



GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

The Committee met at 3:00 p.m. in the Sutton Room, 55 Zina Street, Orangeville

Members Present: Warden Darren White
Councillor Guy Gardhouse
Councillor Andy Macintosh
Councillor Wade Mills

Members Absent: Councillor John Creelman (prior notice)

Staff Present: Pam Hillock, Clerk/Director of Corporate Services
Alan Selby, Treasurer
Peter Routledge, IT Manager
Michelle Dunne, Deputy Clerk
Steve Murphy, CEMC/Accessibility Coordinator

Warden White called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

DELEGATIONS

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #1
Dufferin Federation of Agriculture

A delegation from Mr. Bill McCutcheon & Mr. Ben Lefort, Dufferin Federation of Agriculture, regarding adjustment to Farm Land Tax Ratio. Mr. Lefort spoke about the MPAC Farm Assessments and the shifting Farm Tax burden. In Dufferin,

Farmland MPAC Assessed values have increased by 66% for the period of 2016-2020. They asked if Committee would consider a similar adjustment for 2020 tax rate that was done in 2019.

Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT staff report back to the November Committee meeting with an analysis of the implications of changing the Farm Tax ratio.

-Carried-

2. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #2
Interoperable Radio Communications

Mr. Kevin McNeilly, Fire Chief, Grand Valley & District Fire Department and Mr. Brad Lemaich, Fire Chief, Shelburne & District Fire Department, addressed Committee on the Interoperable Radio Communications.

Mr. McNeilly addressed the Committee to clarify that this request is not a fire service request. It was put together as interoperability within the county to support all emergency management services agencies and sub groups. He questioned the suggested figures in the consultant's report. In 2016, the vendors he spoke with quoted \$127,000. The recommendation in the report talked about percentages and compromise, but Mr. McNeilly noted that they are requesting the full amount or it will not happen.

Mr. Lemaich noted that the lower tiers have already purchased repeater equipment beyond their needs to assist with the project.

REPORTS

3. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #3
Interoperable Radio Communications – County Wide

A report from the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated October 24, 2019, to recommend the next steps in the implementation of a County-wide interoperable radio communication solution.

Mr. Alan Dingle of Wavestar Networks provided the Committee with an overview of his findings regarding radio networks in Dufferin County.

Moved by Councillor Macintosh, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the report of the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated October 24, 2019, regarding the emergency management interoperable radio system be deferred to the November Committee meeting so that staff can obtain current suggested pricing for each of the options.

-Carried-

4. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #4
Integrity Commissioner Policy

A report from the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated October 24, 2019, to seek authorization to approve a policy on an inquiry protocol with the County Integrity Commissioner.

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Macintosh

THAT the report of the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated October 24, 2019, regarding Policy #01-02-12 for Integrity Commissioner Inquiry Protocol, be received;

AND THAT the attached policy be approved.

-Carried-

5. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #5
Memorandum of Understanding for IT Support – Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex Board

A report from the Treasurer, dated October 24, 2019, to seek approval to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex Board to assist the organization in providing information technology support.

Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report from the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated October 24, 2019, regarding Memorandum of Understanding for IT Support – CRDC Board, be received;

AND THAT the County Clerk and Warden be authorized to execute a mutually agreed upon Memorandum of Understanding with the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex Board for the provision of IT Services.

-Carried-

- 6. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #6**
Financial Report

A report from the Treasurer, dated October 24, 2019, to provide Committee with a monthly financial summary.

Moved by Councillor Macintosh, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the Financial Report for the month of September 2019 from the Treasurer, dated October 24, 2019, be received.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

- 7. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES – October 24, 2019 – ITEM #7**
Office of the Premier

Correspondence from the Office of the Premier, dated October 17, 2019, regarding an investment of \$765 Million to build new public safety radio network. The Ontario government announced that it has reached an agreement with Bell Mobility to update the Public Safety Radio Network (PSRN), the communications network supporting frontline and emergency responders across the province.

Moved by Councillor Macintosh, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the correspondence from the Office of the Premier, dated October 17, 2019, regarding an investment of \$765 Million to build new public safety radio network, be received;

AND THAT the Warden meet with the MPP to discuss the announcement and how it may affect Dufferin County.

-Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 28, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.
55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room (2nd Floor)

Respectfully submitted,

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Warden Darren White, Acting Chair
General Government Services Committee