

MINUTES
NEWBURY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Monday, January 14th, 2019
6:00 p.m.



MEMBERS PRESENT: Reeve Diane Brewer, Councillors, Ron Challis, Mike Noe, Yves Larocque and Russ Patton

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Ralph Watson, Captain Newbury Fire Dept.

STAFF PRESENT: Betty D. Gordon, Clerk-Treasurer

STAFF ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Diane Brewer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

Russ Patton declared a pecuniary interest in item #8.29.4, 8.29.5 and 8.35.

2. DELEGATIONS:

(a) **WATER:**

1. SWM/Newbury water agreement is on-going.
2. Russ Patton replaced 10 service boxes in December, 2018.
3. Blu-Metric will be conducting Newbury's Internal Audit on its DWQMS on Thursday, Jan. 17th, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
4. Tri-County meeting is Tuesday, January 15th.

(b) **SEWER:**

1. CIMA has provided an amended draft contract agreement for the operations of the Newbury Waste Water Treatment Plant which is being reviewed by the County lawyers.
2. Composite sampler needed for the sewer plant.

3. Insurance for operators of the plant.
4. The Clerk provided an update on the repair of the auger and brushes.

(c) **DRAINAGE:**

SWM has sent a notice to the landowners along the Government 5/6 Drain that there has been a request to replace the upstream tile portion of the drain and asked that I circulate this notice to any Newbury landowners abutting the drain in case they want any extra work to be done at that time.

(d) **FIRE:** Ralph Watson, Captain, Newbury Fire Dept.

- Monthly training record
- Two suits, boots, gloves and helmets were ordered and received in Dec.
- 2 fire cheques not cashed yet.
- Legion is asking that the fire dept provide its liability insurance to cook wings at the hall.
- Inventory will be done this month
- There is one person who wants to take CISM training for \$550 in St. Thomas.

Ralph asked Council if they would go in camera to discuss an identifiable person.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council go in camera to discuss can identifiable person.”

Carried

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Mike Noe

“THAT Council rise from the in-camera meeting.”

Carried

(e) **BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT:**

MEU Consulting (Bill Menzie) By-law Enforcement Report. (cc. Council)

(f) **CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

CBO Report provided as per hours submitted. (cc. Council-green)

Council would like to know if the recently placed C Container is temporary or permanent.

3. COUNCIL MINUTES:

Council minutes of the regular Council meeting held on December 10th, 2018.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Yves Larocque

“THAT the minutes from the regular Council meeting held December 11th, be accepted as presented.”

Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. Entegrus was directed to increase Newbury`s water rate effective with the December reads. Notices were circulated to residents and will be posted on Newbury`s Face Book page and website.
2. Two additional companies are going to submit a quote on removing/trimming trees for the Village.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:**INFORMATION ITEM**

1. Municipal World Magazine, Jan. 2019.
2. Reminder from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission that municipalities have until January 22nd, to notify the AGCO Registrar in writing if they want to opt out of permitting cannabis retail stores in their municipality.

Moved By: Yves Larocque

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council **not** opt out of permitting cannabis retail stores in the Village of Newbury.”

Carried

3. Ministry of Finance letter advising that they are undertaking a detailed review of all transfer payments and that they are committed to getting municipalities the details or the 2019 OMPF as soon as possible. (cc. Council– orange)
4. The Government of Ontario has transferred \$5000 to Newbury for the handling of cannabis.
5. LAS advising Newbury that it will receive a cheque for \$71.74 for its portion of the 1.5 million reserve fund surplus received during the 2016-2017 program year.
6. SWM report that recommends that their council`s honorariums be increased by 1/3 effective January 1st, 2019 due to the removal of the 1/3 tax program.

7. Sam McFarlane, Accessibility Co-ordinator for the County of Middlesex has volunteered to train new councillors on accessibility if you want.

6. ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS:

1. By-law 100-19, being a by-law to set interest charged on tax arrears for the year 2018.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT By-law 100-19, being a by-law to set interest charged on tax arrears, be given first and second reading this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

Moved By: Yves Larocque

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT By-law 100-19 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed, sealed and numbered 100-19, this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

2. By-law 101-19, being a by-law to set the interim tax levy for 2019.

Moved By: Yves Larocque

Seconded By: Mike Noe

THAT By-law 101-19, being a by-law to set the interim tax levy for 2019, be given first and second reading this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Russ Patton

“THAT By-law 101-19 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed, sealed and numbered 101-19, this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

3. Royal Canadian Legion, Ontario Command is asking if Council would like to advertise in their Military Service Recognition Book. (cc. Council)

Moved By: Yves Larocque

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT Council donate \$100 to the RCL Ontario Command Military Service Recognition Book.”

Carried

4. By-law 102-19, being a by-law to authorize temporary borrowing.

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT By-law 102-19, being a by-law to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2019, is given first and second reading this 14th day of January, 2019”

Carried

Moved By: Russ Patton

Seconded By: Mike Noe

“THAT By-law 102-19 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed and sealed, and numbered 102-19, this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

5. Gerber Electric will not put up any more skunks until we have engineers specifications.

Council asked the Clerk to contact Bronner’s for further instructions.

7. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** (cc. Council – pink)

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the financial statements be accepted as presented.”

Carried

8. **ACCOUNTS:** (cc. Council - purple)

Moved By: Yves Larocque

Seconded By: Ron Challis

“THAT the accounts that total \$48,167.83 accepted as presented and paid in full.”

Carried

The Clerk provided a draft sewer budget with a few sewer rates to offset the expenses.

9. (a) **NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

There was no new or unfinished business.

9. (b) **OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Each Council member was given the opportunity to bring new business to the table.

The Touro Cloud backup that we have always used does not exist anymore. We have contacted the County IT dept to ask what they have. I understand 6 of the 8 municipalities signed an agreement to use the County IT dept. Newbury and Strathroy Caradoc did not. I will ask what the cost is prior to having them out.

The Clerk confirmed with council what information they wanted on their identification business cards.

Ron asked for the entire C of A for the sewer plant.

It was decided that a conference call should be scheduled between the insurance companies for what is considered adequate insurance for Sco-Terra to operate the plant.

Russ suggested that when a company was hired to cut the tree on Dundas and trim the trees at the park that he also trim a few trees that are encroaching on the sidewalks. Council suggested that Chris Dewitt be called.

2. By-law 103-19, being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury.

Moved By: Ron Challis

Seconded By: Yves Larocque

“THAT By-law 103-19, being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Village of Newbury is given first and second reading this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

Moved By: Mike Noe

Seconded By: Russ Patton

“THAT By-law 103-19 be given third reading, taken as read, properly signed and sealed, and numbered 103-19, this 14th day of January, 2019.”

Carried

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved By:

Seconded By:

“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings (unless re-scheduled)

Regular Council on Monday, February 11th, 2019.

REEVE DIANE BREWER

CLERK-TREASURER BETTY D. GORDON