



HEALTH COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 27, 2011

A Special Meeting of the Health Committee was held at the County Administration Building, Pembroke, Ontario on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Present were: Janice Visneskie, Chair
Robert Sweet, Warden

and Committee Members: Mary Campbell, Jennifer Murphy, Richard Rabishaw, David Shulist, Tammy Stewart

City of Pembroke Reps: Terry O'Neill, Gary Severin

Staff Present: W. James Hutton, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
James D. Kutschke, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk
Paul Moreau, Director, Development and Property
Shayne Hoelke, Administrator, Bonnechere Manor
Shelley Sheedy, Administrator, Miramichi Lodge
Rhonda Chaput, Administrative Assistant, Emergency Services

Chair Visneskie welcomed Committee members and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The roll was called, and no pecuniary interests were declared.

BONNECHERE MANOR DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Shayne Hoelke stated that at the April 13, 2011 meeting of Health Committee, he was directed to develop a proposal to encompass current and future parking needs for Bonnechere Manor. He stated that since Bonnechere Manor was built in 1995 at the present location of 470 Albert Street, there have been issues related to insufficient parking. Visitors, family members and staff often find themselves having to park along the side of Albert Street.

The construction of the new Bonnechere Manor Auditorium and the proposal to develop eight new parking spots to fulfill the occupancy permit requirements from the Town of Renfrew makes this an opportune time to address the overall parking issues at Bonnechere Manor. A comparison of parking availability between the two municipal homes is as follows: Bonnechere Manor has 180 residents, 230 staff members and only 88 parking spots, and Miramichi Lodge has 166 residents and 208 staff members with 165 parking spots.

Council will recall that \$100,000 has been approved within the 2011 budget for resurfacing of the front parking lots. An additional \$150,000 as per the Bonnechere Manor 10-year Capital Asset Management Plan is to be budgeted for within the 2012 budget to complete all resurfacing of parking lots.

Initially 30 parking spaces were requested to address immediate needs however Committee requested that future parking and resurfacing requirements be considered due to increasing asphalt costs. In consideration of existing parking issues, parking and access for auditorium, 50 parking spaces were requested. It should be noted that the doors of the new Auditorium exiting into the Intergenerational Gardens (Courtyard) cannot be utilized as an entrance to the auditorium. There would be significant costs involved to redesign the auditorium courtyard doors to be an entrance. It should also be noted that functions within the auditorium during an outbreak will not be affected. People will still be able to enter the auditorium via the front entrance to Bonnechere Manor. Therefore, the new 50 parking spots will also have to enter Bonnechere Manor and the auditorium through the Manor's front entrance. Based on recent work completed on the parking lot, it is estimated that an additional \$200,000 will be required.

Therefore, it is recommended that up to \$200,000 be taken from the Bonnechere Manor unallocated reserve portion of the accumulated surplus in addition to the previously approved budgeted amount of \$100,000 to complete all the parking lots/road resurfacing and to build a vehicle parking lot with 50 parking spaces to the east of Bonnechere Manor. The creation of a 50 vehicle parking lot will exceed the Town of Renfrew's requirement of eight additional parking spaces for the Auditorium occupancy permit and address the need for additional parking spaces at Bonnechere Manor.

Warden Sweet expressed concern that allocation of these funds was not considered during the County Council budgetary process. Chair Visneskie stated that a surplus had not been identified during the budget process, and we must recognize the efficiencies in completing the parking lot before asphalt prices increase.

RESOLUTION NO. H-C-11-04-44

Moved by: Warden Sweet
Seconded by: Mayor Campbell

THAT the Health Committee recommend to County Council authorization of up to \$200,000 to be taken from the Bonnechere Manor unallocated reserve portion of the accumulated surplus for the remaining resurfacing of the front parking lots/road project and to build a 50 vehicle parking lot to the existing east parking lot of Bonnechere Manor; AND FURTHER THAT County Council be requested to authorize the advertising of the Request for Proposal for the project of resurfacing the front parking lots/road and creation of a 50-vehicle parking lot.

CARRIED

Mr. Hoelke advised that the Bonnechere Manor Foundation has had difficulty raising funds to purchase furnishings in time for the June 29, 2011 Grand Opening, citing timelines and donor fatigue. Council had previously indicated by resolution that the County would not be responsible for the fit up (sound system, chairs, tables, etc.) for the auditorium. Mr. Hoelke stated that Mr. Hutton and Mr. Kutschke met with the Bonnechere Manor Foundation Board on April 20, 2011 to further discuss the fit-up for the new auditorium. It was proposed that the County of Renfrew/City of Pembroke purchase the furnishings for the new auditorium not to exceed an amount of \$20,000 with repayment by the Bonnechere Manor Foundation over the

next four years, interest free. The Bonnechere Manor Foundation agreed to the repayment of these funds over the next four years (\$20,000).

Councillor O'Neill asked how the funds would be returned to the County. Mr. Hutton stated that the Bonnechere Manor Foundation would be set up as a receivable and the County would be repaid at a rate of \$5,000 each year.

RESOLUTION NO. H-C-11-045

Moved by: Mayor Rabishaw
Seconded by: Mayor Murphy

THAT Health Committee recommend that County Council authorize the expenditure of up to \$20,000 from the unallocated reserve portion of Bonnechere Manor's Accumulated Surplus to furnish the new auditorium with the expectation and firm commitment by the Bonnechere Manor Foundation to repay this amount of up to \$20,000 over the next four years, interest free.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. H-C-11-04-46

Moved by: Reeve Stewart
Seconded by: Warden Sweet

THAT this meeting become a closed meeting for the following purpose(s) – Time 9:21 a.m.

- (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- (d) labour relations or employee negotiations;
- (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (g) a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another act;
- (h) A meeting of a council or local board or of a committee of either of them may be closed to the public if the following conditions are both satisfied:

- i. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members AND
- ii. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee.

RESOLUTION NO. H-C-11-04-47

Moved by: Reeve Stewart
Seconded by: Mayor Rabishaw

THAT this meeting resume as an open meeting. Time: 9:27 a.m.

CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. H-C-11-04-48

Moved by: Mayor Murphy
Seconded by: Reeve Stewart

THAT this meeting adjourn and the next regular meeting of this committee be held Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, County of Renfrew Administration Building, Pembroke Ontario. Time 9:27 a.m.

CARRIED.