

## **Minutes**

### **Date:**

January 19, 2016

### **Time:**

7:00 p.m.

### **Location:**

Council Chambers - 52 Seguin Street, Gibson Street Entrance

### **Members Present:**

Mayor McGarvey, Clr. P. Borneman, Clr. B. Keith, Clr. D. McCann, Clr. K. Saulnier, Clr. J. Marshall

### **Regrets:**

Clr. B. Horne

### **Staff Present:**

R. Mens, J. Boggs, P. Brown, L. Middaugh, T. Pinn, D. Thompson, C. Ward, N. Mullen

### **Presentations:**

None.

#### **1. Agenda**

##### **1.1 Additions to Agenda/Notice of Motion**

**Notice of Motion**

Councillor Borneman provided notice that he will be moving to rescind Resolution 2015-154, the direction for staff to update the Water Treatment Plant for continued Fluoride use in the Town's drinking water. This will come forward for placement on the January 26, 2016 Special Meeting of Council agenda.

**1.2 Prioritization of Agenda**

9.6.1 Business Stimulus Plan

**1.3 Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved by Councillor Borneman**

**Seconded by Councillor Marshall**

That the Council agenda for January 19, 2016 be approved as amended.

**Carried**

**1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

**2. Public Meeting**

**3. Minutes and Matters Arising from Minutes**

**3.1 Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved by Councillor Marshall**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

That the Minutes from the Council meetings held December 15, 2015 and January 12, 2016 be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

**3.2 Questions of Staff**

Councillor Saulnier asked Mr. Brown for a synopsis regarding last week's heavy snowfall. Mr. Brown noted that we only had one trackless available and staff was out 10-12 hours each day to keep the sidewalks clean. With only one trackless the whole Town gets done only once. The other one was out for repair. As well one of the ploughs broke down on Murray St so staff were unable to clear snow as efficiently as usual. Mr. Brown pointed out that, by law, staff can only work 60 hrs/week. Staff had made it to 60 hrs. by Sunday with night crews and a skeleton staff being utilized to clear snow. Mr. Brown is very proud of our staff and their efforts to keep the town roads and sidewalks clear of snow even under trying circumstances.

Councillor Keith asked about the repairs to the holes on the Church and Cascade railroad tracks? CN has still not repaired either. Mr. Brown responded that he is emailing CN daily in order to affect those repairs. The Town is unable to make these repairs as they are located on CN property. Councillor Keith suggested that the CN number be put on the Town's website so concerned citizens can call CN directly to lodge their complaints. Councillor Borneman suggested that a letter be written to our Federal M.P. Tony Clement so perhaps he can bring the matter to the attention CN representatives.

The following direction was proposed:

**Direction Approved (For Direct Staff Follow-up)**

That a letter be written to our Federal M.P. Tony Clement so he can bring the matter of lack of response from CN regarding the track issues at Church Street and Cascade to the attention CN representatives.

**Carried**

**4. Correspondence**

4.1 Letter Previously received from Kris Phillips, President of OmniVet Pharma Inc.

Re: Addition of signatures regarding removal of fluoride from the Town's water system.

*(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Town Clerk for follow-up.)*

4.2 Joe Moloney, Parry Sound Progressive Water Management Group.

Re: Information provided regarding removal of fluoride from the Town's water system.

*(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Town Clerk for follow-up)*

4.3 Dr. James Chirico, Medical Officer of Health

Re: Accommodation Planning - Construction contract awarded for new North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit.

*(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Town Clerk for file)*

4.4 David Pearce, Chain Supply Officer, Stewardship Ontario

Re: Industry funding for Municipal Blue Box Recycling for third quarter of the 2015 Program Year.

*(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Director of Public Works for file)*

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4.5 Parry Sound Resident Taxpayers: K. MacKay, E. Lawrence, E. Bushey, C. Hewson, J. MacKay, O. Thurston, K. Bushey, D. Doherty, A. & F. Hurlburt, G. & D. Rand, R. & S. Hanna, C. Cartier, C. Kelly, R. Cartier, G. Bradley, B. Briggs.

Re: Questions regarding Council's lack of response to requests to remove the fluoride from the Town's water system.

*(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Town Clerk for follow-up)*

4.6 AMO Watch File - December 10, 17, 2015 and January 7, 2016

Re: Municipal Industry News

*(Provided to Mayor and Council and attached to the e-agenda for filing)*

**5. Deputations**

**30 mins.**

5.1 Stephen Burnett, Executive Director of the Great Lakes Cruising Coalition (GLCC)

10 mins.

Re: Great Lakes Cruise Ships

Mr. Burnett provided some background on the GLCC. They are a not-for-profit membership organization representing publicly owned ports, towns, cities and Great Lakes communities. The GLCC's approach is a formal, business approach--building Great Lakes passenger cruising business. It is self funding and it offers advice and assistance to ship owners. They access funding programs where possible. This organization has created a good presence on the Great Lakes and the request is that Parry Sound join the GLCC. Membership involves having a seat at the table and knowing what GLCC is doing to promote Great Lakes Cruising to Cruise Companies.

5.2 Joe Moloney, Parry Sound Progressive Water Management

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Re: Update to Council regarding collection of signatures for referendum to remove fluoride from the Town's drinking water. 10 mins.

Mr. Moloney, representing the group Parry Sounders for Progressive Water Management, updated Council on the status of the signatures they are collecting to get fluoride removed from the municipal water supply. Over 90 % of the signatures collected so far, want it removed. Mr. Moloney feels they have the overwhelming support of the electorate to get it removed.

It was agreed that a copy of the routes already solicited and a copy of the signatures they've collected so far would be provided to the Town Clerk, along with a letter stating that this is not a formal petition submission but an effort to provide Council with the info and signatures they have gathered so far.

5.3 Jack Tynan, President. Andrew Ryeland, Secretary/Treasurer Park to Park Trail Association

Re: Update on Park to Park Trail's activities. 10 mins.2

Park to Park have over 270 kilometers of trail from Killbear Park to Algonquin Park. Park to Park is a non-profit group that received contributions from many of the nearby communities to assist in their trail maintenance and marketing. Two recent asks from Parry Sound are a contribution of \$5,000 and the provision of access through town for the trail users. This past year Park to Park Invested \$86,000 in trail infrastructure and signage regarding the history of the trail. Passes are available for purchase for ATV groups and non motorized users are not required to obtain a pass to use the trail. Their marketing targeted ATV riders throughout Ontario and 90 percent of ATV trail users are from southern Ontario making the trail a popular leisure destination in our area.

The request for trail access is from Killbear through to Orrville. Council has adopted the Trails Master Plan for Parry Sound and expects to regroup the Steering Committee to work on this issue. It is hoped there will be something concrete by May or June which

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will outline the least intrusive path through town and the most appropriate for businesses.

## **6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports**

Mayor and Councillors gave their reports on meetings attended and matters arising.

## **7. Ratification of Matters from Closed Agenda**

## **8. Consent Agenda**

8.1 Doctor Recruitment - Rural Ontario Municipalities

### **Resolution 2016 - 002**

**Moved by Councillor Saulnier**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

Be It Resolved That, in an effort to retain and attract family physicians to our rural Ontario municipality, the Town of Parry Sound supports the Township of Madawaska Valley's Resolution 22-0712-15, attached as Schedule "A", and hereby requests that; the Minister of Health and Long Term Care reinstate incentives for physicians to practice in rural areas of Ontario; and that the Minister return to the table with Ontario's doctors and work together through mediation-arbitration to reach a fair deal that protects the quality, patient-focused care Ontario's families deserve;

And Further that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, MPP Norm Miller, Parry Sound-Muskoka, all the municipalities in the territorial District of Parry Sound and the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons.

**Carried**

## 8.2 Basic Income Guarantee Program

### **Resolution 2016 - 003**

**Moved by Councillor Saulnier**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

Be It Resolved That the Town of Parry Sound supports the City of Kingston's resolution, passed on December 15, 2015, attached as Schedule "A", to endorse a national discussion of a Basic Income Guarantee for all Canadians; and

That the Town of Parry Sound encourage the provincial and federal governments through their respective responsible Ministers, including the Ontario Minister of Health and the Ontario Deputy Minister in Charge of Poverty Reduction, to work together to consider, investigate, and develop a Basic Income Guarantee for all Canadians; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the City of Kingston and all territorial District of Parry Sound municipalities with the request that they consider indicating their support for this most important initiative;

And Further That this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, including the Big City Mayors' Caucus, with the request that they include proposing a Basic Income Guarantee in their respective engagements with the provincial and federal governments;

And That copies of this resolution be shared with the Premier of Ontario, the Prime Minister of Canada, and all opposition leaders at both levels of government.

**Carried**

## **9. Resolutions and Direction to Staff**

### **9.1 Public Works**



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## **9.2 Development and Leisure Services**

### **9.2.1 Stockey Centre Rental Rates**

Spokespersons: Cheryl Ward, General Manager, Stockey Centre and Bobby Orr Hall of Fame & Nicole Mullen, Facility Rentals & Corporate Events Coordinator

#### **Direction Approved (For Direct Staff Follow-Up):**

That staff be directed to provide notice to the public for a 21-day period, per Council's Provision of Notice Policy, to allow comments to be received regarding proposed amendments to Schedule "G" of By-law 2010-5408, a By-law to Prescribe Fees and Service Charges for the Town of Parry Sound.

**Carried**

### **9.2.2 Visitors' Information Centre**

Spokesperson: Lynn Middaugh, Director of Development and Leisure Services

#### **Direction Approved (For Direct Staff Follow-Up):**

That Council direct staff to investigate the feasibility and scope of the Town operating a Visitors' Information Centre (VIC) at the Stockey Centre, reporting back to Council March 14, 2016.

**Carried**

## **9.3 Emergency and Protective Services**

### **9.3.1 Consolidated Approach to Emergency Management in West Parry Sound**

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Emergency and Protective Services, Fire Chief

**Resolution 2016 - 005**

**Moved by Councillor Borneman**

**Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That Council approve in principal a cooperative approach to Emergency Management in the West Parry Sound Area that fundamentally endorses the sharing of human resources as possible through the Mutual Assistance Agreement and the consistent training of these human resources to manage large scale emergencies; and

Further that staff establish a training program to incorporate the Incident Command System as our organizational approach to Emergency Management and that staff revise the West Parry Sound Joint Emergency Plan to imbed this management method in conjunction with the other West Parry Sound municipalities.

**Carried**

**9.4 Administration**

**9.5 Finance and POA Court Services**

**9.6 Other Business**

**9.6.1 Business Stimulus Plan**

Spokesperson: Councillor Keith Saulnier

**Resolution 2016 -**

**Moved by Councillor Saulnier**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

Whereas Council's 2015-2018 Strategic Plan identifies Growth and Development as a Strategic Priority; and

Whereas this Strategic Priority states that 'the Town will be development ready and will strengthen and diversify its economy to provide sustainable growth and quality employment.'; and

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Whereas Council has given direction that consideration be given to the development and funding of a business development strategy as part of the 2016 budget process:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Council establish a Business Development Task Team (BDTT) consisting of Cllr. Keith Saulnier, Taylor Elgie, Rob Mens and Lynn Middaugh to develop a Business Development Plan as follows:

- i) That a list of developers and private property owners of lands suitable for development be prepared and met with to gain an understanding and appreciation of issues related to doing business in Town and their development interest; and
- ii) That staff prepare a comprehensive list of non-mandatory fees (i.e.: building permit, site plan application, sign permit, securities, etc.), and the impact of amending these fees in an effort to stimulate development; and
- iii) That the BDTT review Resolution No: 2006-71, 'Principles and Guidelines for Private Development', the Tax Increment Equivalent Grant Program (TIEG), the Façade Improvement Program, and the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) and make recommendations as appropriate for Council's consideration; and
- iv) That Phase I of the Business Stimulus Plan focus on the former Imperial Wharf, waterlot, and adjacent lands at the bottom of Champaigne Street given that the Town owns and has control of these lands. The Phase I focus supports the Town's Official Plan, Strategic Plan and the Waterfront Development Advisory Committee's efforts to implement the Waterfront Development Master Plan; and
- v) That the BDTT report back to Council by April, 2016 with a Business Stimulus Plan.

The following amendment was proposed:

**Moved by Councillor Saulnier**

**Seconded by Councillor Marshall**

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That Mayor McGarvey's name be added to the Business Development Task Team (BDTT).

**Carried**

**Resolution 2016 - 004**

**Moved by Councillor Saulnier**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

Whereas Council's 2015-2018 Strategic Plan identifies Growth and Development as a Strategic Priority; and

Whereas this Strategic Priority states that 'the Town will be development ready and will strengthen and diversify its economy to provide sustainable growth and quality employment.'; and

Whereas Council has given direction that consideration be given to the development and funding of a business development strategy as part of the 2016 budget process:

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- i) That a list of developers and private property owners of lands suitable for development be prepared and met with to gain an understanding and appreciation of issues related to doing business in Town and their development interest; and
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- iii) That the BDTT review Resolution No: 2006-71, 'Principles and Guidelines for Private Development', the Tax Increment Equivalent Grant Program (TIEG), the Façade

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Improvement Program, and the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) and make recommendations as appropriate for Council's consideration; and

iv) That Phase I of the Business Stimulus Plan focus on the former Imperial Wharf, waterlot, and adjacent lands at the bottom of Champaigne Street given that the Town owns and has control of these lands. The Phase I focus supports the Town's Official Plan, Strategic Plan and the Waterfront Development Advisory Committee's efforts to implement the Waterfront Development Master Plan; and

v) That the BDTT report back to Council by April, 2016 with a Business Stimulus Plan.

**Carried**

#### **9.6.2 Request for Seniors Reduction in Water & Wastewater Rates**

Spokesperson: Councillor Bonnie Keith

#### **Resolution 2016 - 006**

**Moved by Councillor Keith**

**Seconded by Councillor Saulnier**

Whereas senior citizens on fixed incomes constitute a significant proportion of the Town's population as is the case in communities across the Province; and

Whereas seniors constitute 24.3% of the Town's population, and

Whereas the numbers of seniors aged 65 and over is projected to more than double from 1.8 million, or 13.7 per cent of population in 2009, to 4.1 million, or 23.2 per cent, by 2036; and

Whereas water and wastewater user fees are often considered by residents as another form of taxation; and

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Whereas those user fees have and are projected to continue to rise far in excess of the rate of inflation due substantially to the deteriorated state of municipal infrastructure and the cost of replacing and repairing that infrastructure; and

Whereas Provincial support through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund has been steadily and substantially declining for the past several years;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council of the Town of Parry Sound petition Mario Sergio, the Minister Responsible for Seniors Affairs to develop a program designed to provide relief to municipalities to offset water and wastewater fees.

Further that this resolution be sent to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premiere of Ontario, Glen Murray, Minister for Environment and Climate Change and Charles Sousa, Minister of Finance; and

To all Ontario municipalities and AMO for their support and endorsement.

**Carried**

## **10. By-laws**

### **10.1 Public Works**

### **10.2 Development and Leisure Services**

#### **10.2.1 The Breath Productions and Designs Contract**

Spokesperson: Cheryl Ward, General Manager, Stockey Centre and Bobby Orr Hall of Fame

#### **By-law 2016 - 6594**

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement between The Breath Productions and Designs and the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound for the provision of technical expertise at the Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts.

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**Read and First and Second Time,**

The following amendment to the contract, Schedule "A", was proposed:

**Moved by Councillor Keith**

**Seconded by Councillor Marshall**

That the contract length be changed to a four-year term instead of a three-year term and that COL be applied for 2018.

**Carried**

**Read a Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of January, 2016**

**10.3 Emergency and Protective Services**

**10.3.1 South River EMS Base Lease**

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Emergency and Protective Services, Fire Chief

**By-law 2016 - 6595**

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Town of Parry Sound and the Village of South River and the Township of Machar for lease of the South River EMS Base.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of January, 2016**

**10.3.2 Land Ambulance Contract 2016- 2019**

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Emergency and Protective Services, Fire Chief

**By-law 2016 - 6596**

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Being a By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the West Parry Sound Health Centre and the Town of Parry Sound for the provision of Land Ambulance Services for four years (2016-2019).

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of January, 2016**

#### **10.4 Administration**

**10.4.1** Amendments to the Council, Boards and Committees Code of Conduct

Spokesperson: Jackie Boggs, Clerk/EA

##### **By-law 2016 - 6597**

Being a By-Law to amend By-law 2012-6138, a by-law governing Council's conduct through a Code of Conduct and to consolidate 2012-6138 with 2014-6467, a by-law to amend the Code of Conduct for Council Boards and Committee Members.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of January, 2016**

#### **10.5 Finance and POA Court Services**

**10.5.1** Temporary Borrowing Authorization

Spokesperson: Christine Gilbert, CPA, CA - Accounting Supervisor

##### **By-law 2016 - 6598**

Being a By-Law to Authorize Temporary Borrowing to Meet the Current Expenditures of the Town of Parry Sound Until Taxes are Collected and Other Revenues are Received.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of January, 2016**



**10.5.2 Set tax ratios for 2016**

Spokespersons: Rob Beaumont, Revenue and Taxation Supervisor & Trevor Pinn,  
CPA, CA - Director of Finance and POA Court Services

**By-law 2016 - 6599**

Being a by-law to set Tax Ratios for Municipal purposes for the year 2016.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of  
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**10.5.3 Tax Policies - Capping and New to Class / New Construction**

Spokespersons: Rob Beaumont, Revenue and Taxation Supervisor & Trevor Pinn,  
CPA, CA - Director of Finance and POA Court Services

**By-law 2016 - 6600**

Being a By-law to specify our Tax Policies, including the claw back percentages, the capping threshold parameters, the minimum tax level for new to class / new construction and to exclude certain properties from the capping program for the year 2016.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of  
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**10.6 Other Business**

**10.6.1 Confirming By-law**

**By-law 2016 - 6601**

Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

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**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 19th day of January, 2016**

## **11. Adjournment**

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

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Jamie McGarvey, Mayor

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Jackie Johnston Boggs, Clerk

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