



The Corporation of The County of Perth

Minutes of the April 18, 2013 Council Meeting

April 18, 2013

Council Present: Councillor Wilhelm
Councillor Forrest
Councillor McMillan
Councillor Behrns
Councillor Aitcheson
Councillor Schneider
Warden Judge
Councillor French
Councillor Ehgoetz
Councillor McKenzie

Staff Present: Bill Arthur, CAO
Linda Rockwood, Director of Emergency Services
Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services, Treasurer
Dave Hanly, Director of Planning & Development
Matt Ash, Director of Public Works
Kerri Ann O'Rourke, Clerk
Pauline Walkom, Administrative Support Clerk/Recording Secretary

Others Present: Karen McLagan, Treasurer, Municipality of West Perth; Rebecca Clothier, Treasurer, Township of Perth South; Fran Hale, Treasurer, Municipality of North Perth and Rhonda Fischer, Treasurer, Township of Perth East

Corey Bridges, Deputy Treasurer, County of Perth

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of Perth County Council with Quorum present was called to order at 9:05 A.M.

2. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

The Regular meeting of Perth County Council commenced with a moment of silent reflection.

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA

2013-93

Moved By: Councillor Wilhelm

Seconded By: Councillor Forrest

THAT Council suspend the rules of order to permit the addition of the following bylaws to the Agenda:

10.1 3357-2013 To establish Tax Ratios for 2013

10.2 3358-2013 To set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Classes for 2013

10.3 3359-2013 To Adopt Optional Tax Tools for 2013

10.4 3360-2013 To establish Property class Tax Rates and County Requisition for 2013; and

THAT the Council Agenda for April 18, 2013 be approved;

Carried

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

No Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest stated.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Perth County Council - April 4, 2013 - Regular Meeting

5.2 Randy Pettapiece, MPP - March 22, 2013 - Letter to Minister of Rural Affairs

2013-94

Moved By: Councillor Schneider

Seconded By: Councillor Aitcheson

THAT the Consent Agenda Items 5.1 to 5.2 be received for information and the minutes of the April 4, 2013 Council Meeting be adopted;

Carried

6. PUBLIC MEETINGS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND DELEGATIONS - NONE

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Planning and Development

7.1.1 Tree Inspection Report

2013-95

Moved By: Councillor McKenzie

Seconded By: Councillor Ehgoetz

THAT Perth County Council receive the Tree Inspection report dated April 4, 2013 for information;

Carried

7.2 Chief Administrative Officer - NO REPORT

7.3 Corporate Services

7.3.1 Tax Policy Recommendations

Renato Pullia, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer made a presentation for tax policies entitled: Tax Policy Considerations: Options and Analysis 2013. The overview was prepared by County and Lower Tier Treasurers.

The presentation included:

- History of Ontario Model of Property Assessment and Tax Reform 1998-2009
- Capping and Tax Parameters
- Tax Ratio Discussion
- Summary/Recommendations

2013-96

Moved By: Councillor Ehgoetz

Seconded By: Councillor Schneider

THAT Perth County adopt the following property tax capping options for the year 2013:

- Increase capping limit to 10% over previous year's annualized capped tax; and
- Increase capping limit to 5% of previous year's annualized CVA tax; and
- Impose a threshold adjustment for increasers for capped properties within \$250 of their CVA tax; and

THAT Perth County not use a clawback for the recovery of capping costs; and

THAT the County implement the allowable 100% minimum tax levy for 2013 for all new construction that becomes eligible during the year in their respective class, as within the meaning of subsection 331(20) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25; and

THAT Perth County adopt both 'Stay at CVA Tax' and 'Cross CVA Tax' options; and

THAT Perth County adopt the same tax ratios for 2013 as those of 2012 for all respective classes;

Carried

7.4 Emergency Services - NO REPORT

7.5 Public Works

7.5.1 Courthouse Heating System Upgrades

2013-97

Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Wilhelm

THAT Perth County Council award contract 03-2013, Upgrades to County Courthouse Heat System, to Ken

Robinson Refrigeration in the amount of \$94,704.17
including HST;

Carried

8. CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

9.1 Warden Meeting Log & Report - NO REPORT

9.2 Council Member Reports

10. BY-LAWS

2013-98

Moved By: Councillor McKenzie

Seconded By: Councillor McMillan

THAT a By-law 3357-2013 to establish Tax Ratios For Prescribed Property Classes for the Year 2013; and

By-law 3358-2013 to Set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Subclasses for the Year 2013; and

By-law 3359-2013 to Adopt Optional Tools for the Purposes of Administering Limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes; and

By-law 3360-2013 to Establish the Property Class Tax Rates and the County Requisition for the Year 2013;

Be read a First, Second and Third time and Finally Passed this 18th day of April, 2013

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk are hereby authorized and instructed to sign the same, and attach the Corporate Seal thereto;

Carried

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

No Notice of Motions were received.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Ice Storm

Matt Ash, Director of Public Works provided a verbal report on damage caused by recent ice storm.

12.2 Plowing Match – Wood Chips

Councillor Rhonda Ehgoetz asked that Public Works wood chips created by the recent ice storm cleanup be offered to IPM 2013 organizers.

12.3 Appraisal Forms

Councillor Jim Aitcheson advised that appraisal forms for Chief Administrative Officer should be returned prior to the Human Resources meeting on May 9th, 2013 by April 30, 2013.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council was reminded of the Special Council meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 7:30 PM at Sebringville Community Centre. The purpose of the meeting is to receive public comments as part of the County Official Plan – 5 Year Review. Formal County Council attire is being suggested.

14. CLOSED SESSION MEETING AND REPORTING OUT - NONE

15. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

2013-99

Moved By: Councillor Forrest

Seconded By: Councillor Schneider

THAT By-law 3357-2013, being a By-law to confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Perth at its regular meeting held on April 18, 2013 be read a first, second and third time;

Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

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Moved By: Councillor Behrns

Seconded By: Councillor Schneider

THAT the meeting adjourn at 10:11 AM;

Carried

Vince Judge, Warden

Kerri Ann O'Rourke Clerk