

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WASAGA BEACH

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

**Held Tuesday, December 22, 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
B. Stockwell	Councillor
G. Vadeboncoeur	CAO
H. Bryce	Clerk
P. Archdekin	Deputy Clerk
M. Quinlan	Treasurer
J. Legget	Communications Officer
A. McNeill	Director of Economic Development & Tourism
B. Vickers	Chief Building Official
M. McWilliam	Fire Chief

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Mayor Smith advised that he wished to send out a very special birthday greeting to Mr. Ernest Osborne who turned 100 years old on December 18th. Mr. Osborne was a respected business owner, president of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the first Council of the Village of Wasaga Beach in 1949. Mr. Osborne currently resides in Hollywood Florida for the winter.

On behalf of Council Mayor Smith wished Mr. Osborne a very Merry Christmas, happy and healthy New Year and a very Happy Birthday.

Mayor Smith further acknowledged the CAO's 40 something birthday.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Bifulchi declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to Public Works Accounts – cheque 18789; Development Committee item 5bi, B18/15 and B19/15 as they pertain to a family member, but will vote on all other matters.

Councillor Bray declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to Resolution 2015-35-04 and By-Law 10c with respect to facility rental fees for community organizations as she is a member of the Rotary Club as well as cheque #18630 as it relates to a family business. She will vote on all other matters.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a) Regular Minutes of Council – November 24, 2015
- b) Special Minutes of Council – December 1, 2015
- c) Special Minutes of Council – December 15, 2015

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
 SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-01

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Tuesday, November 24, 2015, the Special Meeting of Council held December 1, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. and a Special Meeting of Council Public Meeting held December 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.; are hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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

- a) **Correspondence from Ombudsman Ontario providing information about the expansion of the Ombudsman’s jurisdiction to Municipalities**

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
 SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-02

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby receive the correspondence from the Ombudsman Ontario with respect to providing information about the expansion of the Ombudsman’s jurisdictions to Municipalities, for information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE – Requiring Action

- a) **Crime Stoppers Month – January 2016**

MOVED BY R. EGO
 SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-03

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 and is not funded by the provincial or federal government or police agencies. The program is operated solely with monies generously donated by the private sector, businesses or raised through fundraising efforts of the volunteer Board of Directors and committee members; 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, therefore making our communities and schools safer. Through the media, the public is encouraged to call a province-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;

NOW THEREFORE, the Town of Wasaga Beach does hereby proclaim the month of January 2016 as **“CRIME STOPPERS MONTH”** in the Town of Wasaga Beach; and,

FURTHER THAT all citizens be called upon to observe January 2016 as CRIME STOPPERS MONTH in the community and are encouraged to call the province-wide toll free number 1-800-222-8477 if you have any information that could solve or prevent a crime.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE – Referred

a) Wasagabares

Councillor Ego inquired about the referral of the matter to the Tourism and Events Advisory Committee to which the CAO responded that the correspondence highlighted the potential increase in tourism by designating a clothing optional beach. It was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-04

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby receive and refer the correspondence from Wasagabares to the Tourism & Events Advisory Committee for review and recommendation to Council.

CARRIED

7. COMMITTEE, BOARDS & STAFF REPORTS

a) Committee of the Whole Report – November 23, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights contained within the report.

The Deputy Mayor noted that in respect of time, she will not be pulling individual items, but noted her position and comments on the matters within the nine different meetings has not changed, nor has how she voted changed. It was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL

SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-05

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

CARRIED

b) Committee of the Whole Report – November 24, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-06

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated November 24, 2015 as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

c) Committee of the Whole Report – December 1, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-07

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated December 1, 2015 as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

d) Committee of the Whole – December 8, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-08

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated December 8, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

e) Public Works Committee – December 9, 2015

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

MOVED BY S. BRAY
SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-09

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Public Works Committee Report dated December 9, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

f) General Government Committee – December 9, 2015

Councillor Anderson spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY S. BRAY
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-10

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the General Government Committee Report dated December 9, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

g) Community Services Committee – December 10, 2015

Councillor Ego spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-11

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Community Services Committee Report dated December 10, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

h) Development Services Committee – December 10, 2015

The Deputy Mayor noted her previously declared conflict, noting she will speak to the highlights and then remove herself from the table. It was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-12

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Development Services Committee Report dated December 10, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Bifulchi returned to her place at the table.

i) Committee of the Whole – December 15, 2015

Mayor Smith spoke to the highlights and it was then;

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-13

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated December 15, 2015, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

j) Appointment to High School Task Force

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
 SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-14

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby appoint the following person to the:

High School Task Force

- Trent Gow

CARRIED

k) Accounts – November 2015

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
 SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-15

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby approve the November 2015 Accounts in the amount of \$3,946,048.90.

CARRIED

8. NOTICES OF MOTION**9. MOTIONS – WHERE NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN - None****10. BY-LAWS AND CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

- a) **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 R. EGO
 SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-16

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. 2015-98.

CARRIED

- b) **A By-Law to Govern the Proceedings of Meetings of Town Council and its appointed committees**

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
 SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-17

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. 2015-99.

CARRIED

c) A By-Law to Adopt a Policy for the Indoor Facility Rental Fees for Community Organizations

Councillor Bray's pecuniary interest was noted and she withdrew from the table.

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-18

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Adopt a Policy for the Indoor Facility Rental Fees for Community Organizations, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-100.

CARRIED

Councillor Bray returned to her place at the table.

d) A By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement between National Recovery Management Inc. and the Town of Wasaga Beach

MOVED BY R. EGO
SECONDED BY B. SMITH

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-19

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Authorize Execution of an Agreement between National Recovery Management Inc. and the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-101.

CARRIED

e) A By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement between CA Sellers Cleaning Services Ltd. and the Town of Wasaga Beach

MOVED BY B. STOCKWELL
SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-20

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Authorize the Execution of an Agreement between CA Sellers Cleaning Services Ltd. and the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-102.

CARRIED

f) A By-Law to Adopt an Amendment to the Town of Wasaga Beach Official Plan (#40 Susan Ellscheid – Dowlwood Dr.)

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-21

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Adopt an Amendment to the Town of Wasaga Beach Official Plan, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2015-103.

CARRIED

g) A By-Law to Amend Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, as Amended (Susan Ellscheid – Dowlwood Dr.)

MOVED BY S. BRAY
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-22

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Adopt an Amendment to the Town of Wasaga Beach Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2003-60, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered 2015-104.

CARRIED

h) A By-Law to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach and Dr. Blake Abawi for a Medical Practice

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-23

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach and Dr. Blake Abawi for a Medical Practice, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-106.

CARRIED

i) A By-Law to Establish Fees and Charges to be Collected by the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach

MOVED BY B. SMITH
SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-24

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Establish Fees and Charges to be Collected by the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-107.

CARRIED

j) A By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of all Sums Required for all Municipal Purposes during the Year 2016 (2016 Operating & Capital Budget)

Councillor Anderson advised that he cannot support a 4.5% increase (inclusive of tax rate and assessment increase) for the taxpayers and has prepared a motion to recommend a 0% increase.

Councillor Stockwell spoke to Council's original position of a zero tax increase prior to the staff recommendation at Committee to proposed increase of 1.5% in order to put funds away for the future and to minimize future tax increases.

Deputy Mayor Bifolchi noted she has never supported a zero budget as she believes there is a need to build reserves for the future.

Clarification was provided by the Treasurer on the purpose of reserves as well as the how the debentures for the purchase of the beachfront properties and previous properties were financed.

Councillor Bray noted a zero budget does not work in long term and we are transferring less from the OMPF grants, which she believes is short sighted. Using reserves to balance a budget is not the right way and as such, she does not support a zero percent budget.

Councillor Anderson spoke to use of reserves for the Fire Hall to which the CAO noted that the new Fire Hall was a development charge project which put the Fire Hall reserves in a negative position. Development charges realized from the homes built over the next 30 years will return the reserve into a positive position and build it up for the next major capital project

Mayor Smith noted that this Council has not done anything different from what previous Councils have done when using reserves and by borrowing from them.

A recorded vote was requested. It was then;

MOVED BY R. ANDERSON

SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-26

RESOLVED THAT item 10. J) being a By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of all Sums Required for Municipal Purposes during the Year 2016 (2016 Operating & Capital Budget), schedule ``A`` be amended to reflect a 0% tax increase for the 2016 budget year.

Councillor Anderson	Yea	
Deputy Mayor Bifulchi		Nay
Councillor Bray		Nay
Councillor Ego	Yea	
Councillor Smith		Nay
Mayor Smith		Nay
Councillor Stockwell	Yea	

DEFEATED

Councillor Smith requested an amendment to the motion that the funds collected through the 1.5% increase be allocated to the Corporate Initiatives Funds to be used to fund Council initiatives that come up during the year instead placing the funds in reserves.

A discussion ensued with respect to where the 1.5% funds should be deposited and how it would affect the OMPF grant funds transfer.

Mayor Smith noted that the \$280,000 generated from the 1.5% increase can be put into the Corporate Initiatives Fund and if something comes up during the year we can use it; if at the end of the year it is not used it can be transferred to reserves. A recorded vote was requested and it was then;

MOVED BY B. SMITH
 SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-25

RESOLVED THAT item 10.J) being a By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of all Sums Required for Municipal Purposes during the Year 2016 (2016 Operating & Capital Budget), schedule “A” be amended to allocate the revenue generated from the 1.5% tax rate increase to the Council – Corporate Initiatives Account to fund Council priorities within the 2016 budget year.

Councillor Anderson		Nay
Deputy Mayor Bifulchi		Nay
Councillor Bray		Nay
Councillor Ego	Yea	
Councillor Smith	Yea	
Mayor Smith	Yea	
Councillor Stockwell	Yea	

CARRIED

MOVED BY R. EGO
 SECONDED BY S. BRAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-27

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of all Sums Required for all Municipal Purposes during the Year 2016, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-107, as amended.

Councillor Anderson		Nay
Deputy Mayor Bifulchi		Nay
Councillor Bray		Nay
Councillor Ego	Yea	
Councillor Smith	Yea	
Mayor Smith	Yea	
Councillor Stockwell	Yea	

CARRIED

k) Confirmatory By-Law

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
 SECONDED BY B. STOCKWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-28

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Town of Wasaga Beach at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, December 22, 2015 be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2015-108.

CARRIED

11. CALLING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Coordinated Committee - Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 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.”

Mayor Smith, on behalf of his family and Council wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

13. CLOSED SESSION

- a) Closed Session Minutes – Committee of the Whole Dec. 1, 2015**
- b) Identifiable Individual – Committee member**
- c) Property matter pertaining to the potential disposition of land**

MOVED BY S. BRAY

SECONDED BY R. EGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-29

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 239 of *The Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, the next portion of the December 22, 2015 Council meeting be closed to the public to deal with:

- Procedural matters regarding the adoption of Closed Session Reports from the
 - * Committee of the Whole – December 1, 2015
 - * Council – December 1, 2015

As well as:

- * Identifiable individuals – Committee member
- * Property matter pertaining to the potential disposition of land

CARRIED

Closed Session Resolutions: 2015-16-30
2015-16-31
2015-16-32

The open session resumed at 9:21 p.m.

Mayor Smith rose and reported that the Closed Session Minutes were adopted, discussion was held with respect to an identifiable individual, proposed land acquisition or disposition and the CAO was provided with clear direction.

MOVED BY B. SMITH

SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-33

RESOLVED THAT Council of December 22, 2105 does hereby confirm the direction given to the Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

The Minutes of this Meeting were adopted the 26th day of January 2016.

Brian Smith, Mayor

Holly Bryce, Town Clerk