an expensive procedure to go through arbitration. Councillor Stockwell advised Council that during further discussions it would be helpful to staff to recommend that two members of Council sit at the negotiation table as part of Committee and referred this to the CAO for consideration. Mr. Vadeboncoeur advised that he will look at this for a later date during a strategy session. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-18

RESOLVED THAT Council refer the January 20/15 Committee of the Whole Report Closed Session item regarding the Firefighter Settlement to the next available Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion.

CARRIED

Councillor Stockwell also requested that the non-union wages matter also be referred back to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion.

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-19

RESOLVED THAT Council refer the January 20/15 Committee of the Whole Report Closed Session item regarding the non-union wages increase to the next available Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion

CARRIED

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-20

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated January 20, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein, as amended.

CARRIED

n) Committee of the Whole Report – January 21, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-21

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated January 21, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

o) Committee of the Whole Report – January 22, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting; it was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-22

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated January 22, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

p) Committee of the Whole Report – January 23, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-23

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report, dated January 23, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

q) Accounts – November 1 – 30, 2014

Councillor Anderson noted that all accounts have been approved at the individual Standing Committees. It was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-24

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby approve the November 2014 Accounts in the amount of \$2,467,605.70.

CARRIED

r) Accounts – December 1 – 31, 2014

Councillor Anderson noted that all accounts have been approved at the individual Standing Committees. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-25

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby approve the December 2014 Accounts in the amount of \$7,117,534.14.

CARRIED

8. NOTICES OF MOTION – None

9. MOTIONS – WHERE NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN - None

10. BY-LAWS AND CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

- a) A By-Law to Authorize the Borrowing of Monies to Meet the Current Expenditures for the Town of Wasaga Beach for 2015**

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-26

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Authorize the Borrowing of Monies to Meet the Current Expenditures for the Town of Wasaga Beach for 2015, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-01.

CARRIED

- b) A By-Law to Authorize an Interim Tax Levy for 2015**

MOVED BY S. BRAY
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-27

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Authorize an Interim Tax Levy for 2015, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-02.

CARRIED

- c) A By-Law to Authorize Execution of a Letter of Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Ontario, Represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario and the Town of Wasaga Beach for Funding provided under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for the Public Transportation Program.**

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-28

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Authorize Execution of a Letter of Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Ontario, Represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario and the Town of Wasaga Beach for Funding provided under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for the Public Transportation Program, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-03.

CARRIED

d) A By-Law to Govern the Proceedings of Meetings of Town Council and its Appointed Committees

MOVED BY B. SMITH
 SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-29

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Govern the Proceedings of Meetings of Town Council and its Appointed Committees, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-04.

CARRIED

e) A By-Law to Authorize Execution of a Memorandum of Settlement Between the Wasaga Beach Professional Firefighters Association and the Town of Wasaga Beach

Dealt with earlier on the Agenda

REFERRED

f) Confirmatory By-Law

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
 SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01-30

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Town of Wasaga Beach at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, January 27, 2015 be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-06.

CARRIED

11. CALLING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Public Works	February 11, 2015 @ 8:30 a.m.
General Government	February 11, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m.
Development Committee	February 12, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m.
Community Services Committee	February 12, 2015 @ 8:30 a.m.

12. QUESTION PERIOD

“A fifteen (15) minute session wherein persons in attendance at the Regular Meeting of Council have an opportunity to raise questions pertaining to items that were dealt with by Council on the evening’s Agenda.”

Mr. Sean Crozier of 26 Parkwood Drive approached the microphone and addressed Council. Mr. Crozier advised he attended the presentation by Mr. Calvin Tan and asked if any of those proposals will be brought forward by the Town. Mayor Smith commented that Council and staff will be discussing many future events in Wasaga Beach.

A resident of 53 Bush Crescent approached the microphone and addressed Council. The gentlemen commented on Sledfest and made notice in the paper that promoters thought the event was a success but questioned if the Town or staff received any complaints or damages due to the event. Mayor Smith referred this question to the Clerk and CAO. The CAO noted, on behalf of the Special Events Coordinator, that there was some damage done to the Park entrance gates that needs to be repaired by the event organizers in conjunction with the Park. A complaint was also received about the environmental impact the emissions from snowmobiles had; this has been deferred to the Special Events Coordinator who would have addressed it directly.

Luke Colburn of 259 River Road East approached the microphone and addressed Council. Mr. Colburn asked Council if there was a way to offset the 7.1% for firefighters from a job description point of view as this comes out of Wasaga Beach residents pockets. Mr. Colburn also commented on the necessity of firefighters and certain types of calls. Mr. Colburn commented on looking at increasing what the firefighters are doing to warrant it providing examples of more cross-training or continuing education, providing First Aid/CPR training seminars, etc. Mr. Colburn also commented in regards to the Farmer's Market noting that the firefighters could produce more in terms of the community garden and then put this back towards the community. Mr. Coburn asked Council if these would be realistic ideas. Mayor Smith responded to Mr. Coburn in regards to the fire calls noting there is an agreed response with the County that mandates attendance to these calls. In regards to the comment regarding training, Mayor Smith informed Mr. Coburn that the firefighters can't venture outside of their regular required training due to the collective bargaining. Mayor Smith did note that the firefighters are constantly giving back and getting involved in the community.

Mayor Smith asked if there were any further questions from the public and there were none.

The CAO noted the Committee of the Whole meeting Tuesday February 3rd at 4:00 p.m. in the Classroom, that it would be a continuation of budget discussions. The CAO then noted that on February 10th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. that the Committee of the Whole meeting would be a meeting for input from the public and could be broadcasted by Rogers and that attention would need to be drawn to this.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

The Minutes of this Meeting were adopted the 17th day of February, 2015.

Brian Smith, Mayor

Twyla Nicholson, Clerk