

MINUTES
Special Meeting
June 10, 2016
10:00 a.m.

Present:
Reeve: Rodney Wood
Councillors: Pat Garside
Dianne Holt
Dave Leask
Road Superintendent: Lyn Garside
Clerk Treasurer: Valerie Obarymskyj

Absent:

Robert Jerrard

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

This Special Meeting was called to discuss plans for the firehall on W Line so that engineered drawings could be drawn up in preparation for 2017 construction. Additional items for discussion included a response from the auditor in terms of how funding the property should be shown in the 2016 budget and a recent request to contribute to an upgrade on the communication tower in Jocelyn.

Following the on-site inspection of the property last month, Council determined that a two acre parcel fronting W Line would be adequate for the firehall, well, septic and parking lot area. The building to be constructed will be 40' x 60' to provide adequate space to house a new tanker truck and rapid attack vehicle and accommodate area in the back for other township equipment. It was decided to obtain pricing for infloor heating. Area for a washroom will be at the back and built to accessibility standards.

The Clerk advised that contrary to how the 2016 budget had been presented in terms of funding the W Line property, the auditor recommended the portion to be covered by the Parks Reserve Fund should be included under 2016 Revenue despite the funds not being accessible until August 2017. A revised budget will be presented to Council at the June 15, 2016 council meeting. The change will not have any impact on the amount to be raised through taxation. In terms of determining a value for the 95 acres allocated for parks and recreation use, the auditor noted as long as a methodology could be shown and supported, a formal appraisal would not be required. The Clerk provided per acre values for similar properties which fronted on to Highway 548 and it was determined a value of \$2,500 per acre would be appropriate for each of the two acres to be designated for the firehall. This \$5,000 will be funded by the Working Capital Reserve. The purchase price of \$70,000 less the \$5,000 attributable to the firehall will leave a balance of \$65,000 for the remaining 95 acres to be funded by the Parks Reserve Fund.

Fire Chief Lyndon Garside advised Council that a request had just been received from St. Joseph Township Fire Department to contribute a one-third share of an estimated \$8,400 cost of a new repeater on the tower in Jocelyn. Chief Garside noted that both the fire department budget and municipal budget had already been approved without including this expense. The value of investing more money into a radio/pager system that continued to pose problems in terms of fire call notifications was questioned. Council determined this was a decision that should be made by the Fire Board and budgets would need to be amended if a decision was made to participate.

Moved by Dianne Holt 2016-82
Seconded by Pat Garside
Resolved that we do pass By-Law No. 1161-16 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of this meeting.
Carried

Moved by Dave Leask 2016-83
Seconded by Dianne Holt
Resolved that we do adjourn at 12:32 p.m., Council to meet again at the Hilton Township Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 or at the call of the Reeve. *Carried*

Reeve, Rodney Wood

Valerie Obarymskyj, Clerk Treasurer
