



**Township of Drummond/North Elmsley**  
**#24 Council Meeting of December 13, 2016.**  
**Township Council Chambers**

**Minutes**

**Call To Order:** Reeve Churchill called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

**Present:**

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| <b>Council:</b> | Reeve        | Aubrey Churchill |
|                 | Deputy Reeve | Gail Code        |
|                 | Councillor   | Steve Fournier   |
|                 | Councillor   | George Sachs     |
|                 | Councillor   | Ray Scissons     |

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| <b>Staff:</b> | Clerk-Administrator | Cindy Halcrow |
|               | Deputy Clerk        | Cathy Ryder   |

**Members Wishing To Disclose A Pecuniary Interest Do So Now.** No members declared a pecuniary interest.

**1.0 Minutes**

**1.1 Regular Minutes of December 6, 2016**

**Moved By:** Gail Code  
**Seconded By:** Ray Scissons

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley** does hereby approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 6, 2016, as circulated.

**Carried**  
**16-141**

**2.0 Approval Of Agenda**

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**Moved By:** Ray Scissons  
**Seconded By:** Gail Code

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley** does hereby adopt the agenda for the meeting of December 13, 2016 as admended.

**Carried**  
**16-142**

**3.0 Delegations: None**

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#### **4.0 Committee & Board Reports**

##### **4.1 Committee of the Whole Report to Council**

- **December 6, 2016**

#### **“A” 1 Township of McKellar – Fire Department Infrastructure Funding Resolution**

**“B” 1 WHEREAS** the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, legislates that fire prevention, public education and fire protection services are a mandatory municipal responsibility;

**AND WHEREAS** there are a total of 449 Fire Departments operating in the province comprised of 32 Full-Time Departments, 191 Composite Departments and 226 Volunteer Departments with 11,376 Full-Time Firefighters, 19,347 Volunteer Firefighters and 343 Part-Time Firefighters staffing these departments;

**AND WHEREAS** the fire service represents a significant percentage of small, rural and northern municipalities’ managed capital assets;

**AND WHEREAS** the Municipal Fire Department and associated assets represent critical municipal infrastructure;

**AND WHEREAS** there are currently no funding opportunities available from the Provincial or the Federal Government for the equipment, training, maintenance, operating or capital requirements of local fire departments;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley hereby petition the Provincial Government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department infrastructure as part of the Provincial Governments Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward;

#### **“A” 2. School Closure Resolution – Ontario Alliance Against School Closures**

**“B” 2. WHEREAS** rural schools are integral to the future of rural communities; and **WHEREAS** the Council of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley are deeply concerned that the current process to consider rural school closures is not inclusive and the timelines do not provide for adequate community input; and

**WHEREAS** it’s critical that continued student achievement and well-being form part of reviews of schools;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley urge the Minister of Education to rewrite the Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline (PARG) to take into consideration community and economic value considerations and provide for a more democratic process of rural communities;

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that until such time as PARG is rewritten that the Province place a moratorium on any more rural school closures; And that this

resolution be forwarded to the Premier, Minister of Education, MPPs Bill Walker, Jim Wilson and Lisa Thompson, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Western Ontario Warden's Caucus and the counties and regions of Ontario.

Councillor Ray Scissons presented and read Report #16 CoW-December 6, 2016 to Council on behalf of the Committee of the Whole.

**Moved By: Ray Scissons**  
**Seconded By: Steve Fournier**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Report #16 CoW-December 6, 2016 is hereby adopted this thirteenth day of December 2016.

**Carried**  
**16-143**

## **5.0 BY-LAWS**

### **5.1 2016-051 Borrowing for Current and Capital Expenditures**

**Moved By: Gail Code**  
**Seconded By: Ray Scissons**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #2016-051**, being a By-law to authorize borrowing from time to time for current and capital expenditures and entitled, "Borrowing for Current and Capital Expenditures By-law", be read a first, second and third time and finally passed in open Council.

**Carried**  
**16-144**

**6.0 RESOLUTIONS/NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None**

**7.0 CLOSED SESSION: None**

**8.0 COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE: None**

**9.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**10.0 CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**Moved By: George Sachs**  
**Seconded By: Steve Fournier**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law #2016-052**, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting of December 13, 2016, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed in open Council.

**Carried  
16-145**

**11.0 Adjournment**

**Moved By: Steve Fournier  
Seconded By: George Sachs**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley adjourn their regular meeting of Council.**

Adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

**Carried  
16-146**

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**Reeve**

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**Clerk Administrator**