

The Council of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock met in the Council Chambers of the Hickson Municipal Office, Hickson, Ontario at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2010.

Members present: Deputy Mayor Maureen RALPH and Councillors Clive LAWRY, Don MACDONALD, Jeremy SMITH and Betty YEOMAN.

Members absent: Mayor Don MCKAY and Councillor Dave OLIPHANT

Staff present: C.A.O. Jeff Carswell and Tax Collector Brenda Junker

In the absence of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor Maureen RALPH called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approve Agenda

1. Moved by Clive LAWRY  
Seconded by Don MACDONALD  
Resolved Council approve the agenda for the March 17, 2010 meeting as printed and further that the following be added to the agenda for this meeting:
  - Election Discussion

***CARRIED.***

**PECUNIARY INTERESTS:**

None

Confirm Minutes

2. Moved by Betty YEOMAN  
Seconded by Jeremy SMITH  
Resolved that Council confirm the minutes of the March 3, 2010 meeting as printed and circulated.

***CARRIED.***

**Correspondence & Reports – No Resolutions**

Grand River Conservation Authority – March 2010 Minutes

**Correspondence & Reports – Resolutions Following**

OSUM – 2010 Conference Invitation

Attend 2010 OSUM Conference

3. Moved by Don MACDONALD  
Seconded by Jeremy SMITH  
Resolved that Council authorize attendance of the following persons at the OSUM Conference to be held in Stratford from May 5-7, 2010: Mayor Don MCKAY, Councillor Betty YEOMAN and Councillor Clive LAWRY.

***CARRIED.***

At 7:04 p.m., Public Works Manager Dennis O'Neil attended Council to report on the following matters:

- Dust Suppressant Tender
- Answer various questions of Council

Award 2010 Dust  
Suppressant Tender

4. Moved by Clive LAWRY  
Seconded by Jeremy SMITH  
Resolved that Council accept the tender of Pollards Highway Products to supply and place dust suppressant to Township roads at a cost of \$0.0675 per litre of product;  
And further that the Public Works Manager be authorized to proceed with test areas using approximately 80,000 litres of the Da-Lee Dust Control product as a comparator.

***CARRIED.***

Presentation re  
MOE Agricultural  
Program

At 7:20 p.m., Glenn Ross, an agricultural inspector with the Ministry of the Environment, attended Council to explain how OMAF and MOE are jointly administering various agricultural policies, most specifically Nutrient Management, as well as new policies being implemented over the coming months.

Staff Report re Ontario Municipal Health & Safety Representatives Association (OMHSRA)

Approve  
Membership in  
OMHSRA

5. Moved by Jeremy SMITH  
Seconded by Betty YEOMAN  
Resolved that Council approve membership in the Ontario Municipal Health & Safety Representatives Association.

***CARRIED.***

Staff Report re: 2010 Draft Budget

CAO Jeff Carswell lead discussion regarding the draft 2010 budget, and responded to various questions and comments of Council members.

Adopt  
Recommendations  
re 2010 Draft  
Budget

6. Moved by Clive LAWRY  
Seconded by Jeremy SMITH  
Resolved that Council adopt the recommendations in Staff Report #CAO2010-15 dated March 12, 2010 regarding the 2010 Draft Budget.

***CARRIED.***

**Recommendations Adopted from Staff Report CAO2010-15**

1. Council provide direction on the budget to be prepared for and presented at the Budget Public Meeting on April 7, 2010.
2. Council approve the 2010/11 Insurance Program as set out in the 2010 Municipal Insurance Program from Frank Cowan Company Ltd. In the amount of \$193,463.

Election Discussion

Deputy Clerk Brenda Junker responded to questions regarding the Vote by Mail process being used for the October 25, 2010 municipal election.

- Committee of the Whole, in camera
7. Moved by Don MACDONALD  
Seconded by Betty YEOMAN  
Resolved that Council does now adjourn to Committee of the Whole, in camera, at 8:18 p.m. to consider a matter pertaining to:
- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
- CARRIED.**
- Council Reconvenes
8. Moved by Clive LAWRY  
Seconded by Don MACDONALD  
Resolved that the Committee of the Whole does now rise and Council reconvenes at 8:26 p.m.
- CARRIED.**
- Confirming By-law
9. Moved by Clive LAWRY  
Seconded by Don MACDONALD  
Resolved that by-law #2010-14 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council held Wednesday, March 17, 2010 be read a first, second and third time this 17th day of March, 2010 and further that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the same and affix the corporate seal thereto.
- CARRIED.**
- Adjourn
10. Moved by Betty YEOMAN  
Seconded by Jeremy SMITH  
Resolved that Council does now adjourn at 8:27 p.m.
- CARRIED.**

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Jeff Carswell, Clerk

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Maureen Ralph, Deputy Mayor