COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

REPORT

Meeting held Thursday October 15, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.
In the Classroom, Town Hall

PRESENT:

B. Smith  Mayor
R. Ego  Councillor/Chair
S. Bray  Councillor
B. Smith  Councillor
B. Stockwell  Councillor
P. Archdekin  Deputy Clerk
M. McWilliam  Fire Chief
G. Reinders  Manager of Parks, Facilities and Recreation
D. Vincent  Sr. MLEO
K. Hunter  Huronia West OPP
K. Wagner  Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

G. Vadeboncoeur  CAO
J. Fisher  Ministry of Natural Resources

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Ego called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

a) Mr. Smardenka with respect to the Moratorium on Taxi Licenses.

Councillor Ego welcomed Mr. Smardenka to the table. Mr. Smardenka indicated that he has been a business owner in Wasaga Beach for over eight years. He then expressed his concerns with the moratorium on taxi licenses and pointed out that on several occasions patrons leaving his establishment were unable to get a taxi or waiting up to forty-five minutes for one to arrive. This is a real public safety concern especially for patrons that could potentially drive under the influence of alcohol. Mr. Smardenka requested that this issue be addressed as soon as possible. It was noted that Mr. Smardenka should inquire with other businesses in Town that may have similar issues on this matter. Councillor Ego thanked Mr. Smardenka. Mr. Smardenka left the meeting. Considerable discussion ensued. Mr. Vincent provided clarification with respect to the number of taxis in Wasaga Beach. He indicated that Wasaga Taxi is operating with five taxis and Kyle’s Taxi also has five dedicated to Wasaga Beach with three additional taxis under a dual license to operate from either Wasaga Beach or Collingwood. Mayor Smith pointed out he has also received complaints from residents who have not been able to get a cab within a reasonable time frame and that this is unacceptable. Mr. Vincent advised the Committee of an upcoming open house to gather information, and recommendations from both the public and business/institutional sectors regarding the moratorium on taxi licenses. It was determined that the date for this open house will be held on Monday October 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Committee agreed to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday October 27, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. for further discussion on this topic.
4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a) **Sign By-Law (reviewed) – March 12, 2009**

Councillor Smith inquired on the timing for this report. Mr. Vincent provided clarification.

5. **OTHER AGENCY REPORTS**

**OPP**

a) **OPP Report**

Inspector Hunter reviewed the calls for service for the month of September. He then described details to an incident involving medical marijuana grow operations. Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments. Inspector Hunter addressed several inquiries and provided clarification. He provided background information with respect to the reduced number of the summer complement of officers this year. Mayor Smith spoke about investigating the option to enter into a contract with the O.P.P. A brief discussion took place.

b) **2016 OPP Policing Budget**

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments relating to the 2016 OPP Policing Budget and there were none. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY S. BRAY
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-01

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it forward the Wasaga Beach portion of the OPP Huronia West Detachment Budget to Committee of the Whole as Budget Committee for inclusion in the 2016 budget.

CARRIED

c) **Community Policing Minutes – August 2015**

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments relating to the Community Policing Minutes and there were none. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY S. BRAY
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-02

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby receive the August 2015 Community Policing Minutes, for information.

CARRIED

d) **Policing Accounts – September 2015** - no comments

**MNR**

Mr. Fisher was not in attendance
Library

a) Minutes of the Library Board Meeting – August 2015

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments relating to the Library Board Minutes and there were none. It was then;

MOVED BY S. BRAY
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL  RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-03

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby receive the August 2015 Library Board Minutes, for information.

CARRIED

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

a) Chamber of Commerce Report – September 2015

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments relating to the Chamber of Commerce Report. Councillor Smith inquired on a break down regarding where the visitors are coming from and if they are coming to Wasaga Beach for a special event.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Department

a) Fire Department Report – October 2015

Fire Chief McWilliam reviewed the calls for service for the month of September. He then highlighted the Fire Prevention Week programs which took place at the elementary schools in Town. Fire Chief McWilliam mentioned the controlled burn that was conducted on Morgan Road last month was very successful. In response to an inquiry Fire Chief McWilliam provided clarification with respect to the barns on the Morgan Road property and will follow up with the developer. Councillor Ego asked if there were any further questions or comments and there were none. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY S. BRAY  RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-04

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby receive the October 2015 Fire Department Report, for information.

CARRIED

b) Fire Department Accounts – September 2015 - no comments

Municipal Law Enforcement

a) Municipal Law Enforcement Report

Mr. Vincent reviewed his report noting that September was a busy month. Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments. Mr. Vincent addressed several inquiries and provided clarification.
He pointed out that the forty-four business licenses issued in September were mainly renewals and not new businesses. Councillor Bray asked if they could be reported separately. Considerable discussion took place with respect to the Moratorium on Taxi Licenses. In response to an inquiry Mr. Vincent pointed out the Accessible Taxi Cab Licensing will now be incorporated in the overall Taxi Cab/ Limo review process to be included in the November 12, 2015 Staff Report to Committee. It was then;

MOVED BY S. BRAY  
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-05

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby recommend to Council that the Municipal Law Enforcement Department's September 2015 monthly activity report be received, for information.  
CARRIED

b) Controlled Deer Hunt 26 Ryther Road

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments. Councillor Smith expressed her concerns with the location of the controlled deer hunt as it can be heard near the area of the Park Place Adult Community which is also on Ryther Road. Mayor Smith spoke with respect to the deer hunt and future development in that area. He pointed out that he will support the request this year but not in the future. Councillor Smith also indicated that she will not support this request after this year. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL  
SECONDED BY S. BRAY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-06

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it permit an exemption to the Firearms Control By-law 99-20 to permit Paul and Marcia Ryther to hold a controlled deer hunt for five days in November on their 100 acre farm located at 26 Ryther Road, subject to the conditions contained in the Senior Municipal Law Enforcement Officer's report dated October 15, 2015.

CARRIED

c) Municipal Law Enforcement Accounts – September 2015 - no comments

Parks, Facilities and Recreation

a) Parks, Facilities and Recreation Report

Mr. Reinders reviewed his report and highlighted the success of the recent Maple Leaf Day planting at the Sports Park and the TD Family Tree Planting Day. He then advised the Committee of the agenda for the upcoming dedication ceremony of Peacekeepers Park and Veterans Way. A brief discussion took place with respect to the dedication ceremony. Councillor Ego asked if there were any further questions or comments and there were none. It was then;
MOVED BY S. BRAY  
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-07

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby receive the Parks, Facilities and Recreation monthly activity report as information.

CARRIED

b) Adult Recreation Needs Survey Results

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments. A brief discussion took place with respect to the results of the survey. It was then;

MOVED BY S. BRAY  
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-08

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby receive the 2015 Adult Recreation Needs Survey Results as information only.

CARRIED

c) Youth Strategy Study Recommendation

Councillor Ego asked if there were any questions or comments. In response to an inquiry Ms. Brook provided further information on the advantages to utilize a consultant firm. Mr. Reinders confirmed this cost is included in the 2016 Parks Facilities and Recreation budget. A brief discussion took place. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL  
SECONDED BY B. SMITH  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-09

RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee does hereby recommend to Committee of the Whole, as budget committee, to consider hiring a consulting firm to develop a Youth Strategy for the Town of Wasaga Beach at an approximate cost of $18,000.

CARRIED

d) Collingwood Stage Request Recommendation

Mr. Reinders provided a verbal report to Committee. He pointed out that the Town of Collingwood has requested the use of our portable stage during the Christmas season and indicated that they will be responsible for staffing costs associated with the setup of the portable stage. Discussion ensued. Committee agreed to a written recommendation for this request. It was then;

MOVED BY S. BRAY  
SECONDED BY B. F. SMITH  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-10

RESOLVED THAT Community Services Committee does approve the use of the portable stage by the Town of Collingwood during the Christmas season (2015) and that the Town of Collingwood be responsible for staff costs and include the value of the replacement cost of the stage on their insurance rider.

CARRIED
Accounts

a) Departmental Accounts – September 2015

Councillor Ego asked if Committee members had any questions related to the Departmental Accounts. Mr. Reinders provided clarification with respect to a capital item to install a new HVAC system for the hall expansion at the Sports Park. It was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-11

RESOLVED THAT the OPP, Fire, Municipal Law Enforcement, Parks, Facilities and Recreation departmental accounts for the month of September 2015, as reviewed by the Community Services Committee, are hereby confirmed.

CARRIED

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the Classroom.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Ego adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.