

MUNICIPALITY OF THORNE
Regular Sitting held on August 11, 2015 (7 p.m.)

Minutes of the meeting of the Municipality of Thorne held on Tuesday, August 11th 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in Thorne Township, under the chairmanship of the Mayor, Mr. Terence Murdock.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

K. Kelly, E. Dagenais-Schwartz, E. Pasch, M. Born, D. Stafford
J. Abbott-Miller justified her absence

Stacy Lafleur, Rick Leders, Pierre Champoux

2. VISITORS / QUESTION PERIOD

Mark Killoran gave a letter to council clarifying the term rezoning for change of usage.

He also asked if the count has been determined for the letter that was sent to the residents in zone 15 and 16. The DG informed him that the compilation has not been completed and that she will contact the planning committee in the upcoming weeks to schedule a meeting and go over this issue. Mayor Murdock also informed him that we are waiting for advice from Municipal Affairs..

He then stated that in By-Law 2008-2 indicates that all trailer owners must obtain a Municipal permit and he requested that this by-law be enforced. The municipal inspector advised him that this law will be enforced if necessary.

Mr. William Amos, liberal party candidate presented himself.

Mr. Wills informed council that he went to the transfer station to see if something could be done with bins. He suggests that the box be leveled with beams so that the doors come down straighter.

Mr. Gilles Ouimet questioned the Mayor on the letter that was sent to all ratepayers. He wanted to know if the municipality would be paying the rent since the letter stipulated that the TCRA was a for profit organization. He also asked which letter was sent to the TCRA and has not been answered.

Mrs. Diane Champoux stated that she had great issues with things that are happening in the community and advised that her vehicle had been vandalized the night before.

Mrs. Greenshield asked the inspector if the shed at 84, Thorne Lake Road was re-inspected and she was advised that it had been.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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It is moved by M. Born and unanimously resolved to adopt the agenda with the following modifications:

27 – Ratepayers Requests
#28 – Outstanding Citizens

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 14TH, 2015 MEETING

127-08/2015

It is moved by D. Stafford and unanimously resolved to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 14th, 2015 with the following modifications:

10 – Change the word Thorne for Hodgins

5. FOLLOW-UP

1) *Request from ratepayer*

The Director General informed Council that at last month's meeting; a letter was received from a ratepayer with concerns about the blocked access on Dunlop Road. Council concluded that this said Road is private property and the Municipality could not intervene. He then sent another letter requesting that the Fire Chief go assess the situation.

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It is moved by E. Pasch and unanimously resolved to refer this request to the Fire Chief.

6. INSPECTOR'S REPORT

1) Inspectors Report
The inspectors read his report.

7. ROAD FOREMAN'S REPORT

The Road Foreman read his report.

8. ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT

There is nothing to report this month.

9. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

There is nothing to report this month.

10. LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor K. scheduled a working session on Wednesday August 19th, at 7 pm.

She also mentioned that she left a message with the inspector in Bristol to see what the plan was for the re-usage.

11. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT
Councillor M. Born informed council that a working session was held on August 4th, 2015 to review the applications for the bursary. There were two applicants and both were found suitable therefore the committee recommends that each applicant receive \$ 250. The recipients were Ryleigh Hodgins and Katrina Soroka.
- 129-08/2015** It is moved by M. Born and unanimously resolved that both applicants receive \$ 250.
12. RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE REPORT
Councillor E. Dagenais-Schwartz gave an update on the Family Fun Day that was held on July 26th, 2015.
13. PUBLIC SECURITY COMMITTEE REPORT
Councillor D. Stafford mentions that the Civil Protection Plan needs to be updated.
14. FIRE DEPARTMENT
1) *Fire Chief Report*
The Fire Chief Report was deposited.
- 2) *Inter-municipal Agreement*
WHEREAS both Thorne and Otter Lake fire departments don't meet the requirements to be a self-sufficient department;
WHEREAS an Inter Municipal Agreement is needed between the two Municipalities;
WHEREAS the Fire Chiefs of Thorne and Otter Lake met to review the existing Inter Municipal Agreement and made the necessary changes;
THEREFORE:
- 130-08/2015** It is moved by D. Stafford and unanimously resolved to adopt the Inter Municipal Agreement as presented by the two Fire Chiefs. The Mayor and Director General are authorized to sign the Agreement.
- 3) *Fire Alarm Inspections*
The Director General presented to council the form that was sent out by the Municipality of Clarendon for the inspection of the Fire Alarms.
- 131-08/2015** It is moved by E. Pasch and unanimously resolved to send this form to all ratepayers in Thorne.
15. DEEDS
7 deeds were received during the month of July for a total amount of \$ 3 148.36.
16. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
No nomination will submitted this year.
17. COTTAGE LIVING AD
WHEREAS every year the Municipality publishes an ad in the Cottage Living booklet;
WHEREAS the Pontiac Journal is offering to publish the ad next year for the same price as 2015;
THEREFORE:
- 132-08/2015** It is moved by K. Kelly and unanimously resolved to publish the ad again next year at the same rate as 2015.
18. MILLIKEN ROAD
The Municipality received an email from the Municipality of Otter Lake informing us that there will no longer be a permanent resident on Milliken Road and that they will be adjusting their snowplow contract accordingly.
- It was suggested by council that the Road Committee have a meeting with Otter Lake to discuss this issue.
19. FCM
Councillor M. Born informed council that she had participated in the FCM Conference that was held in Edmonton in June and that they would like her to sit on various committees. She asks for the support of council.
- 133-08/2015** It is moved by E. Dagenais-Schwartz and unanimously resolved to support Councilor M. Born being on those committees to represent our Municipality however this money was not budgeted for and Councilor M. Born will need to find her own funding.
- The Mayor will try to obtain funding from the MRC in order to pay for the expenses.
20. SECONDING MOTIONS
The Mayor informed council that according to Municipal Affairs, all resolutions should be seconded.
- 134-08/2015** It is moved by M. Born and unanimously resolved that as of the next meeting all resolutions will need to be seconded.
21. LAWYER
In Camera 7:45 pm

22. TEMPORARY BUILDING
Out of Camera 7:55 pm

23. INFORMATION SESSION MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS
The Director General informed Council that there will be an information session given by the Municipal Affairs with regards to the By-Law on Remuneration of Elected Municipal officers on August 27th, 2015 at 7 pm.

The Mayor Terence Murdock and Councillors M.Born, D.Stafford and K.Kelly will be attending this session.

24. MAYORS REPORT OF THE MRC MONTHLY MEETING
No meetings were held in July.

25. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MRC MEETING

26. VARIA

27. RATEPAYERS REQUESTS
Two ratepayer requests were received. The first one was concerning the welcome to Thorne sign located on route 303. She suggested that the site should be cleaned up, that the German Flag and the sign attached on the bottom left corner be removed.

The Mayor suggests calling a member from Oktoberfest to remove the flag and asked the Road Foreman to cut the grass and remove the sign (Times have changed).

The second request was concerning the regulation on trailers. The ratepayer suggested that instead of allowing two trailers on a 40 000 square foot lot to allow only one trailer per 20 000 square foot lot.

This request was refused by Council because the Subdivision By-Law is not only a municipal by-law but also a Provincial Law.

A letter will be sent to the ratepayer to this effect.

28. OUTSTANDING CITIZENS
Councillor D. Stafford wanted to know who the Outstanding Citizens was and why the Council did not have a vote on this matter.

The Mayor advised that it was his decision because the plaques were given out on behalf of the Mayor at his own expense and they were handed out during his annual BBQ. He further advised that he was open to having Council establish a Municipal Honors and Awards Committee to recognize our outstanding citizens.

29. PAYMENT OF INVOICES
136-08/2015 It is moved by M. Born and unanimously resolved that the invoices totaling \$ 43 126.97 be paid.

Certificate of Authority of Funds.

I, the undersigned, Stacy Lafleur, Director General for the Municipality of Thorne, certify that there are credits available to pay the expenses listed below.

3477835 Canada Inc.	\$ 2 683.48	Ministre du Revenu du Québec	\$ 6 045.46
Bell Mobilité	\$ 40.70	MRC Pontiac	\$ 233.75
Benson Auto Parts	\$ 138.47	National Bank of Canada	\$ 261.67
Boivin & Gauvin inc.	\$ 1 314.95	Petty cash	\$ 46.50
Canada Customs and Revenue	\$ 2 381.55	Pontiac Printshop	\$ 150.94
Canadian Tire	\$ 30.45	Reis Equipment Center	\$ 210.42
Champoux Pierre	\$ 349.59	RICOH CANADA INC.	\$ 158.64
Deveau Avocats	\$ 75.46	Schwartz, Essie	\$ 233.04
Educ Expert	\$ 1 437.19	Scully, Clarence	\$ 146.71
Gerard Labelle CPA inc	\$ 689.85	Standard Life	\$ 1 013.77
HD Tent & Toilet rentals	\$ 206.95	Telebec	\$ 450.71
Hydro Québec	\$ 856.54	Vaughan Bastien Tire Service	\$ 195.39
Lafleur, Stacy	\$ 39.60	Villeneuve, Chantal	\$ 39.60
MacEwen Petroleum	\$ 2 138.64	Salary	\$ 21 556.95

Councilor E.Pasch expressed his concern about an issue we have been having with hydro-Quebec for over a month now. We are paying for a service and the problem has yet to be resolved. The street light across the Bretzlaff store and the one in front of McCaggs is not in working condition and this is a security issue for the store.

Whereof, this certificate is given in Ladysmith, this August 11th, 2015

Stacy Lafleur, Director General

30. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING
137-08/2015 It is moved by E. Dagenais-Schwartz and unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Next regular sitting of Council will be at 7 p.m. on September 8th, 2015

Terence Murdock
Mayor

Stacy Lafleur
Director General

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