Before we get to the minutes, please take note that Wendy Dixon has taken over the position of Financial Secretary for the Buckhorn Ratepayers. In order to send your \$10 annual dues etransfer is the easiest. The email is <a href="mailto:buckhornratepayersassociation@gmail.com">buckhornratepayersassociation@gmail.com</a>. There is no question to answer. It is automatic deposit. Thanks to both Ellen and Wendy for getting this account transferred to a new name. Now you just have to transfer your \$10. We have in the past donated to the Trent Lakes Municipal hamper fund. We will need some dues paid. Thanks!

Trent Lakes Council Meeting Tuesday, December 3, 2024

10.1.1. Evan Grieger, Director of Public Works Private Road Grant Policy Update

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from the Director of Public Works regarding Private Road Grant Policy Update for information; and further That Council approve the proposed changes to the Private Road Grant Policy 5.47.

That Council direct staff to amend Policy 5.47 – Private Road Grant Policy to reduce the threshold for the number of properties to be part of the road association to 75% and the criteria for the list of names and addresses and that this amendment be brought back to a future Council meeting for approval.

Staff have incorporated the proposed changes to the Private Road Grant Policy. These changes are: • Reducing the number of properties required to be a part of the Association to 75%. • Information on owners who are part of the road association only needs to include name and address.

A motion to support the recommendation was made by Councillor Franzen and seconded by Councillor Cadigan. Carried.

10.4.2. Adele Arbour, Planner Processing of Planning Applications and Postal Strike

Recommendation: That Council receive the report from the Planner regarding Processing of Planning Applications and the Postal Strike for information; and further That Council support a hold on the processing of Planning Applications during the postal strike with processing to resume at the conclusion of the strike, with the exception of minor Zoning ByLaw Amendment Applications resulting as a condition of consent.

On this basis, staff are concerned that with posting applications to the website, while it would fulfil the minimum requirement for public consultation, it would not provide an effective means of consultation. For this reason, Planning staff are recommending an interim hold on Public Meetings for Zoning By-Law Amendments and Minor Variances until the postal strike is over. The only exception to the proposed moratorium would be minor Zoning By-Law Amendment applications that are required to satisfy a condition of consent as these applications have previously been circulated through processes under the Planning Act and the minor Zoning By-law Amendment is a condition of the provisional consent. The proposed hold would not create a backlog as there is not a substantial number of applications in the queue at the moment. As there is no known end date at this strike, staff will continue to monitor Planning Applications submitted and keep Council informed.

Councillor Cadigan moved to support the recommendation. Councillor Brockbank supported. Carried.

Mayor Lambshead and Councillor Franzen excused themselves from the vote as they have family working for Canada Post.

Deputy Mayor Armstrong thanked staff for being proactive.

Other communication – Councillor Franzen told about Christmas in the Village at Kinmount, Saturday, December 7 Pancake breakfast with Santa at 8:30 in the Kinmount Legion including other activities later in the morning at the community centre in Kinmount, concert and loonie auction at Galway Hall at 7:00 pm.

Cavendish Senior Luncheon on Tuesday, December 10 at noon.

Meeting adjourned.