MINUTES

A meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie was held on Monday, March 24th, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following Members of Council were present:

Mayor Paul Eagleson (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Mark Davis
Councillor Doug Bell
Councillor Brian Dudgeon
Councillor Steve Hammell
Councillor Peter Steinacker

Regrets:

Councillor Dan Kerr

The following members of Staff were present:

P. Rouse, Clerk
D. Hunks, Treasurer
V. Weppler, Works Department
J. Planz, Chief Building Official

1. Adoption of Agenda
   Moved by: Councillor Steinacker
   Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon
   Be It Resolved, That the agenda for the Council Meeting of March 24th, 2014 be received and adopted, as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 106 – 2014

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof
   There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest by Members of the Committee under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act at this time.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
   3.1 Regular Council meeting C#04-14 held March 10th, 2014
      Moved by: Councillor Steinacker
      Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon
      Be It Resolved, That Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie
adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Session C#04-14 held Monday, March 10th, 2014, as circulated.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 107 – 2014

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Notice of Motion – Letter to Federal and Provincial Ministers of Finance – Loan Insurance Program

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon

Whereas a vibrant busy main street is an important part of the social and economic fabric of rural and small town Ontario; and
Whereas many storefronts in small town Ontario are becoming vacant and/or struggling; and
Whereas many are for sale and should be being bought by the younger generation that have the education, skills and energy to make a business viable; and
Whereas our lending institutions are requiring down payments of 40 to 50% down before approving financing on these small commercial ventures; and
Whereas many of these young people cannot come up with this kind of down payment, especially when you consider that they will most likely need some equity in place to set up credit with their suppliers; therefore

Be it Resolved that the council of the Municipality of Arran Elderslie request through the form of a letter that our Federal and Provincial Ministers of Finance look into and instigate a loan insurance program much like the CMHC 1st time residential home Buyer’s program where the loan is insured to give the lending institutions a sense of security and get the down payments to a level that will let our young people get engaged in business and keep our main streets vibrant and alive. This loan insurance program would be for the purchase of small business and/or small business infrastructure such as the buildings; and further

Be it Resolved that this letter be forwarded to the Hon. Charles Sousa, Minister of Finance for the Province of Ontario, the Hon. Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance for Canada, Larry Miller, MP for Bruce Grey Owen Sound, Bill Walker, MPP for Bruce Grey Owen Sound and to all Municipalities in Ontario asking for their support and to also send letters to the Finance Ministers and their respective MPs and MPPs.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 108 – 2014

5. Public Meeting(s) – None

6. Presentation(s) – None

7. Delegation(s)


S/Sgt. Dana Earley, Detachment Manager – South Bruce Detachment – West Region of the Ontario Provincial Police addressed Council, reviewing the 2013 Annual Report, bring highlights of this report, noting the property crime, traffic and workload, noting that the increased number of distractive driving incidents being reported, costing for services and the top ten (10) occurrences in 2013. S/Sgt. Earley highlighted the Safe Community Committee, the Led Policing – Crime Abatement Strategy, Traffic – Fatal Motor Vehicle Collisions, Mental Health, Domestic Disturbance Incidents, 911 Emergency Calls and the top ten (10) contributing factors for collisions.

S/Sgt. Earley answered questions from Members of Council.

7.2 Bruce County Housing – Update – Long Term Housing Strategy Plan

Susan Earle, Administrator, Bruce County Housing Services and Leah Barrie, Intermediate Planner, Bruce County Planning and...
Economic Development, made a power point presentation to Council, providing an update on the Long Term Housing Strategy Plan.

Ms. Earle & Ms. Barrie advised Council that they were seeking is that the information that is being presented is received, share with ratepayers and staff the importance of the development of affordable rental and home ownership, and commit to assisting with diversified housing initiatives by waiving fees, providing grants, donating land, and encouraging the creation of secondary suites.

Discussion included "Housing for All – A Place to Call Home", their achievements since 2010, the Ten (10) Year Long Term Housing Plan and "Yes In My Backyard Team (YIMBY)", and Planning Community Improvement Plans.

Council thanked Ms. Earle and Ms. Barrie for their presentation.

A recess was held at this time (10:08 a.m. – 10:21 a.m.).

8. Correspondence

8.1 Requiring Action – None

8.2 For Information

Subsequent to discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Councillor Hammell

Be It Resolved, That Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie receives, notes and files correspondence on the Council Agenda for information purposes.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 109 – 2014

8.3 Events/Notices – None

9. Staff Reports

9.1 Clerk – Peggy Rouse

9.1.1 SRCLK.14.011 – Site Plan Control Agreement – Consent B-88-2013.49 – Thompson

P. Rouse, Clerk, responded to questions from Members of Council. Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Steinacker
Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon

Be It Resolved, 1) That SRCLK.14.11 be received – Site Plan Control Agreement – Consent B-88-2013.49 – Thompson – Concession B Lot 14 (Arran);
2) That the necessary by-law be prepared, authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute the Site Plan Control Agreement.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 110 – 2014

9.2 Treasurer – David Hunks

9.2.1 Accounts Payable Voucher # 06-2014

D. Hunks, Treasurer, responded to questions from Members of Council. Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Davis

Be It Resolved, That Accounts Payable Voucher #06-2014 dated March 20th, 2014 in the amount of $ 389,849.35 be approved for payment as submitted by the Treasurer.
Carried Resolution # 05 – 111 – 2014

9.3 Works Manager – Vernon Weppler

9.3.1 SRW.14.05 - Ontario Good Roads Association – Educational Services – Guelph Road School

V. Weppler, Works Manager, responded to questions from Members of Council. Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Seconded by: Councillor Bell
Be It Resolved,
1) That Report SRW.14.05 be received – Ontario Good Roads Association Educational Services – Guelph Road School; and
2) That Council approve that one (1) Works Department Employee may be sent annually to the T.J. Mahony Road School in Guelph, subject to resources availability and on a seniority basis.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 112 – 2014

9.3.2 SRW.14.06 – Arran-Elderslie Training – Water-Wastewater Operators

V. Weppler, Works Manager, responded to questions from Members of Council. Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Seconded by: Councillor Bell
Be It Resolved,
1) That Report SRW.14.06 be received – Arran-Elderslie Training – Water/Wastewater Operators; and
2) That Council authorize Scott McLeod, Water Foreman to attend the Public Works Leadership Development Program (PWLDP), being offered through the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors, on June 10th & 11th, 2014, at the Centre for Health & Safety Innovation in Mississauga, being subject to resources availability.

Defeated Resolution # 05 – 113 – 2014

9.3.2 SRW.14.07 – Capacity of Chesley Lagoon – Approve Notice of Study Commencement

V. Weppler, Works Manager, responded to questions from Members of Council. Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Seconded by: Councillor Bell
Be It Resolved,
1) That Report SRW.14.07 be received – Capacity of Chesley Lagoon – Approve Notice of Study Commencement;
2) That Council authorize GSS to resume the Schedule “C” Environment Assessment, to increase the capacity of the Chesley Wastewater Treatment Lagoons; and
3) That this Schedule C “Environment Assessment” will require the completion of Phase 1, 2 and 3 of the Municipal Environment Assessment

Carried Resolution # 05 – 114 – 2014

9.4 Building Department – Josh Planz – None

9.5 Recreation Department – Ann McArthur – None

9.6 Fire Departments

9.6.1 SRPFD.14.02 – Award Request for Proposal – New Tanker
Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon  
Seconded by: Councillor Steinacker  

Be It Resolved,
1) That Report SRPFD.14.02 be received – Award Request for Proposal – New Tanker;
2) That Council award the quotation for the supply and delivery of one (1) 2015 Freightliner Tanker to the lowest proponent meeting specification, Dependable Emergency Vehicles in the amount of $282,850.00 (excluding applicable taxes); and
3) That Council grant 2014 pre-budget approval for this purchase in the amount of $20,000.00 to the Arran-Elderslie Fire Reserve.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 115 – 2014

9.7 Planning Department – Jacob Van Dorp – None

A recess was held at this time (12:01 p.m. – 1:02 p.m.).

10. Reports of Members of Council

Bell:  
Councillor Bell announced that he had attended the BASWR meeting last Thursday.

Hammell:  
Councillor Hammell announced that he had attended the Mayors’ Forum – Grey & Bruce County Federation of Agriculture last week.

Steinacker:  
Councillor Steinacker announced that he had nothing additional to report that has not already be discussed.

Dudgeon:  
Councillor Dudgeon advised that he had nothing additional to report that has not already be discussed.

Deputy Mayor Davis:  
Deputy Mayor Davis advised that he had also attended the Mayors’ Forum – Grey & Bruce County Federation of Agriculture last week.

Mayor Eagleson:  
Mayor Eagleson updated council regarding his meeting schedule and events since the last council meeting, noting that he had attended a Natural Gas Utility meeting at the Kincardine Administration Office.

11. Health and Safety – None

12. Other Business – None

13. Notice of Motion – None

14. By-law(s)

14.1 By-law No. 14-2014 – Authorize Execution of Site Plan Control Agreement – Thompson – Concession B Lot 14 (Arran)

Moved by: Councillor Steinacker  
Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon  

Be It Resolved, That By-law No. 14-2014 be introduced and taken as read a first and second time, being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Site Plan Control Agreement with William James Thompson and Lynne Marion Thompson regarding Concession B Lot 14 (Arran).

Carried Resolution # 05 – 116 – 2014
Moved by: Councillor Steinacker
Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon
Be It Resolved, That By-law No. 14-2014 be taken as read a third and final time; to be signed, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 116 – 2014

14.2 By-law 15-2014 – Authorize Alternative Voting Method – Vote-By-Mail
Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Be It Resolved, That By-law No. 15-2014 be introduced and taken as read a first and second time, being a By-law to authorize alternative voting method, being Vote-By-Mail for the 2014 Municipal Election and entering into an Agreement with Canada Post to provide Vote-By-Mail Services.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 117 – 2014

Moved by: Councillor Hammell
Seconded by: Councillor Bell
Be It Resolved, That By-law No. 16-2014 be introduced and taken as read a first and second time, being a By-law to amend the Municipal Code – Protection to Persons and Property – Fire: Open Fire Regulations.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 118 – 2014

A recess was held at this time (11:54 a.m. – 12:56 p.m.).

15. Resolution to Move into Closed Session and General Nature Thereof
The Mayor advised that Council will go into closed session at 12:54 p.m. for the purpose of matters identified in the motion below.

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Be It Resolved, That Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie does now go into closed session to discuss an item(s) which relates to:
 a) Proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of real property
 Staff authorized to Remain: Clerk

Carried Resolution # 05 – 119 – 2014

16. Resolution to Reconvene in Open Session
Council arose from closed session and the regular session resumed at 2:55 p.m. The Mayor confirmed that Council discussed only those matters identified in the motion above.

17. Adoption of Recommendations Arising from Closed Session
Moved by: Councillor Steinacker
Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon

Be It Resolved, That Council adopt the direction from the “Closed” Session.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 122 – 2014

18. Confirming By-law

By-law 17-2014 – Confirming By-law

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Davis

Be It Resolved, That By-law No. 17-2014 be introduced and taken as read a first and second time, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the council meeting of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie held March 24th, 2014.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 123 – 2014

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

Be It Resolved, That By-law No. 13-2014 be taken as read a third and final time; to be signed, sealed and engrossed in the By-law Book.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 123 – 2014

19. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Councillor Hammell

Be It Resolved, That the meeting be adjourned to the call of the Mayor.

Carried Resolution # 05 – 124 – 2014

The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Original Signed by

Paul Eagleson, Mayor

Original Signed by

Peggy Rouse, Clerk