

The Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes June 21, 2016

Minutes

Date:

June 21, 2016

Time:

7:00 (6:00 p.m. - Closed)

Location:

52 Seguin Street, Parry Sound, Ontario - Access off Gibson Street

Members Present:

Mayor Jamie McGarvey, Clr. Paul Borneman, Clr. Brad Horne, Clr. Bonnie Keith, Clr. Jim Marshall, Clr. Doug McCann, Clr. Keith Saulnier

Staff Present:

Rob Mens, CAO, Jackie Boggs, Clerk, Peter Brown, Dir. of Public Works, Lynn Middaugh, Dir. of Development and Leisure Services, Trevor Pinn, Dir. of Finance & POA Court Services, Dave Thompson, Dir. of Emergency and Protective Services

Presentations:

None.

Resolution 2016 - 132

Moved by Councillor Marshall

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Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound move to a meeting closed to the public in order to address a matter(s) pertaining to:

- c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for municipal or local board purposes. (**Potential Development Project**)

Carried

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to Agenda/Notice of Motion

9.6.2 State of the Town Public Washrooms

1.2 Prioritization of Agenda

9.2.1 Tender - Emily Street Reconstruction

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That the Council agenda for June 21, 2016 be approved as amended.

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1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

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None declared.

2. Public Meeting

3. Minutes and Matters Arising from Minutes

3.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Marshall

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held June 7, 2016 be approved as circulated.

Carried

3.2 Questions of Staff

Councillor Marshall asked Mr. Pinn about mailing out the tax bills and a Canada Post strike by workers July 2, 2016. Mr. Pinn responded that our tax bills go out in mid July. So hopefully the strike would be settled by then. The more pressing issue would be the water bills and the installments. Mr. Pinn would suggest to the public not to send a cheque in the mail toward the end of June. You can pay at the town office at 52 Seguin Street or you can pay on-line or arrange for direct withdrawal. A cheque in the mail could be delayed and customers are responsible for paying their bills on time regardless of a postal strike. If we can't get the tax bills out per usual date, the due date may be pushed back. MPAC property assessment notifications may be pushed back as well. We have looked at on-line billing but it is simply not feasible our municipality.

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Councillor Saulnier asked Ms. Middaugh how we provide a welcome for the ships that stop here all through the summer. Ms. Middaugh said that we have a total of 11 ship visits scheduled this year. Currently, we partner with other organizations such as the Parry Sound DBA. We provide brochures to the ship owners to allow them to be placed on the ship before they dock at our port. We have consulted with the ship owners and they say that passengers like something in their hands when they make a shore visit.

Doreen Corrigan sets up a booth on the dock and provides info for the first 2 hours the ship has docked. Participating merchants provide 10% discount to passengers. A shuttle is provided for the passengers. We provide them with ideas for itinerary planning. Terry Little provides fiddling on the dock for happy hour. If the passengers are out and about the town, they all make it back for happy hour. That has been well received. Shore land excursions are arranged by the ship owners i.e., trips to Killbear Park and trips with Georgian Airways. Staff are always looking for new ways to enhance the experience.

Councillor Saulnier asked Mr. Brown about the Cascade building project. He has some concerns about the 60 year water main built into the rock and the blasting that has been going on. He feels council should make a decision to-night about removing the old one and installing a new one. Mr. Brown said he walked that length of water main and due to blasting they will be destroying it regardless. We are looking at relocating it to run along the bridge and make it a permanent structure. Mr. Brown has asked the engineer to provide a plan. Mr. Brown intends to ask Lakeland Power to assist us with some financial support for this. Councillor Borneman thinks we should push for that assistance as it was identified as a possible outcome regarding the blasting.

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Councillor Horne asked Mr. Thompson about the 2 weeks since ATV's have been allowed on Town Roads. Have you received any concerns or inconvenience complaints? Mr. Thompson stated that he is happy to tell Council that we have not received any complaints and everything is going well.

Councillor Keith asked about the Town public washrooms as she has received a number of complaints that they are not working and they are not as clean as they should be. The waterfront washrooms would not be open until the weekend. The Town washrooms were just checked by Bonnie and they are not operable. Mr. Brown responded that he would be just as happy to close it the public washrooms across from the Town office because they are checked usually 3 times daily and these complaints as well as the ongoing vandalism are a constant problem. We had a camera set up but batteries died. Very frustrating experience.

The following direction was proposed:

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That a direction be added to the agenda this evening to request staff prepare a report to determine how to make the washrooms functional, less attractive to vandals and how much it would cost.

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4. Correspondence

4.1 Allan Edward, resident

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Re: Has many concerns about the project at the former William Beatty School in terms of the Town's call for proposals and what the taxpayer is paying.

The attached response was provided to Mr. Allan with some clarification. The Town did not own the property, have oversight of the disposal process or select a winning bid/tender. As well, taxpayers did not pay \$700,000 to subsidize this project. The sum was paid by the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration through funding by the Province of Ontario.

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to the Principle Planner for follow-up).

4.2 AMO Watchfile - June 2, 2016

Re: Municipal Industry News

(Circulated to Mayor and Council, attached to the e-agenda, and filed).

4.3 FONOM News Release

Re: FONOM Pleased that Northern Liberal MPPs will Hold Cabinet Positions

(Circulated to Mayor and Council, attached to the e-agenda, and filed).

5. Deputations

5.1 Geoff West, former resident

Re: Vision for Parry Sound and suggestions for Affordable Housing 10 mins.

(Mr. West called Monday to cancel his deputation and will reschedule in the future)

5.2 Dustin Turner, Regional Economic Development Officer 10 mins.

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Re: Mr. Turner introduced himself and outlined his mandate. Mr. Turner is working out of the CBDC Centre under Bill Spinney under the direction of the WPS CIINO Steering Committee. His mandate is job creation in the area. Working with local businesses, committees, organizations, governments to; 1) to help local businesses succeed and grow and that will attract new business as well; 2) to retain and attract a work force and will be working with the college, schools, alumni, job fairs, etc. and 3) to attract new business and investment. Large portion of his time will be implementing and executing the REDAC Marketing Plan.

Mr. Turner is a graduate of the University of Ontario Institute of Technology with an honours degree in Marketing and Finance. He has been working in Toronto the last 6 plus years in Marketing and Advertising. While he is from Charlottetown, PEI, he is no stranger to the region as he played two seasons with the Seguin Bruins, worked a summer for the Township of the Archipelago, and met his wife Meghan. They have always wanted to settle back here in Parry Sound and are looking forward to it.

6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports

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

7. Ratification of Matters from Closed Agenda

n/a

8. Consent Agenda

8.1 Lower Fuel Prices

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Resolution 2016 - 133

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Horne

Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Parry Sound hereby support the resolution passed by the City of Timmins and the Town of Ganaoque and encourage the Government of Ontario to regulate fuel prices to the levels that are affordable and profitable as in jurisdictions within Ontario that have lower fuel prices.

Carried

8.2 New Building Canada Fund - Definition of Local and Regional Airports

Resolution 2016 - 134

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCann

Whereas the Town of Parry Sound is a member of the Parry Sound and Area Municipal Airport Commission (PSAMAC); and

Whereas under the current definition within the *National Airports Policy* over 50% of essential Local and Regional Airports are ineligible for funding under the New Building Canada Fund and are left with aging aircraft maneuvering infrastructure;

Therefore, Be It Resolved That Council for the Town of Parry Sound endorses the letter from the PSAMA Manager, Neil Pirie, attached as Schedule "A", requesting the review of this definition as it pertains to the New Build Canada Fund; and

That this resolution be forwarded to Tony Clement, M.P. Parry Sound-Muskoka, the West Parry Sound Area municipalities, the Federation on Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM), for their support.

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Carried

9. Resolutions and Direction to Staff

9.1 Finance and POA Court Services

9.1.1 2015 Investment Report

Spokesperson: Trevor Pinn, Director of Finance and POA Court Services

Resolution 2016 - 136

Moved by Councillor Horne

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That Council accepts the 2015 Annual Investment Report, attached as Schedule "A", in accordance with the Town's Investment Policy.

Carried

9.1.2 2015 Reserve and Reserve Fund Report

Spokesperson: Trevor Pinn, Director of Finance and POA Court Services

Resolution 2016 - 137

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That Council receives the 2015 Reserve and Reserve Fund Report, attached as Schedule "A", in compliance with the Town's Reserve and Reserve Fund Policy.

Carried

9.2 Public Works

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9.2.1 Tender - Emily Street Reconstruction

Spokesperson: Peter Brown, Director of Public Works

Resolution 2016 - 135

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That upon the recommendation of C.C. Tatham and Associates, Council award the tender for Emily Street Reconstruction to Fowler Construction Company Limited, in the amount of \$4,343,396.16 plus HST, this tender being the lowest tender of three (3) tenders received.

Carried

9.3 Development and Leisure Services

9.4 Emergency and Protective Services

9.5 Administration

9.5.1 West Parry Sound Area Joint Municipal Meeting

Spokesperson: Rob Mens, C.A.O.

Resolution 2016 - 138

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That upon the recommendation of the REDAC Marketing Sub-committee, Council of the Town of Parry Sound agrees to attend a joint meeting of the participating Councils to receive the Regional Marketing Plan presentation and to vote on the adoption of the Plan and,

That upon the recommendation of the Tourism Steering Committee, the Tourism

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Summit Report be added to the WPS Area municipalities joint meeting agenda with a recommendation seeking the WPS Area municipalities' support to hire a tourism person and implement recommendations in the report.

Carried

9.6 Other Business

9.6.1 Business Welcome Team Program Outline

Spokesperson: Councillor Saulnier

Resolution 2016 - 139

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That the terms of reference for the Business Welcome Team be approved, as Schedule "A" attached.

Carried

9.6.2 State of the Town Washrooms

Direction Approved (For Direct Staff Follow-up)

That the Director of Public Works be requested to prepare a report on how to make the public washrooms available to citizens while discouraging vandals; and

That staff include a cost.

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10. By-laws

10.1 Finance and POA Court Services

10.1.1 Approval of Funding Agreement - Provincial Gas Tax

Spokesperson: Trevor Pinn, Director of Finance and POA Court Services

By-law 2016 - 6641

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Letter of Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of Ontario, represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario (the "Ministry") and the Town of Parry Sound (the "Municipality") Related to Funding Provided by the Province of Ontario (the "Province") to the Municipality under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 21st day of July, 2016.

10.1.2 By-law to specify claw back percentages for 2015 property taxes

Spokesperson: Trevor Pinn, Director of Finance and POA Court Services

By-law 2016 - 6642

Being a By-law to Specify the "Claw-back Percentages" in Respect of Properties in the Commercial Class for 2016 Taxation Year.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 21st day of July, 2016.

10.2 Public Works

10.3 Development and Leisure Services

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10.4 Emergency and Protective Services

10.5 Administration

10.6 Other Business

10.6.1 Confirming By-law

By-law 2016 - 6643

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

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 21st day of July, 2016.

11. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Jamie McGarvey, Mayor

Jackie Johnston Boggs, Clerk

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