

The Corporation of the Township of Brock
Municipal Administration Building
Protection to Persons and Property Committee

Session Eight

Monday, October 24, 2016

The Eighth Meeting of the Protection to Persons and Property Committee of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, October 24, 2016, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present: Mayor: John Grant
Regional Councillor: W.E. Ted Smith
Councillors: Gord Lodwick
Cyndi Schaffer
Mike Parliament
Therese Miller
Lynn Campbell

Staff Members present: CAO & Municipal Clerk Thomas G. Gettinby
(recording the minutes)
Deputy Clerk Becky Jamieson
Clerk's Assistant Deena Hunt
Fire Chief Rick Harrison
Deputy Fire Chief Wayne Ward

I. Call to Order

Chair Therese Miller called the meeting to order at 11:24 a.m.

II. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – N I L

III. Confirmation of Minutes – 7th meeting – September 26, 2016

Resolution No. 1-8

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that the minutes of the 7th meeting of the Protection to Persons and Property Committee as held on September 26, 2016, be adopted as typed and circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

IV. Communications Referred or Submitted to Committee

Referred from Oct 3/16 Council

1737 Township of Brock – Media Release – September 21, 2016 – 2016 Durham Region Accessibility Award

1755 CN – Transport Canada's New Grade Crossing Regulations and Standards

Referred from Oct 17/16 Council

1824 Joseph Bonura – Report: 2016-PP-05 – Building Department – 3rd Quarterly Report 2016

Referred Directly

1900 Rick Harrison – Report: 2016-PP-07, 2016 Fire Department Summary Report – January 1st to September 30th

Resolution No. 2-8

MOVED BY John Grant that communication nos. 1737, 1755, 1824, and 1900 be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

1828 R. Wayne Ward – Report: 2016-PP-06 – Fire Hazard Rating Signage

The Deputy Fire Chief advised that six gateway sign locations have been identified for additional signage tabs to provide residents and visitors the conditions for burning in the Township. He advised that staff will update the signs when conditions change.

Regional Councillor Smith enquired as to the reason for not locating signs on Highway 12 to which the Deputy Fire Chief advised that MTO would be required to approve the placement which can be an involved and expensive process. The CAO & Municipal Clerk advised that this report is in response to the request by the Committee to provide signage for a nominal fee and that staff could investigate the cost for signage on Highway 12 at a later date.

Councillor Schaffer expressed appreciation for the report and enquired as to Mara Road being excluded from signage to which the Deputy Fire Chief advised that, upon staff review of various locations, posting the signs at each entrance to the municipality would be the most effective.

Mayor Grant expressed appreciation for the report and advised that these signs would be a useful addition to the current website information and he supports the report.

Councillor Lodwick enquired as to the procedure for changing the signs to which the Fire Chief advised that updates will be made by staff and firefighters.

Regional Councillor Smith enquired whether many incidents this summer resulted in the use of fire trucks to which the Fire Chief advised a few, but most were resolved by staff.

Chair/Councillor Miller expressed appreciation for the report and enquired whether the Township posts burn bans based on the recommendations of the Canadian Wildland Fire Information Systems to which the Deputy Fire Chief advised that the website is used as a guideline in the decision.

Resolution No. 3-8

MOVED BY Cyndi Schaffer that the Committee receive report 1828 and that signage tabs be purchased for 6 locations as noted.

MOTION CARRIED**V. Reports of Subcommittees – N I L****VI. General Items and Enquiries**

(1) Councillor Cyndi Schaffer

Councillor Schaffer enquired whether the burn permit brochure is included within the tax bill to ensure seasonal residents and renters receive the information to which the CAO & Municipal Clerk advised that the tax bill insert includes the fire regulations with links to the Township website and that there is no certainty that renters would receive the information as tax bills are sent to the owners address. He advised that the additional sign tabs on the community gateway signs are part of the strategy for notification of the fire conditions for all residents and visitors.

(2) Mayor John Grant

Mayor Grant requested an update with respect to the fuel spill on Simcoe Street to which the Fire Chief advised that the road remains closed, backfill will continue to arrive throughout the weekend to replace contaminated soil, some fire equipment will need replacing due to contamination, and that the road may be open by Wednesday evening.

Mayor Grant enquired as to any road damage and was advised none.

Regional Councillor Smith enquired as to the length of time the firefighters were on site to which the Fire Chief advised 8:15 p.m. on Friday to 9:30 a.m. Saturday and again on Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a total of 18 hours.

(3) Councillor Lynn Campbell

Councillor Campbell expressed appreciation to the firefighters for their efforts with the fuel spill and enquired as to the condition of Sunderland's rescue van to which the Fire Chief advised that there is some rusting that will be monitored.

(4) Chair/Councillor Therese Miller

Chair/Councillor Miller, with respect to communication 1900, enquired whether vehicle collisions are separate from vehicle extrication within the incident report and was advised in the affirmative. She enquired as to the significant increase in revenue reflected in the treasury report to which the Fire Chief advised it would include the sale of the tanker, reimbursement for collisions on Highways 7, 12, and 48, as well as any non-resident collisions. She enquired whether there would be revenue for the Cannington fuel spill and was advised that it would be pursued.

Chair/Councillor Miller requested an update with respect to the use of jaws for the extrication at the Cannington fuel spill to which the Fire Chief advised that, in dealing with a fuel spill, care must be used to avoid any sparks due to the use of the equipment and that, over time, more battery powered equipment will be purchased.

(5) Deputy Clerk

The Deputy Clerk advised that BAAC will be inviting Council members to a Durham Region Transit travel training day in late November that will be approximately 3 hours in length to review the north Durham loop.

(6) Fire Chief

The Fire Chief advised that, in preparation for the April 2017 post traumatic stress program deadline, training of staff and Captains is under way.

(7) Public Questions and Clarification

There were no public questions for clarification.

VII. Adjournment

Resolution No. 4-8

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that we do now adjourn at 11:54 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY