



Minutes of Special Council Meeting  
December 8, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.  
Stanley Tourangeau Fire/Police Services Centre  
67 Meehan Street, Arnprior, Ontario

Present:

Mayor Terry Gibeau  
Reeve Walter Stack  
Councillor Nancy, F. Black  
Councillor Mark Willmer  
Councillor W.J. (Jack) Lammert  
Councillor Tom Peckett  
Councillor Eric Burton

Also Present:

Larry Donaldson, CAO  
David Pollard, Treasurer

Also Present: Maureen Spratt, Deputy Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gibeau called Meeting of Council to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 634-09

Moved by Mark Willmer  
Seconded by Eric Burton

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the Special Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, December 8, 2009 be adopted, as duplicated and circulated.

Resolution CARRIED

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

4. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

a) Status of the Town's Contract for Policing Services with the OPP

Mayor Gibeau welcomed Members of the Public in attendance for the Special Meeting of Council, the purpose of which is to provide an update on the status of the Town's contract for policing services with the OPP. Mayor Gibeau explained the process began in February of 2005, with negotiations ongoing until the present time. Mayor Gibeau assured members of the public that there has never been a dissatisfaction of policing service provided by the OPP, the only issue that Council and staff has grappled with has been that the OPP has provided no statistical proof, based on workload requirements, to justify an increase in staffing at the Arnprior detachment.

The CAO introduced himself and the Treasurer, and provided a chronological history and evolution of the contract for policing services since 1985 when the municipality disbanded its municipal police force.

The Treasurer briefly noted that when the OPP speaks of a new costing formula, it relates to how they charge out overhead, what it does not include is the actual calculation on service levels and staffing requirements.

The CAO highlighted the budgeted figures in comparison to the full time employees, and the savings that the town has achieved in not signing a contract with the OPP. The CAO further noted that at the most recent meeting with the OPP in October the municipality was advised that regardless of whether or not the town signed a contract the OPP would be adding two full time employees to the Arnprior complement.

Mayor Gibeau noted the negotiating committee comprised of himself, Councillors Lammert and Peckett, and staff have left no stone unturned, the Town has investigated all possibilities for policing services including; reinstating a municipal police force, partnering with neighboring municipalities, ongoing negotiations with the OPP and a face to face meeting with the Honorable Monte Kwinter, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services.

Members of Council and the Public briefly provided their views on policing service, with a consensus that remaining at a 5.1 status with the Ontario Provincial Police provides the most economical savings, the flexibility to negotiate and the excellent protective services for the residents of the Town of Arnprior, following which Councillor Willmer put forward the following:

Resolution No. 635-09

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by W.J. Lammert

That the Town of Arnprior thank the OPP, for the excellent service that they have provided to the town; and

WHEREAS the town wishes to retain this standard of excellence, be it resolved that the town remain a non-contract 5.1 municipality until further notice; and

FURTHER THAT the CAO forward a memorandum to advise the OPP of council's

decision before the end of the year.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 636-09

Moved by Mark Willmer

Seconded by W.J. Lammert

That the Town of Arnprior does not endorse plans for a municipal police force at this time; and

FURTHER THAT the CAO will advise MPM Consulting of council's decision and thank them for the advice and assistance that they provided.

Resolution CARRIED

5. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution No. 637-09

Moved by Nancy F. Black

Seconded by Tom Peckett

BE IT RESOLVED THAT That By-Law No. 5811-09, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Special Meeting of Council held on the 8th day of December, 2009 be enacted and passed.

Resolution CARRIED

6. ADJOURNMENT

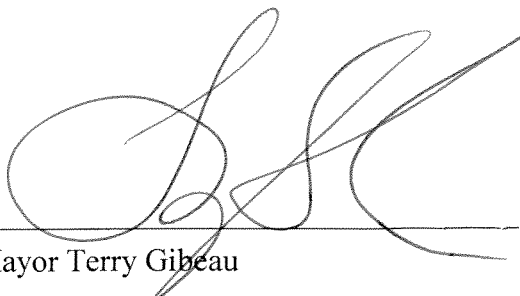
Resolution No.638-09

Moved by Walter Stack

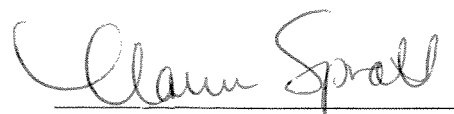
Seconded by Mark Willmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of Council be ajourned at 8:28 p.m.

Resolution CARRIED



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Mayor Terry Gibeau



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Maureen Spratt, Deputy Clerk