

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF McNAB/BRAESIDE
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
August 10, 2015

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McNab/Braeside met at 7:00 p.m.

Staff in attendance: Lindsey Parkes, CAO/Clerk
Angela Young, Deputy Clerk

Also in attendance: Paul Moreau, Director of Development and Property - County of Renfrew
Charles Cheesman, Manager of Planning Services - County of Renfrew
Bruce Howarth, Senior Planner - County of Renfrew

Media in attendance: Nil.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

All members of Council were in attendance this evening.

2. **DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

No disclosures of pecuniary interest were declared at this time.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Lang, seconded by Deputy Mayor Armsden, **THAT** the agenda dated August 10, 2015, be adopted as submitted and circulated.

CARRIED.

4. **SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE**

Notice dated July 16, 2015

The notice was posted on the Township website calendar, in the Township Times and on the front door and front counter of the Municipal office as well as on the door to the Council Chambers.

The Clerk read the Notice of Special Meeting.

5. **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

The representatives from the County of Renfrew Development and Property Department were in attendance this evening to review the County of Renfrew Official Plan Process currently being

done. Mr. Cheesman advised that our Township is due to complete its five year review of the official plan early next year as required under the Planning Act. He explained how the Township could utilize the County's Official Plan as their own, with policies included that would be specific to the Township. The similarities and differences between the County and Township plans were briefly reviewed, along with the cost savings to the municipality for the review process.

Mr. Moreau in closing advised that should Council wish to participate with the County in the 5 year review of their plan and be included in the County Official Plan, the County would require a resolution.

Mayor Peckett thanked the representatives from the County for their presentation this evening and advised that Council would consider the options provided this evening and advise of Council's decision in this regard. (Presentation 6 pages included)

6. MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE DELEGATIONS HEARD

Nil.

7. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

County of Renfrew Official Plan

8. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

- Deputy Mayor Armsden stated that the Township had not gone with the County Plan previously as they were weary of losing their local autonomy. He further stated that the County Plan and Township Plan are 90% similar, and should the Township proceed with being included in the County Plan they will still have the authority they have now.
- Councillor Lang inquired as to the timeline for producing the County Plan. Mr. Cheesman advised that they are very motivated to have the plan in place prior to March 2017. Mr. Moreau advised they are hoping to be at the local Municipal review stage of revised draft Official Plan by April/May 2016.
- Councillor Brum inquired if we could return to our own Official Plan at any time in the future, to which the response was yes.
- Councillor Brum inquired if going under the County Official Plan would cause the Township to lose any grant opportunities, to which Mr. Moreau responded that it would not.
- Mayor Peckett advised that if we undertake our own Official Plan review process it could take up to two years.

- Councillor MacKenzie requested an explanation of how the settlement areas would be defined. Mr. Howarth explained that directing growth to the settlement area will not change. The settlement area will not show as an outlined defined boundary, it will be depicted as a dot on the mapping and if the development is favorable for the area proposed a recommendation from the Planner will be submitted. Ultimately, it would be a local Council decision if the development is deemed appropriate and close to the settlement area.

9. **CLOSED MEETING SESSION**

Nil.

10. **BY-LAWS**

Nil.

11. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

- a) By-Law #2015-81 - Confirm the proceedings of Council – August 10, 2015

Moved by Councillor Lang, seconded by Councillor Brum, **THAT** By-Law # 2015-81, Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the August 10, 2015 Special Meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of McNab/Braeside, I now deemed read a second and third time short and it is hereby enacted and passed.

CARRIED.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of Council adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

MAYOR

CAO/CLERK