

CORPORATION OF TOWNSHIP OF ADMASTON/BROMLEY

FIRST MONTHLY MEETING

Council met for their first monthly meeting at the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday, January 4th, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael Donohue Deputy Mayor Robert Dick and Councillors Bob Hall Mike Quilty and Kevin LeGris.

Staff members present were Clerk-Treasurer Annette Gilchrist and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Mitchell Ferguson and from the media was Bruce McIntyre from the Eganville Leader.

Mayor Michael Donohue called the meeting to order followed with a moment of silence.

Resolution No. 01/01/18

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the agenda as presented this date.

“Carried”

The minutes of the regular Council meeting which was held December 21st, 2017 and the Public Planning meeting which was held December 21st, 2017 were provided to Council for approval and the following resolutions were passed:

Resolution No. 02/01/18

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the minutes of the Public Planning meeting held on December 21st 2017.

“Carried”

Resolution No. 03/01/18

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on December 21st, 2017.

“Carried”

Mayor Michael Donohue read a letter of resignation from Pete D’Andrea and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 04/01/18

Moved by Mike Quilty, seconded by Robert Dick

Be it resolved that Council accept the resignation of Pete D’Andrea, Community Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township of Admaston/Bromley.

“Carried”

Planning and Economic Development Committee - Chair Bob Hall,
Committee Member Kevin LeGris

The OMB review of the Passing of Bill 139, Building Better Communities & Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 was reviewed by Council and accepted as information.

The request for support from Too Far Too Fast Cannabis Campaign was reviewed by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 05/01/18

Moved by: Bob Hall, seconded by Kevin LeGris

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley accept the request for support from too far too fast Canada as information and refer this issue to the Budget Finance and Human Resources Committee for further review.

“Carried”

Community Service Committee Chair Kevin LeGris, Committee Member Bob Hall

The request to appoint a member to the Standing Advisory Committee regarding the Bonnechere River Water Management Plan was reviewed by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 06/01/18

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

Be it resolved that Council directs staff to add Mayor Michael Donohue as the Township representative for the Standing Advisory Committee of the Bonnechere River Water Management Plan to the annual appointment By-Law to be reviewed at the January 18th meeting.

“Carried”

The Minutes from the November 21st, 2017 meeting of the Admaston/Bromley Public Library Board and December 2017 Treasurers and Librarians Report were reviewed by Council and accepted as information.

Budget and Finance and Human Resources - Chair Michael Donohue, Committee Member - All of Council

The request for support from the Golden Age Activity Centre was considered by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 07/01/18

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley hereby declares support for the Golden Age Activity Centre and agrees that a financial contribution of \$500.00 and in kind contribution of \$200.00 will be made to the Centre in 2018.

“Carried”

The 2016-2018 Assessment Summary by Property Class for the Township of Admaston/Bromley was reviewed by Council and accepted as information.

Protective Services – Chair Mike Quilty, Committee Member Robert Dick

A report on Bill 160, Strengthening Quality and Accountability for Patients Act, 2017 including the recommendations from the Fire Committee was reviewed by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 08/01/18

Moved by Robert Dick, seconded by Mike Quilty

WHEREAS Bill 160, Strengthening Quality and Accountability for Patients Act received Royal Assent on December 12th, 2017; and

WHEREAS Bill 160 proposes a pilot project to trial a Fire-Medic model where cross-trained firefighters would be able to perform certain paramedic skills and therefore respond to certain calls not currently tiered to fire departments; and

WHEREAS this implementation of a pilot project could precipitate arbitrators forcing the Fire-Medic model on other fire departments across the Province with significant potential financial impact to municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Admaston/Bromley is not a willing participant in any pilot project to trial a Fire-Medic model;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley hereby requests that the Province amend the Fire Protection and Prevention Act 1997 in the following manner:

Duty of board

Section 50.5(2.1) In making a decision, the board of arbitration shall not expand the work jurisdiction of the firefighters to include duties and responsibilities of a “paramedic”, as defined in section 1(1) of the Ambulance Act beyond those paramedic duties and responsibilities which are currently performed by firefighters, Acting as firefighters, for the employer.

AND FURTHER that the Province amend the Ambulance Services Collective Bargaining Act 2001 in the following manner:

Criteria

Section 21(2.1) In making a decision, the arbitrator shall not expand the work jurisdiction of the ambulance workers to include duties and responsibilities of a “firefighter”, as defined in section 1(1) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act 1997 beyond those firefighter duties and responsibilities which are currently performed by ambulance workers., Acting as ambulance workers, for the employer.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, Honorable Marie-France Lalonde, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Mr. John Yakabuski, MPP (Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

“Carried”

County of Renfrew

A request for support from the Renfrew County and District Board of Health was considered by Council and the following resolution was passed:

Resolution No. 09/01/18

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care released the report of the Minister’s Expert Panel on Public Health: “Public Health within an Integrated Health System” on July 20th 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Council for the Township of Admaston/Bromley has significant concerns regarding the recommendations of the Expert Panel to integrate a population or upstream health approach into local planning and service delivery or downstream health care; and

WHEREAS, there is an apparent lack of empirical evidence base upon which the recommendations are founded; and

WHEREAS, the current mandate of public health to prevent disease, protect, and promote health should remain unchanged; and

WHEREAS, public health must remain distinct from acute care health services and Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) in terms of role, funding, governance, and accountability in order for public health to focus on a more upstream approach, the causes of poor health or the social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, the important linkages with local communities for programming, understanding local needs, and leveraging these partnerships will be undermined; and

WHEREAS, regionalization of public health units with centralized decision-making will have significant negative consequences for local public health and municipalities, including:

- Less municipal representation (400 Board of Health members reduced to approximately 180) and loss of local voice in governing and directing public health programs and services to understand and meet the needs of our communities;
- Substantial delays in responding to local program and service needs especially during emergencies;
- Adding another layer of bureaucracy resulting in increased costs and inefficiencies;
- Governance structure will not be flexible enough to meet/adjust/respond to local needs and negatively impact vulnerable priority populations;
- Potential loss of important local services fundamental to day-to-day public health unit operations and efficiencies (i.e., corporate services, finance, planning and evaluation, communications, information technology, etc.);
- Key positions (chair, vice-chair, finance, etc.) on regional boards of health should not be appointed through Orders in Council to avoid political influence/interference; and

WHEREAS, current cost-shared provincial/municipal funding formula (75%-25%) will not support the implementation of the proposed recommendations; and

WHEREAS, LHIN boundaries should be reconfigured to align with municipal, local public health, education, and social service boundaries to support their relationships with local public health and population health and health care system planning; and

WHEREAS public health cannot be integrated into the health care system without the significant system disruption, enormous cost, and risk of eroding community valued Public Health programs and services that would result with implementation of the Expert Panel's recommendations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Admaston/Bromley does not support the recommendations of the Expert Panel and is in agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) urging Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, not to adopt them.

“Carried”

Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution No. 10/01/18

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

That By-Law No. 2018-01, being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the Township of Admaston/Bromley at the meeting held January 4th, 2018 be now numbered, deemed read three times and passed.

“Carried”

Resolution No. 11/01/18

Moved by Kevin LeGris, seconded by Bob Hall

BE IT RESOLVED that the Thursday January 4th, 2018 Admaston/Bromley Council meeting be adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

“Carried”

Mayor

Clerk/ Treasurer