

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCE
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

DATE: April 27th 2010
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Prince Township Community Centre
Council Chambers
CHAIR: Reeve L. Madonna
PRESENT: Councilor R. Amadio
Councilor K. Lamming
Councilor R. Williamson
Councilor D. Yanni
STAFF: B. Coughlin, CAO/Administrator
M. Mousseau, Volunteer Fire Chief

1. CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Madonna called the meeting to order.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 2010-66

MOVED BY Councilor K. Lamming
SECONDED BY Councilor R. Williamson

Resolved that the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 27th 2010 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolution No. 2010-67

MOVED BY Councilor R. Amadio
SECONDED BY Councilor K. Lamming

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 13th 2010 be approved as submitted.

CARRIED

5. QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None.

6. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a) Jan Esklin – Jackson Island Roadway

Mrs. Esklin was present, representing cottage owners in the Jackson Island area. Due to recent break-ins at the cottages in the area, the owners requested a gate be placed across the road as a deterrent. Mrs. Esklin noted that if costs were an issue, the cottage owners would be willing to contribute financially to the erection of a gate.

Council discussed the police presence in the area, as well as some legal considerations of blocking the seasonal road. Reeve Madonna asked that the Administrator research the possibility.

7. REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

a) Planner – Official Plan Report

Mr. Wierzbicki, Planning Consultant, was present to discuss an amendment to the draft Official Plan in regards to vehicle parking. Mr. Wierzbicki presented a report on the issue, with a recommendation that equipment may be considered by Council without an amendment to the Plan, based on specific criteria. He noted that this would essentially allow Council to approve applications on an individual basis.

Council discussed the recommendation, the control over decision-making and the possibility of appeals to the Ontario Municipal Board. Councilor Lamming noted a concern regarding the fit with others in the neighbourhood; Mr. Wierzbicki advised that this would be an issue considered in the decision-making process. Councilor Yanni noted that the Official Plan should not be overly specific as to close the door to opportunities for the next twenty five years.

Councilor Lamming then asked for a recorded vote.

Resolution No. 2010-68

MOVED BY Councilor R. Williamson
SECONDED BY Councilor D. Yanni

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince accept the Planning Report as information and approve the recommendation enclosed regarding the Official Plan.

Councilor Amadio – yea
Councilor Lamming – nay
Reeve Madonna – yea
Councilor Williamson – yea
Councilor Yanni – yea

CARRIED

Mr. Wierzbicki then advised Council that he would create the complete package to send to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing for review, explaining the probably timeline of response.

b) Administrator – JEPP Funding

The Administrator gave Council a brief verbal report regarding the applications under the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program. She noted that the municipality had been approved for \$580.77 towards a portable radio system for the Volunteer Fire Department, as well as \$10,000 towards an emergency generator for the Community Centre.

c) Administrator – Final Budget 2010

The Administrator presented Council with a final budget for 2010. Councilor Lamming noted his concern with the overall levy for the budget, as well as the increase in the estimated costs for the fire department. Councilor Yanni noted decreases in certain areas, as well as funds set aside for reserves.

Councilor Lamming then asked for a recorded vote.

Resolution No. 2010-69

MOVED BY Councilor R. Williamson
SECONDED BY Councilor D. Yanni

Resolved that the final budget to levy \$762,798 in 2010 be approved as presented.

Councilor Amadio – yea
Councilor Lamming – nay
Reeve Madonna – yea
Councilor Williamson – yea
Councilor Yanni – yea

CARRIED

d) Administrator – Equipment Quotations

The Administrator presented Council with a report outlining the equipment quotes received for 2010.

Resolution No. 2010-70

MOVED BY Councilor K. Lamming
SECONDED BY Councilor R. Williamson

Resolved that the quotes for equipment rental be noted as received and that the Roads Superintendent shall at his discretion hire the equipment necessary from the attached list.

CARRIED

e) Administrator – Unfinished Business

Council discussed the report regarding unfinished business as of April 2010. Council discussed the issue of streetlighting, and asked the Administrator to write to PUC on the issue. Council also discussed the draft open air by-law, as well as the marina. Councilor Williamson advised that she had spoken with a representative of the Ministry of Fisheries & Oceans regarding First Nations issues relating to the project as well as maintenance issues.

Resolution No. 2010-71

MOVED BY Councilor D. Yanni
SECONDED BY Councilor R. Amadio

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince accept the Administrative Report regarding Unfinished Business as information.

CARRIED

8. MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF MOTIONS

None.

9. BY-LAWS

a) By-Law 2010-09, being a by-law to appoint establish tax ratios.

Resolution No. 2010-71

MOVED BY Councilor R. Williamson
SECONDED BY Councilor D. Yanni

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince hereby approve By-Law 2010-09, being a by-law to establish tax ratios.

CARRIED

b) By-Law 2010-10, being a by-law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes for the year 2010.

Resolution No. 2010-73

MOVED BY Councilor K. Lamming
SECONDED BY Councilor R. Amadio

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince hereby approve By-Law 2010-10, being a by-law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes for the year 2010.

CARRIED

a) By-Law 2010-11, being a by-law to set and levy tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2010.

Resolution No. 2010-74

MOVED BY Councilor D. Yanni
SECONDED BY Councilor K. Lamming

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince hereby approve By-Law 2010-11, being a by-law to set and levy tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2010.

CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities –
 - i) 2010 FONOM/MMAH Northeastern Municipal Conference
 - ii) Resolution re: Northern Communities Grant

Resolution No. 2010-75

MOVED BY Councilor R. Williamson
SECONDED BY Councilor K. Lamming

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince endorse the resolution submitted by the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities regarding the Northern Communities Grant.

b) Algoma District Municipal Association – Resolution re: Bill 237

11. MINUTES OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS

Council discussed the flag in front of the Community Centre. Councilor Lamming volunteered to purchase a new flag.

Chief Mousseau also spoke with Council regarding the water filtration building in Gros Cap for emergency purposes.

Reeve Madonna then advised that Michael Ignatieff, Leader of the federal Opposition, would be attending the Fire Hall May 3rd to make an announcement relating to volunteer fire departments.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2010-76

MOVED BY Councilor D. Yanni
SECONDED BY Councilor R. Amadio

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince hereby go into closed session to discuss matters relating to:

1. Information subject to solicitor-client privilege;
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and

Further be it resolved that should the closed session be adjourned, Council may reconvene in closed session to continue to discuss the same matter without the need for a further authorizing resolution.

CARRIED

Council then came out of closed session.

Resolution No. 2010-77

MOVED BY Councilor K. Lamming

SECONDED BY Councilor D. Yanni

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince hereby come out of closed session, the time being 8:47 p.m.

CARRIED

14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2010-78

MOVED BY Councilor D. Yanni
SECONDED BY Councilor R. Williamson

Resolved that the Council of the Township of Prince hereby adjourn until May 11th 2010 or the call of the chair.

CARRIED