

MINUTES
OF THE
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION
OF THE
COUNTY OF OXFORD

County Council Chamber
Woodstock
October 25, 2006

MEETING #25

Oxford County Council meets in regular session this twenty-fifth day of October 2006, in the Council Chamber, County Building, Woodstock.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

7:04 p.m., with Warden Woolcott in the chair.

All members of Council present.

Staff Present: K. J. Whiteford, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
M. R. Bragg, Director of Public Health and Emergency Services
L. S. Buchner, Director of Corporate Services
J. Kubiak, Corporate Manager of Human Resource
M. Misek-Evans, Corporate Manager of Community and Strategic Planning
A. C. Orvidas, Director of Social Services and Housing
R. G. Walton, Director of Public Works

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NO. 1:

Moved by: Sandra Talbot

Seconded by: Don McKay

That the Agenda and Additional Agenda be approved.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:

NIL

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Council Minutes of October 11, 2006

RESOLUTION NO. 2:

Moved by: Sandra Talbot
Seconded by: Don McKay

That the Council Minutes of October 11, 2006 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

RESOLUTION NO. 3:

Moved by: Sandra Talbot
Seconded by: Don McKay

That Council rise and go into a public meeting pursuant to Section 17(15) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for Official Plan Amendment for Application No. OP 11-132, and that the Warden chair the public meeting.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (7:07 p.m.)

1. Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 11-132
- TFGI (Ingersoll) Inc. – OP 11-132; ZON 6-06-4
for lands located in Part Lot 22, Concession 1 (West Oxford),
Part 1, Plan 41R-1920 (except Part 2 of 41R-1920), Part 1,
Plan 41R-348 (except Part 13, Plan 1905), Part of part 5,
Plan 41R-1570 (except Part 12, Plan 41R-1905), Town of
Ingersoll, from “Industrial (with Special Policies)”, “Residential”
and “Open Space” to “Service Commercial (with Special Policies)”
in order to allow for the development of a retail and service
commercial shopping area on the subject lands

The Warden asks M. Misek-Evans, Corporate Manager of Community and Strategic Planning, to outline the nature of this application. M. Misek-Evans explains that an application has been submitted in order to allow for the development of a retail and service commercial shopping area on lands fronting on the west side of Whiting Street in Ingersoll south of Wadsworth Drive. The applicant submitted four scenarios for the commercial development of this property ranging from 13,935 square metres (150,000 square feet) to 18,115.5 square metres (195,000 square feet) of gross leasable commercial floor space. Later correspondence submitted by the applicants' retail market consultant indicated however, that only scenarios three and four are actively being pursued.

The subject site is comprised of two existing parcels of land and a portion of a Town owned parcel to the south. The two existing parcels total approximately 5.8 hectares (14.3 acres) and are designated Industrial and Residential. An approximately 0.6 hectare (1.5 acres) portion of the Town owned parcel to the south is part of the proposed development and is currently designated as Open Space.

The applicant has submitted a market impact study, traffic impact study, a functional servicing plan and an environmental study in support of the proposal. With the exception of the functional servicing plan, all three studies have been peer reviewed.

M. Misek-Evans goes on to describe the three outstanding issues arising from the review of this application from the perspective of the Community and Strategic Planning Office. First of all, the peer review of the retail market study indicates that the proposed developments as envisaged by scenarios three and four are premature given the size of the Ingersoll market, the potential to recapture dollars leaving the community, and the anticipated impact on existing retailers in the Town. Secondly, comments received from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing indicate that additional information is required to support the 2005 Provincial Policy Statement requirements for a comprehensive review of the application. As an example, the Ministry is questioning whether the Town's already short supply of industrial land is being further eroded by the loss of the parcel of land

that is currently designated Industrial as part of this application. Thirdly, the outstanding concerns of the U.T.R.C.A. with respect to storm water management for the proposed development as well as encroachment onto the adjacent wetland features need to be addressed. For the above reasons, the Community and Strategic Planning Office is recommending a deferral of the application. This position is supported by the Town of Ingersoll's resolution which was adopted at their Council meeting on October 16th.

The Chair asks if there are any members of Council with questions for M. Misek-Evans. No questions are forthcoming. The Chair asks if there is anyone present wishing to speak in favour of the application.

Glenn Scheels comes forward to address Council. G. Scheels represents the GSP group who is working as a consultant on behalf of the applicants, TFGI (Ingersoll) Inc. G. Scheels indicates to Council that his client supports the recommendation for deferral. His client is quite agreeable to working with County staff to resolve the outstanding issues. His client is prepared to work on the size and scale of the proposal as well as the timing of development. With respect to the wetland issue, some further discussions with the U.T.C.R.A. are warranted. He reminds Council that the encroachment into the wetland only represents half an acre. On the matter of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing comments, G. Scheels believes that further discussions would be helpful to his client's cause.

The Chair asks if members of Council have any questions for G. Scheels. No questions are forthcoming.

The Chair asks if there is anyone in attendance wishing to speak in opposition to the application.

William Pol comes forward to address Council. W. Pol represents the IBI Group, and his clients in this matter are Southside Construction based in London. His clients are the present owners of 14 hectares (35 acres) northwest of the intersection of Highway 401 and Plank Line (Highway 19) in the southeast part of Ingersoll. His clients' lands are zoned and designated Service Commercial. The development of his clients' land would have no environmental impact in terms of wetlands or other environmental features. In the estimation of W. Pol, the Town has done sound planning to determine where their Service Commercial designation should be and this proposal by TFGI is going in a contrary direction. W. Pol concludes his comments by indicating that he would like to be notified of any decision by County Council on this matter so that his client is able to monitor the situation.

The Chair asks if members of Council have any questions for W. Pol. No questions are forthcoming.

Council is in receipt of a late agenda piece of correspondence from the law firm of Aird and Berlis from Toronto writing on behalf of Loblaw Properties Ltd. The solicitor from Aird and Berlis requested that the market peer review information prepared by the County be provided to his firm as soon as possible. The letter goes on to request notice of any further public meetings held with respect to this application as well as notice of Council decisions.

RESOLUTION NO. 4:

Moved by: Sandra Talbot

Seconded by: Don McKay

That Council adjourn the public meeting and reconvene as Oxford County Council with the Warden in the chair.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (7:16 p.m.)

C-1 2006-338

Re: Application for Official Plan Amendment and Zone Change
TFGI (Ingersoll) Inc. – OP 11-132; ZON 6-06-4

RESOLUTION NO. 5:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendations contained in Report No. C-1 2006-338, titled "Application for Official Plan Amendment and Zone Change - TFGI (Ingersoll) Inc. – OP 11-132; ZON 6-06-4", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendations Contained in Report No. C-1 2006-338:

That Oxford County Council hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 17(15) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for Official Plan Amendment for Application No. OP 11-132.

That Oxford County Council defer an application by TFGI (Ingersoll) Inc. to amend the County of Oxford Official Plan for lands located in Part Lot 22, Concession 1 (West Oxford), Part 1, Plan 41R-1920 (except Part 2 of 41R-1920), Part 1, Plan 41R-348 (except Part 13, Plan 1905), Part of part 5, Plan 41R-1570 (except Part 12, Plan 41R-1905), Town of Ingersoll, from "Industrial (with Special Policies)", "Residential" & "Open Space" to "Service Commercial (with Special Policies)" in order to allow for the development of a retail and service commercial shopping area on the subject lands.

RESOLUTION NO. 6:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That Council rise and go into a public meeting pursuant to Section 17(15) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for Official Plan Amendment for Application No. OP 11-122, and pursuant to Section 51(20) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for draft approval of a plan of subdivision, and that the Warden chair the public meeting.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (7:20 p.m.)

2. Application for Official Plan Amendment OP 11-122
- County Contracting of Wheatley Inc.
for lands described as Part Lot 19, Concession 1 (West Oxford),
Town of Ingersoll from "Medium Density Residential" to "Low
Density Residential" and amended "Open Space" in order to
permit the development of a residential plan of subdivision on
the subject property
Application for Draft Approval of a Residential Plan of Subdivision
- 32T-06001 – County Contracting of Wheatley Inc.
comprising Part Lot 19, Concession 1 (West Oxford) in the Town
of Ingersoll

The Chair asks M. Misek-Evans, Corporate Manager of Community and Strategic Planning, to outline the details of this application. M. Misek-Evans explains that there are actually two applications. One for an amendment to the County Official Plan to change the designation of the subject lands from "Medium Density Residential" to "Low Density Residential" and amended "Open Space" and a second one for an application for draft plan of subdivision to facilitate a development comprising 95 single detached lots, 12 street fronting townhouse blocks, a trail and a storm water management block. With respect to the plan of subdivision, two phases are proposed. Phase 1 essentially includes 51 single detached lots and 6 street fronting townhouse blocks whereas Phase 2 includes 44 single detached lots and 6 street fronting townhouse blocks. Phases 1 and 2 are part of a larger development proposed by the applicant, which includes 214 single detached lots, 46 street fronting townhouse units and a Medium Density Block. The applicant will continue to work on issues of concern with the balance of the proposal including the woodlot on the subject property as well as a planned

neighbourhood park. The development of the balance of the property will be considered at a future public meeting which has not yet been scheduled.

The applicant has also prepared an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) in support of the application to address potential impacts of Phases 1 and 2 on the Natural Heritage Feature (woodlot). Approximately nine proposed lots are within the 50 metre (164 feet) area adjacent to the woodlot within which an EIS is required. The Official Plan requires that development within or adjacent to a feature such as the woodlot has to have no negative impact on the proposed feature.

On the subject of the nine lots bordering the woodlot, M. Misek-Evans distributes an e-mail dated October 25, 2006, which contains the comments of a peer reviewer from the firm of Natural Resource Solutions Inc. in Waterloo on work done by Dave Hayman, from BioLogic located in London. More work still has to be done with respect to the peer review, but the October 25th e-mail does indicate that the steps taken already with respect to the EIS are positive and that the remaining issues can likely be resolved.

With respect to the Official Plan Amendment application, the requested revisions are to facilitate Low Density Residential development throughout Phases 1 and 2 of the proposed development. The applicant has also applied to move the trail which is part of both Phases 1 and 2 of the subdivision although it will continue to be designated Open Space.

On the subject of the Official Plan Amendment, the applicant is actually seeking a down designation of some of the subject lands, specifically the changes proposed from Medium Density to Low Density Residential. Based on the draft 2006 Vacant Land Study, the Town of Ingersoll has an oversupply of Medium Density units for the three-year, ten-year and twenty-year demand periods. The proposed re-designation of approximately 1.24 hectares (3 acres) of Medium Density Residential lands in Phases 1 and 2 will mean that the Town will still continue to have a substantial oversupply of Medium Density lands. For this reason, the amendment can be supported. However, an additional consideration with the redesignation of this area is the depth, area and configuration of the existing lots along Harris Street (County Road 119), which would remain in the Medium Density designation. The question has been raised whether there would be sufficient depth in the remaining designation to ensure the future development of these lands for Medium Density purposes. Planning staff take the position that the rear portions of Lots 87 – 91 inclusive should be reduced in depth to bring them to a similar depth as Lots 5 – 10 inclusive and Lots 85 and 86.

On the subject of the Official Plan designation to relocate the trail, it appears from the circulated correspondence that this relocation is supported by the Town.

The Planning Office takes the position, with respect to the plan of subdivision, that Council should defer the application. Additional information or a potential revision to the draft plan is required prior to draft plan approval. The deferral will allow the applicant more time to address the concerns raised in the peer review or to revise the plan of subdivision to remove the nine lots within the 50 metre (164 feet) area adjacent to the woodlot.

M. Misek-Evans notes that the Town of Ingersoll Council passed a resolution on October 16th recommending the approval of the modified Official Plan Amendment and recommending the deferral of the plan of subdivision. Town Council also requests that the draft plan of subdivision be brought back to Council in order to review how the applicant resolved the matter of the residential lots adjacent to the woodlot.

M. Misek-Evans also mentions that those in attendance at the public meeting held on these applications in Ingersoll would receive notification of any future public meetings. M. Misek-Evans concludes her presentation by indicating that the Official Plan changes recommended should be approved and the plan of subdivision should be deferred. This would mean that the controversial issues surrounding the woodlot will not be before County Council tonight.

The Chair asks if there are any questions to M. Misek-Evans from members of Council.

Councillor Holbrough asks whether the issues regarding the environmental matter, i.e. the woodlot, would be resolved by the November 6th Ingersoll Council meeting. M. Misek-Evans responds that she

is hopeful that will be the situation and that the Planning Office will be bringing back a report on November 6th to Town Council.

Councillor Talbot enquires as to how a sidewalk can be considered part of a trail. M. Misek-Evans explains that the issue of the trail has been left with the Town for a decision, but an "Open Space" designation for a small area of sidewalk is actually proposed. Councillor Talbot goes on to enquire whether this was the first time that a sidewalk had been designated for such a purpose in the County and the answer is yes.

Councillor Molnar enquires whether the Official Plan recommendation from the Planning Office is, in fact, conditional. M. Misek-Evans confirms this fact and the condition pertains to the change in the depth of some lots along the remaining Medium Density designation and the need for the line between the Medium and Low Density designations to be shifted.

Councillor Molnar goes on to enquire whether there is any relationship between issues that may rise in Phases 3 and 4 of the plan of subdivision's development that affect Phases 1 and 2, and the response is negative by M. Misek-Evans.

The Chair asks if there is anyone present wishing to speak in support of the application. William Pol, representing the IBI Group from London, and acting as planning consultants to the applicant comes forward to address Council. W. Pol begins by indicating his client's support of the Official Plan recommendation. There are however, two issues that he wishes to discuss with Council. He introduces Dave Hayman, who is the environmental consultant on this development, as well as Lisa Beckett who represents the applicant.

On the subject of the block of land near Harris Street, W. Pol appreciates the fact that the Planning Office is seeking a change in the depth of these lots, but he is concerned about these lands becoming landlocked and would like to discuss this matter further with Planning staff. On the second issue involving the nine lots in close proximity to the woodlot, W. Pol emphasizes that only two of the at risk Butternut trees within the confines of the plan boundary are identified as healthy and therefore subject to discussion about retention. This matter is more fully addressed in the Environmental Impact Study. W. Pol also emphasizes that there is to be no grade level change with the development of the nine lots, but he is satisfied that all of the environmental matters can be further discussed before the Town Council meeting on November 6th.

The Chair asks if any members of Council have questions for W. Pol.

Councillor Talbot enquires as to how close the excavation for lots will come to the trees that are to be retained. W. Pol explains that there will be a 7 metre (23 foot) separation from the excavation. The drip line of the trees has also been identified.

The Chair asks if there is anyone in attendance wishing to speak in opposition to the application.

Donna Sexsmith expresses her concern about the woodlot and whether County Contracting can, in fact, assure the residents in the area that there will be steps taken to preserve the woodlot. W. Pol responds that his client has talked to Council and is certainly looking at ways to maintain as much of the woodlot as possible. Unfortunately, the ownership of the woodlot is divided with the two school boards owning portions as well as his client. Any parkland dedication required by the Planning Act for the plan of subdivision will be focused on the preservation of the woodlot. Furthermore there may be some areas of storm water management that can be exchanged for woodlot preservation. W. Pol notes that hazardous trees have been removed from the woodlot and that, prior to this tree removal, the woodlot had not been maintained in a safe condition over the years.

M. Misek-Evans refers to the existing Official Plan schedule and explains that the rest of the woodlot could be the subject of redesignation as a result of the implementation of the recommendations contained in the Oxford County Natural Heritage Study which is to be considered by Council later tonight. D. Sexsmith asks whether the environmental studies will come into play, and the response is affirmative.

Councillor Holbrough expresses the view that Town Council has been quite consistent in trying to maintain and preserve the whole woodlot and they would like to see it in public ownership.

Councillor Talbot indicates that she toured the subject property with the applicant some time ago. She appreciates the forest cover is low in this area and wonders whether the Oxford County Natural Heritage Study could be applied to Phases 3 and 4 of the plan of subdivision and thereby preserve portions of the woodlot. M. Misek-Evans confirms that this situation could unfold.

Linda Dineen enquires about a roadway dead-ending into the woodlot which was originally shown on Phases 1 and 2 of the plan of subdivision. She wonders if the roadway has been eliminated. M. Misek-Evans responds indicating that the discussion of the two applications tonight has not abandoned any of the conditions talked about at the public meeting in Ingersoll and therefore the road stub being referred to does have to be removed. L. Dineen also asks what percentage of the lands in Oxford County are now forested and the response is approximately 12.5%.

John DeBruyn enquires as to whether County Contracting of Wheatley Inc. actually has acquired the subject lands. W. Pol responds indicating that acquisition occurred in June of 2005.

John DeBruyn also asks how long ago the designation of the trail as "Open Space" occurred. The response is in 2002. J. DeBruyn goes on to note that if the designation has been on the maps for that length of time and the information was not hidden, he cannot understand why County Contracting would not have realized what the situation was with respect to the trail and the woodlot.

W. Pol further comments on the trail issue noting that the trail needs to be developed in such a way that it can be watched and monitored for safety factors and secondly, it is important that the trail not be invisible. If the trail was at the back of the lots, there would be two systems of maintenance required whereas the location on the sidewalk is similar to the usual situation with sidewalk maintenance.

Cindy Sexsmith enquires as to why the proposals that are being put forth tonight were not originally presented to the public and the neighbours. W. Pol indicates that County Contracting was not the owner of the property at the time that the secondary plan for this general area occurred a few years ago. In his estimation, there are better ways to achieve the necessary linkages in the area. There are natural linkages happening today based on the ownership of the lands by the two school boards and it is important to change these informal linkages to formal ones.

Linda Dineen points out that there are inconsistencies on the arguments to change the woodlot trail. There is a need for consistency because walking on a sidewalk is not the same as walking on a trail.

RESOLUTION NO. 7:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That Council adjourn the public meeting and reconvene as Oxford County Council with the Warden in the chair.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (8:06 p.m.)

C-2 2006-339

Re: Official Plan Amendment and Draft Approval of a
Residential Plan of Subdivision – OP 11-122 and 32T-06001
County Contracting of Wheatley Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 8:

Moved by: Susan Hampson
Seconded by: Paul Holbrough

That the recommendations contained in Report No. C-2 2006-339, titled "Official Plan Amendment and Draft Approval of a Residential Plan of Subdivision – OP 11-122 and 32T-06001 – County Contracting of Wheatley Inc.", be adopted with the understanding that both applications are deferred.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendations Contained in Report No. C-2 2006-339:

That the County of Oxford hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 17(15) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for Official Plan amendment for Application No. OP 11-122; and

That County Council approve an application by County Contracting of Wheatley Inc. to amend the County of Oxford Official Plan for lands described as Part Lot 19, Concession 1 (West Oxford), Town of Ingersoll from "Medium Density Residential to "Low Density Residential" and amended "Open Space" in order to permit the development of a residential plan of subdivision on the subject property and that Council approve the attached Amendment No. 114 to the County of Oxford Official Plan and that the County raise the necessary implementing by-laws.

That Oxford County Council hold a public meeting pursuant to Section 51(20) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to consider an application for draft approval of a plan of subdivision; and

That Oxford County Council, defer the draft plan of subdivision submitted by County Contracting of Wheatley Inc. (File No. 32T-06001), prepared by Baker & Benedict Surveying Inc. dated September 6, 2006, shown as Plate 2 in Report No. 2006-339 and comprising Part Lot 19, Concession 1 (West Oxford) in the Town of Ingersoll, to permit the applicant time to reconcile outstanding issues associated with the proposed development adjacent to the designated woodlot feature.

6. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 9:

Moved by: Michael Harding
Seconded by: Don McKay

That Council rise and go into Committee of the Whole to consider the Oxford Natural Heritage Study.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (8:14 p.m.)

1. Councillor Michael Harding
Steering Committee Chair
Re: Oxford Natural Heritage Study – Final Report

RESOLUTION NO. 10:

Moved by: James Hayes
Seconded by: Don McKay

That Council, in Committee of the Whole, rise, report and reconvene as Oxford County Council.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (9:37 p.m.)

7. CONSIDERATION OF DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

C-3 2006-340

Re: Oxford Natural Heritage Study – Final Report

RESOLUTION NO. 11:

Moved by: James Hayes
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendations contained in Report No. C-3 2006-340, titled “Oxford Natural Heritage Study – Final Report”, be received with respect to the matters arising from the Study and that items # ii, # vi and # vii be endorsed, the remainder be deferred and that the remaining recommendations be distributed to the area municipalities for comment with the input of the Community and Strategic Planning Office and other resource staff working on the Oxford Natural Heritage Study.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendations Contained in Report No. C-3 2006-340:

That the County of Oxford adopt Report No. C-3 2006-340 and receive the appended final report of the Oxford Natural Heritage Study.

With respect to matters arising from the Study, it is recommended that County Council:

- i. Refer the request for an increase in base-line funding for the Clean Water Project from \$70,000 per annum to \$200,000 to the Department of Public Works for consideration in the 2007 budget deliberations;
- ii. Refer the request to investigate opportunities for property tax relief for property owners whose lands contain significant natural heritage features to the Department of Corporate Services for consideration in the 2007 budget deliberations;
- iii. Commit to the creation of an Oxford County Natural Heritage Advisory Committee commencing in 2007 to oversee the implementation of the Oxford County Natural Heritage Study recommendations, with said Committee reporting to County Council;
- iv. Refer the request for an additional full-time permanent staff member and resources to undertake and manage the implementation tasks of the Oxford Natural Heritage Study and act as a resource to the Oxford County Natural Heritage Advisory Committee to the Community and Strategic Planning Office for consideration in the 2007 budget deliberations;
- v. Authorize the Community and Strategic Planning Office to initiate an Official Plan amendment to designate identified and assessed features that meet one or more terrestrial criteria, with special consideration to the public notification and communication/information process associated with the amendment;
- vi. Refer the request to undertake a resource management plan for County-owned forests to the Department of Public Works for consideration in their 2008 business plan and budget;
- vii. Authorize the Community and Strategic Planning Office to present the findings of the Oxford Natural Heritage Study to the area municipalities and circulate the final report for their consideration, with special emphasis on those recommendations relating to inventory and assessment of smaller features not identified in the Oxford Study;
- viii. Refer the request to undertake a 5-year review of the Woodland Conservation By-law to the Department of Public Works and the Community and Strategic Planning Office for inclusion in their 2009 business plans;
- ix. Refer the request for specific identification of monitoring activities as a budget item beginning in 2008 and subsequent regular reporting of monitoring activities to the Conservation Authorities with jurisdiction in Oxford County;
- x. Refer the request to further explore opportunities for eco-tourism associated with natural heritage features to the County Tourism Specialist for inclusion in the 2007 business plan and budget deliberations.

At 9:58 p.m. Council recesses for a break.

At 10:09 p.m. Council resumes with Warden Woolcott in the chair.

All members of Council present except Deputy Warden Holbrough.

8. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Clynick, Clark, Davis and Elliott Families

October 16, 2006

Re: Request to Remove Trees Adjacent to Their Properties and County Parking Lot

RESOLUTION NO. 12:

Moved by: James Hayes

Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the correspondence from the Clynick, Clark, Davis and Elliott families, requesting that the County remove the trees adjacent to their properties and the County parking lot, be referred to the Public Works Department for the preparation of a report.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

9. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

A CORPORATE SERVICES

A-1 2006-54

Re: Conservation Authorities 2007 Budget Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 13:

Moved by: James Hayes

Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendation contained in Report No. A-1 2006-54, titled "Conservation Authorities 2007 Budget Recommendation", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. A-1 2006-54:

THAT Oxford County Council recommends that the members of the Board of Directors representing the County of Oxford for the following conservation authorities:

- Upper Thames River Conservation Authority;
- Grand River Conservation Authority;
- Long Point Region Conservation Authority; and
- Catfish Creek Conservation Authority;

be requested to support a 2007 levy requirement increase of not more than 3% of the 2006 levy requirement for the County of Oxford.

A-2 2006-56

Re: COIN Improvement Budget Request

RESOLUTION NO. 14:

Moved by: Michael Harding

Seconded by: James Hayes

That the recommendation contained in Report No. A-2 2006-56, titled "COIN Improvement Budget Request", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. A-2 2006-56:

THAT the request from the City of Woodstock to increase the funding approved as part of the County's 2006 budget for the purpose of installing a fibre COIN connection between City Engineering Department and Parkinson Road Fire Hall be approved with costs shared equally between the City and the County;

AND THAT the additional funds approved by the County be financed from the IT General Reserve.

A-3 2006-57

Re: Request to Use Library Reserve Funds

RESOLUTION NO. 15:

Moved by: Michael Harding

Seconded by: James Hayes

That the recommendation contained in Report No. A-3 2006-57, titled "Request to Use Library Reserve Funds", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. A-3 2006-57:

THAT County Council approve the recommendations of the Oxford County Library Board and the Municipal Council of the Township of Zorra to authorize library staff to spend up to \$1,000, plus taxes, of the Thamesford fundraising reserve fund on children's resources for use in the Thamesford branch.

B SOCIAL SERVICES AND HOUSING

B-1 2006-52

Re: Oxford County Accessibility Plan
Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005

RESOLUTION NO. 16:

Moved by: Don McKay

Seconded by: James Hayes

That the recommendation contained in Report No. B-1 2006-52, titled "Oxford County Accessibility Plan – Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. B-1 2006-52:

That Oxford County Council adopt the attached Accessibility Plan developed in accordance with the Accessibility For Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 for the period October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007.

B-2 2006-53

Re: City of London Acknowledgement Requirements Facility
Accessibility Design Standards

RESOLUTION NO. 17:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That the recommendation contained in Report No. B-2 2006-53, titled "City of London Acknowledgement Requirements Facility Accessibility Design Standards", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. B-2 2006-53:

That the C.A.O. and Warden be authorized to sign the attached acknowledgement form as requested by the City of London that authorizes the County of Oxford the use of its 2006 Facility Accessibility Design Standards and a By-law be raised to that effect.

B-3 2006-54

Re: Extension of Contracts – County of Oxford and the Alexandra Hospital, Ingersoll and Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital

RESOLUTION NO. 18:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That the recommendation contained in Report No. B-3 2006-54, titled "Extension of Contracts – County of Oxford and the Alexandra Hospital, Ingersoll and Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. B-3 2006-54:

That Oxford County Council approve a one-year extension to the contracts with Alexandra Hospital in Ingersoll and Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, Tillsonburg attached to Report #B-3 2006-54 and a By-law be raised to that effect.

C COMMUNITY AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

C-1 2006-338

Re: Application for Official plan Amendment and Zone Change
TFGI (Ingersoll) Inc. – OP 11-132; ZON 6-06-4

Report dealt with under Public Meetings.

C-2 2006-339

Re: Official Plan Amendment and Draft Approval of a
Residential Plan of Subdivision – OP 11-122 and 32T-06001
County Contracting of Wheatley Inc.

Report dealt with under Public Meetings.

C-3 2006-340

Re: Oxford Natural Heritage Study – Final Report

Report dealt with under Consideration of Delegations and Presentations.

D PUBLIC WORKS

D-1 2006-89

Re: Winter Maintenance

RESOLUTION NO. 19:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Susan Hampson

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-1 2006-89, titled "Winter Maintenance", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-1 2006-89:

1. That County Council adopt the hours of winter road maintenance as shown in Attachment No. 1 of Report D-1 2006-89 and declare the period of November 14, 2006 to April 13, 2007 as the "Winter Highway Maintenance" period; and
2. That the Level of Service (LOS) policy be circulated to the Oxford Community Police Service and the Ontario Provincial Police.

D-2 2006-90

Re: Parts of County Road 51 (Tillsonburg) Improvements
Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA)

RESOLUTION NO. 20:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-2 2006-90, titled "Parts of County Road 51 (Tillsonburg) Improvements – Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA)", be adopted with the addition of a part 3 to the recommendation to read as follows:

3. That a review of traffic signals at the intersection of Goshen and Simcoe Streets be incorporated into the Public Works 2007 Business Plan review for inclusion in 2008, that the aspect of alternative transportation corridors near the study area that act as entranceways to the Town be introduced for review in the County Transportation Study in 2007 and that the tendering process for the reconstruction of County Road 51 include an option for a 2 year construction schedule.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-2 2006-90:

1. That County Council accept the Environmental Study Report (ESR) for improvements to parts of County Road 51, prepared by Cyril J. Demeyere Ltd., dated August 2006; and
2. That the notification regarding the completion of the study be circulated as required by the Class Environmental Assessment process with a thirty-day comment period ending on December 4, 2006.

D-3 2006-91

Re: Selective Harvesting of Trees from the Hall Tract

RESOLUTION NO. 21:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-3 2006-91, titled "Selective Harvesting of Trees from the Hall Tract", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-3 2006-91:

That County Council award a contract to Ontario Thinning Specialist to selectively harvest trees from the Hall Tract, located at Lot 13, Concession 9 in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

D-4 2006-92
Re: Detailed Design – County Roads 2, 4, and 35 Improvements

RESOLUTION NO. 22:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-4 2006-92, titled “Detailed Design – County Roads 2, 4, and 35 Improvements”, be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-4 2006-92:

That County Council appoint McCormick Rankin Corporation (MRC) as the consulting engineer to undertake the detailed design and contract administration for improvements to parts of County Roads 2, 4 and 35 in the City of Woodstock and the Township of Norwich, for a fee of \$489,395 plus applicable taxes.

D-5 2006-95
Re: Princeton Water Servicing Study
Class Environmental Assessment
Community Petition for Sanitary Sewage Study

RESOLUTION NO. 23:

Moved by: Don McKay
Seconded by: Michael Harding

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-5 2006-95, titled “Princeton Water Servicing Study – Class Environmental Assessment – Community Petition for Sanitary Sewage Study”, be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. D-5 2006-95:

That County Council receive Public Works Report D-5 2006-95 as information and that staff be directed to forward the report to the representatives of the Princeton community that presented the petition.

E HUMAN RESOURCES

NIL

F C.A.O./CLERK

NIL

G PUBLIC HEALTH AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

G-1 2006-23
Re: 2006 Influenza Immunization Campaign

RESOLUTION NO. 24:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That the recommendation contained in Report No. G-1 2006-23, titled "2006 Influenza Immunization Campaign", be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Recommendation Contained in Report No. G-1 2006-23:

That County Council accepts Report No. G-1 2006-23 regarding the 2006 Influenza Immunization Campaign as information.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NIL

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS:

NIL

12. NEW BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES/COMMENTS:

Councillor Harding extends thanks to T. Orvidas, Director of Social Services and Housing, and P. Beaton, Manager of Social Services and Housing, for the work they did in seeking the approvals of the appropriate senior levels of government for three significant social housing projects in the County. The announcement of the approvals occurred in the past week. Councillor Harding goes on to state that there will be an announcement in the next day or two concerning affordable housing targeted to brownfield sites. This new program will potentially allow another property in the City of Woodstock, on Mill Street, to be developed with the assistance of provincial and federal funding.

Councillor Semeniuk refers to a letter that the Township of Zorra sent to the County, dated September 8th, in response to the County's request for comments on proposals for waste collection. Councillor Semeniuk expresses his concern that no response has been received to this letter which set forth a series of questions that the Township Council wanted answered before taking an official position on a response to the County.

In reply, the C.A.O./Clerk notes that there had been a more recent letter (October 18th) from the Township of Zorra addressed to the Warden from Councillor Semeniuk which also listed a series of questions that the Township wanted a reply to. The C.A.O./Clerk suggests that it is this letter that the focus of attention should be on since it asks questions on the most recent proposal as opposed to a previous proposal which was the subject of the September letter. Warden Woolcott indicates that every attempt would be made to respond to the most recent letter on the part of the County as soon as possible.

Councillor McKay mentions to Council that he participated in a bus tour as part of the Community Transition Program on October 20th. This program has been distributing monies from a 15 million dollar fund to projects in the tobacco area, including Oxford County, over the past several months. Councillor McKay indicates that he could provide further information to other members of Council upon request.

Warden Woolcott updates Council on his recent activities. He points out that there is an event occurring on Friday, October 27th pertaining to domestic assault where Minister Papatello will be present. He encourages members of Council to attend. He also mentions the memorial to Sandra Schott which is occurring on October 26th. Sandra Schott is a former employee of the County of Oxford and worked at Woodingford – Ingersoll. Sandra Schott's passing will also be recognized at the domestic assault event on Friday.

Warden Woolcott reminds Councillors about the ground breaking ceremony for the new County Administration Building occurring at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 28th on the building site. He also reminds Council that the Norwich Library and Children's Centre will have its grand opening between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 28th as well. Finally, he points out that there will be a fundraiser for the Norwich Library as well as the Community Centre in Norwich on Friday, November 10th, which is an attempt to conclude the fundraising activities in Norwich which have spanned approximately two years. The Warden also reminds Council of the County Christmas Party to be held on the evening of December 2nd.

Warden Woolcott extends best wishes to all members of Council in their current campaigns for re-election leading up to the municipal election on November 13th.

13. CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLUTION NO. 25:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That Council rise and go into a Closed session for the purpose of considering Reports No. A-1 (CS) 2006-52, deferred from the October 11, 2006 meeting, No. A-1 (CS) 2006-55, No. D-1 (CS) 2006-93, No. D-2 (CS) 2006-94, No. D-3 (CS) 2006-96, No. F-1 (CS) 2006-38 and No. F-2 (CS) 2006-39 regarding matters that have not been made public concerning potential litigation and litigation, personal matters about identifiable individuals, property matters, and labour relations.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (10:58 p.m.)

RESOLUTION NO. 26:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That Council rise and reconvene in Open session.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried (11:24 p.m.)

14. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CLOSED SESSION:

A CORPORATE SERVICES

A-1 (CS) 2006-52

RESOLUTION NO. 27:

Moved by: Stephen Molnar
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That the recommendation contained in Report No. A-1 (CS) 2006-52, deferred from the October 11, 2006 meeting, be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

A-1 (CS) 2006-55

RESOLUTION NO. 28:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the recommendation contained in Report No. A-1 (CS) 2006-55 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

D PUBLIC WORKS

D-1 (CS) 2006-93

RESOLUTION NO. 29:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-1 (CS) 2006-93 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

D-2 (CS) 2006-94

RESOLUTION NO. 30:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-2 (CS) 2006-94 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

D-3 (CS) 2006-96

RESOLUTION NO. 31:

Moved by: Dave Nadalin
Seconded by: William Semeniuk

That the recommendation contained in Report No. D-3 (CS) 2006-96 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

F C.A.O./CLERK

F-1 (CS) 2006-38

RESOLUTION NO. 32:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That the recommendation contained in Report No. F-1 (CS) 2006-38 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

F-2 (CS) 2006-39

RESOLUTION NO. 33:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That the recommendation contained in Report No. F-2 (CS) 2006-39 be adopted.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

15. BY-LAWS:

BY-LAW NO. 4750-2006

Being a By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to sign a Service Manager Administration Agreement under the Canada-Ontario New Affordable Housing Program with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

RESOLUTION NO. 34:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That the following By-law be now read a first and second time: No. 4750-2006.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 35:

Moved by: William Semeniuk
Seconded by: Dave Nadalin

That the following By-law be now given third and final reading: No. 4750-2006.

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Council adjourns its proceedings until the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 8, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

11:28 p.m.

Minutes adopted on November 8, 2006 by Resolution No. 2

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