

TOWNSHIP OF RAMARA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Monday, July 17, 2000
Report 12/00

ATTENDEES:

Mayor	Tom Garry
Deputy Mayor	Dan McMillan
Councillor	Marilyn Brooks
Councillor	John Ferguson
Councillor	Nadir Jamal
Councillor	Neal Snutch
Councillor	Norm Whitney
CAO/Clerk	Richard P. Bates
Treasurer	Margaret Black
Council/Committee Secretary	Jennifer Shave

We the Committee of the Whole met at 7:00 pm at the Udney Community Centre and recommend the following to Council:

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

DEPUTATIONS

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

- CW.170.00 THAT we receive the draft Committee of Adjustment minutes dated July 4, 2000.
- CW.171.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 advising of the appeal regarding Bylaw 2000.51. (Kaiser-Reid)

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

- CW.172.00 THAT we request C.C. Tatham & Associates Ltd., to provide a cost estimate for the reconstruction of Carol Ann Avenue from Stephanie Drive eastward under the Local Improvement Act. (WD-13-00)

- CW.173.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 from the Works Superintendent concerning Council inquiries.
- CW.174.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 from the CAO/Clerk regarding Rama Road Environmental Assessment.
- CW.175.00 THAT we do not include overnight parking provisions in the proposed parking bylaw in Lagoon City. (CD-50-00)
- CW.176.00 THAT we ask the County Transportation Committee to relocate the speed sign on County Road #45 in Sebright an additional 500 feet to the west.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

CULTURE & RECREATION

- CW.177.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 from the Council/Committee Secretary regarding Atherley Community Centre Spirit Day.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE/PERSONNEL

- CW.178.00 THAT we enter into an informal partnership with the Ramara Library Board concerning the Simcoe County Access network (SCAN) as follows:
- 1) Janet Banfield, CEO will attend the monthly meetings of SCAN to represent both the Library and the Township;
 - 2) Janet Banfield will provide an overview to the Township to keep staff appraised of SCAN development;
 - 3) the Township will pay the Library 50% of the cost of the part time staff to replace Ms. Banfield and 50% of the travel costs for attending these meetings.
- CW.179.00 THAT we advise the Common Interest Committee that we:
- 1) support the inclusion of the Chippewas of Mnjikaning as member of the Committee; and
 - 2) support the new definition of quorum and revised membership provisions as outlined in the committee's letter dated June 21, 2000.

CW.180.00 THAT we amend the definition of a dog in Bylaw 98.68 (Canine Control) to read as follows:

A male or female dog over the age of three (3) months, but does not include a guide dog within the meaning of the Blind Persons Right Act, or a police work dog, or a dog specifically trained to assist the mentally/physically handicapped.
(CD-49-00)

CW.181.00 THAT we grant permission to the Royal Canadian Legion, Brechin-Mara Branch 488 to re-locate the memorial cenotaph from the front of the municipal office to the Legion property on Concession 4.
(CD-51-00)

CW.182.00 THAT correspondence from Sandy Meloche and Dan Ly, dated June 22, 2000 with respect to an encroachment of property being Lot 1, Plan 1012, Concession 9, 4304 Plum Point Road, owned by Ms. Chesney, be received;
AND THAT the request to enter into an encroachment to permit the encroachment of a hedge and 2 feet of dwelling mostly located on Lot 1, Plan 1012, Concession 9 into the allowance for the road, be approved provided the property owner submit the required \$300.00 deposit for legal expenses, enters into an encroachment agreement with an annual payment of \$30.00 and provides liability insurance in the amount of \$2 million;
AND THAT the bylaw be presented to Council to authorize same.
(CD-52-00)

CW.183.00 THAT we discussed Report TR-11-00 concerning Enershare Management Services.

CW.184.00 THAT we approve the renewal of membership in the LINC Co-operative for a three (3) year term;
AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the LINC Memorandum of Understanding for the sharing of Land Information in the County of Simcoe, on behalf of the Township.
(TR-12-00)

CW.185.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 from the Treasurer regarding the Mara and Rama History Books;
AND THAT a bylaw be prepared to amend Bylaw 99.14 being a bylaw to set fees and charges to reduce the charge for the Mara history books to \$25.00 GST included.

CW.186.00 THAT we recognize the importance of providing information to residents and attracting new industry, business and residents to Ramara Township;
AND THAT we provide resource information to City Klickers to be included on the Orillia & Surrounding Area On CD provided that the information does not infringe on the County of Simcoe Copyright provisions;
AND THAT we develop welcome and informational pages regarding Ramara Township to be included on the CD which will be free of charge;
AND THAT we purchase 20 CDs at an approximate cost of \$2.00 each to be distributed to selected areas;
AND THAT correspondence in support of the CD be provided to City Klickers.
(CD-55-00)

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

CW.187.00 THAT we direct staff to prepare a bylaw in draft for Council to review regulating the length of grass in residentially built up areas.

**Motion deferred to the September 18, 2000 Committee meeting.

CW.188.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 from the Fire Department Secretary regarding donations to the Fire Department.

CW.189.00 THAT we receive the memo dated July 17, 2000 from the Fire Department Secretary;
AND THAT we thank the Ramona Agricultural Society for their donation of \$800.00 to the Fire Department for the purchase of a brush hose and back pack for Fire Station #3.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & MEDIA

Win Robertson inquired if it was permitted to allow another person to put yard waste on property other than their own.

Win Robertson questioned if there had been a re zoning on a property in the Township to allow the dumping of brush and grass clipping.

Win Robertson commented on the Muley Point Road and that fact that there was nothing wrong with the site lines of the road. The problem is that people are driving too fast on the road. Mrs. Robertson would rather see the Township spend their money on assisting with cleanup of properties after the recent storms.

Win Robertson commented that the Works Department did a commendable job cleaning up the area of Amilia Drive and Glenrest Drive and the potholes that are on the road are being caused by all the rain and heavy truck traffic on the road.

Bruce Galway inquired as to the length of time it will take before Council will readdress the no parking bylaw regarding no parking on streets in Lagoon City. His recent request concerning no parking the Lagoon City took three years to be addressed by Council.

Bruce Galway commented on the new walkway on Laguna Parkway and the lines that we painted on it. His concern was the confusion for cars and pedestrians with respect to the lines.

Bruce Galway inquired as to the status of beachfront water testing. He questioned where the water was being tested and how many times to date and what were the results of the tests.

Gillian Galway commented that she had recently visited the Brechin Library and tried to take out a Mara history book and could not find one on the shelves to take out. Gillian commented that perhaps one could be made available to residents to take out.

Cliff Armstrong inquired if the speed limit signs were posted on Murphy Creek to date.

Cliff Armstrong commented that perhaps a copy of both Rama and Mara history books be placed in the Simcoe County archives. Mr. Armstrong also suggested that these history books be given out as awards/gifts to residents/visitors.

Cliff Armstrong commented on the relocation of the cenotaph from the municipal office to the legion considering the future of the Brechin Legion. Members are becoming fewer and fewer and there is the concern that more and more legion branches are closing due to this. Mr. Armstrong suggested that perhaps the Ramara Centre would best suit the cenotaph.

Mr. Armstrong commented on the proposed grass cutting bylaw and the difficult task it would be to administer for the Township should they pass such a comprehensive bylaw.

Diane Bell clarified that there was a Mara history book in the reference section of the Library and that it is policy to not loan reference books out. She suggested that perhaps a copy be made available for residents to take out. Diane also recommended to Council that the books being stored at Works Yard #2 should be on placed on pallets to preserve them. She also informed Council that Brechin Public School has copies of the Mara and Rama history books in their Library.

John O'Donnell informed Committee that all the roadside grass and Township lots have been cut from Bayshore Village south.

Paula Wilson expressed concern with the culverts on her property located on Airport Road.. She explained the constant erosion and residue that have blocked one culvert and partially blocked the second one on her property.

Committee of the Whole went In Camera at 9:00 pm and came out at 9:58 pm.

CW.190.00 THAT we discussed three property matters.

CW.191.00 THAT we advise Kaiser-Reid concerning their re-zoning application that the Township will only appear at the OMB Hearing if the applicants (Kaiser-Reid) pay all Township Costs.

CW.192.00 THAT we appoint Cliff Armstrong to the Ramara Public Library Board for a term expiring November 30, 2000.

ADJOURNMENT

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 10:00 pm