

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHAMBERLAIN HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON Tuesday November 1st, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.**

**Present:** Kerry Stewart, Debra Schenk, Charles Codd, Shirley Blackburn, Bruce Knott and Calvin Rodgers.

**Regrets:** Cary Hager.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 p.m.

2016-141 Shirley Blackburn/Debra Schenk

**WHEREAS** there is a quorum of Council present;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the regular meeting of Tuesday November 1st, 2016, is hereby opened for business. –Carried

2016-142 Debra Schenk/Shirley Blackburn

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda of Council for this meeting is hereby adopted as presented. –Carried

2016-143 Charles Codd/Shirley Blackburn

**THAT** the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of October 4th, 2016, are adopted as presented, and the reading thereof dispensed with. –Carried

2016-144 Debra Schenk/Charles Codd

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the accounts for the month of October 2016, in the amount of \$65,234.56 are to be paid in full. –Carried

2016-145 Charles Codd/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS** Council accepts the final **2016 OSIM INSPECTION REPORT** for the bridges and culverts that legally require them in the Township of Chamberlain, as prepared by TSI Inc. -Carried

2016-146 Debra Schenk/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS** the safety of victims of sexual violence and/or domestic violence should be a priority for all levels of government in Canada;

**AND WHEREAS** the intent of a certificate of parole is to set out the conditions under which an inmate may be granted parole;

**AND WHEREAS** by signing a certificate of parole the inmate indicated that they agree to abide by the conditions contained therein;

**AND WHEREAS** the electronic monitoring of parolees convicted of an offence of violence and/or an offence of domestic violence would facilitate compliance with the conditions of parole and provide some peace of mind for the victims of these crimes;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Chamberlain supports the Township of Madawaska Valley in their effort to see changes made to the parole system as proposed in the Private Member's Bill as put forward by

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the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke, and submitted as Bill 21, An Act to amend the Ministry of Correctional Services Act in respect of parole;

**AND THAT** a copy of this resolution of support be sent to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable David Orazietto, Minister of Community Safety & Correctional Services, Mr. Patrick Brown, Progressive Conservative Party Leader, Ms. Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party, and to the MPP for Temiskaming-Cochrane John Vanthof;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution of support is to be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for consideration. -Carried

2016-147 Charles Codd/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS**, Ontario-grown corn, soybean and wheat crops generate \$9 billion in economic output and are responsible for over 40,000 jobs;

**AND WHEREAS** Ontario farmers are stewards of the land and understand the importance of pollinators to our environment and ecosystems;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ontario government is implementing changes to ON Reg. 63/09 that would prevent any Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) from carrying out a pest assessment if they receive financial compensation from a manufacturer or retailer of a Class 12 pesticide;

**AND WHEREAS** Ontario's 538 Certified Crop Advisors who are capable of and willing to conduct pest assessments will be reduced to 80 should the proposed changes to the definition of professional pest advisor be implemented in August 2017;

**AND WHEREAS** the reduction in the CCA's would force corn and soybean farmers to terminate the relationships that they have built with experts that understand their unique crop requirements, soil types, and field conditions, placing undue delays on planting crops;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Chamberlain supports the efforts of the Member of Provincial Parliament for Huron-Bruce to eliminate barriers to employment opportunities for CCA's, and to allow Ontario farmers the freedom to engage in business with the expert of their choice;

**AND THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to local MPP for Temiskaming-Cochrane, John Vanthof and the Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO).  
-Carried

2016-148 Shirley Blackburn/Debra Schenk

**WHEREAS** the current Accommodation Review process is not reflective of the reality of rural school and community life;

**AND WHEREAS** school closures impact single-school small rural communities in all educational, social and economic aspects to a far greater degree than those impacts in multi-school urban communities;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipality of Grey Highlands requests the Minister of Education initiate an immediate moratorium on the Accommodation Review Process until such time as a review of the above mentioned impacts on small

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rural communities be studied, completed and the results and recommendations be considered;

**AND THAT** this resolution be circulated to Premier Kathleen Wynne, MPP Bill Walker, Minister of Infrastructure, and MPP for Temiskaming-Cochrane, John Vanthof. -Carried

2016-149 Shirley Blackburn/Debra Schenk

**WHEREAS** By-law #2010-09, is a by-law regarding Workplace Violence and Workplace Harassment;

**AND WHEREAS** this by-law and relating policy is to be reviewed at least annually;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ministry of Labour has recently provided the municipal office with a required update regarding workplace sexual harassment;

**NOW THEREFORE** Council has taken the time to review the by-law, made the appropriate changes, and are satisfied that it meets the current needs of the municipality. -Carried

2016-150 Charles Codd/Debra Schenk

**WHEREAS** By-law #2015-18, a by-law regarding Accessibility, has been reviewed and updated, including the barrier identification list on pg.9;

**AND WHEREAS** the requirement to pass a new by-law each year has been amended;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council for the Township of Chamberlain accepts the changes to the by-law as attached and agree to review this by-law yearly and report on accessibility biennially as required. -Carried

2016-151 Debra Schenk/Shirley Blackburn

**THAT** in accordance with Section 259. (1) The office of a member of council of a municipality becomes vacant if the member (c) is absent from the meetings of council for three successive months without being authorized to do so by a resolution of council;

**NOW THEREFORE** Council authorizes Councillor Cary Hager to be absent from the October meeting, which is his third successive council meeting absence, due to his work schedule. -Carried

2016-152 Debra Schenk/Charles Codd

**WHEREAS** passenger rail in Northern Ontario is an essential infrastructure for economic development , resource-based industries, tourism, access to health care, sustainability and socio-economic connectivity, the Township of Chamberlain supports the Northern and Eastern Ontario Rail Network (NEORN) in their advocacy for reliable and affordable passenger train service throughout Northern Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** the Township of Chamberlain also requests the Northern Ontario Multimodal Transportation Study (NOMTS) recommends to the Province of

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Ontario to retain existing passenger rail services, reinstate recently cut train services and provide interconnectivity with corresponding bus & marine shuttles;

**NOW THEREFORE** Council agrees to forward this resolution of support to Northern and Eastern Ontario Rail Network, the Ministry of Transportation, the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, and the Northern Ontario Multimodal Transportation Study. –Carried

2016-153 Charles Codd/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS** there is inequity between the cost of hydro for rural residents as compared to urban residents due to higher distribution charges;

**AND WHEREAS** this practice targets and negatively affects rural residents, especially those who are already unable to pay for the high cost of hydro;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Township of Chamberlain supports the County of Grey in their request to the Province that they re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access and delivery and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery for rural residents;

**AND THAT** this resolution be forwarded to Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO). –Carried

2016-154 Debra Schenk/Shirley Blackburn

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Municipal Affairs has implemented a new requirement that anyone wishing to run for office on a council must submit the signatures of 25 voters supporting the nomination;

**AND WHEREAS** in many small municipalities it has become increasingly difficult to attract councillors and this requirement will discourage qualified and new candidates;

**AND WHEREAS** in rural communities accessibility is even more difficult and infringes Ontarians with Disabilities (AODA);

**AND WHEREAS** the Province has stated that they want to encourage more local decision making;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Chamberlain support the Municipality of Charlton and Dack in their request to the Province to re-evaluate this requirement and allow it to be an optional local decision to avoid negative consequences to many municipalities;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Critics for Municipal Affairs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities for consideration. –Carried

2016-155 Shirley Blackburn/Charles Codd

**THAT** By-law 2016-14, being a by-law allowing the Clerk-Treasurer/CAO and the Reeve to execute an agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, regarding Ontario Community Infrastructure Funding for the 2017, 2018, and 2019 years, be read a first, second, and third time and finally passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 2016. –Carried

2016-156 Debra Schenk/Shirley Blackburn

**THAT** this meeting be adjourned until the next regular meeting December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016, or at the call of the Chair. -Carried

**ADJOURNED:** 8:35 p.m.

**Correspondence:**

Darcy Boudreau re: Pope property and road access  
The Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley re: sexual and/or domestic violence  
City of Belleville re: supporting agricultural experts in their fields  
Municipality of Grey Highlands re: accommodation review process review  
Northern & Eastern Ontario Rail Network re: rail service  
Grey County re: hydro inequity pricing between rural and urban  
Charlton and Dack re: election candidates requiring 25 signatures  
OCIF agreement  
Englehart & Area Recreation Committee re: thank-you for the use of the ballfield  
Ernie Hardeman re: local government week appreciation letter  
Ministry of Natural Resources re: Aggregate Resources Act proposed amendments  
The Municipal Elections Modernization Act info  
Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport re: Framework for Recreation in Canada  
What Does an Accessible Canada mean to you? In-person consultations  
Municipal Delegation Request Form re: ROMA  
Ministry of Energy re: review of ON Long-term Energy Plan  
Ernie Hardemen re: Bill 7 Affordable Housing Act Review

**Minutes/Committee Reports:**

Chamberlain Recreation Committee **\*\*Bazaar\*\*, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016, minutes**  
Joint Emergency Preparedness Committee **Annual Training Exercise Nov.16/16**  
Temiskaming Municipal Building Association **3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report**  
2016 Bridge and Culvert Inspections TSI Inc.  
Budget to Actual Report  
Workplace Harassment and Violence by-law  
Accessibility by-law updates/review

Reeve: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk-Treasurer/CAO: \_\_\_\_\_