

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound
Council Meeting Minutes October 21, 2014

Minutes

Date:

October 21, 2014

Time:

7:00 p.m. (6:30 Closed)

Location:

52 Seguin Street, Parry Sound, Gibson Street Entrance

Members Present:

Mayor Jamie McGarvey, Clr. P. Borneman, Clr. B. Horne, Clr. B. Keith, Clr. D. McCauley, Clr. K. Saulnier

Regrets:

Clr. D. Williams

Staff Present:

R. Mens, J. Boggs, P. Brown, L. Middaugh, T. Pinn, D. Thompson

Presentations:

Local Government Week October 19 to 25, 2014 – Certificate Presentations to Grade 4/5 Class – Victory School by Mayor Jamie McGarvey.

Mayor McGarvey provided certificates to Kelly Crowhurst, who is the teacher of the grade 4/5 class at Victory School, and to those who participated in Local Government week:

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Mayor for the Day: Connor Higgins

Councillors for the Day: Jorja Priaulx, Brandon Stone, Alex Mercier, Tyanna Jones and the rest of the participating class:

Nadine Beckett, Jacob Brint, Holden Cooper, Lincoln Drys, Izaiah Hill, Rowan Kachuk, Amanda Miller, Arryanna Molyneaux, Kynnadee Pawis, Grace Priaulx, Kaden Rand and Elliot Tabobondung, Georgie Porter

Resolution 2014 - 205

Moved By Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Keith

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:

b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. (**Retaining of Recruiter for Wastewater Manager Position, Personnel Issue**)

Carried

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to Agenda

1.2 Prioritization of Agenda

9.5.2 - Hillcrest Avenue Storm Sewer

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Horne

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That the October 21, 2014 Council Meeting Agenda be approved.

Carried

1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Councillor Keith declared a pecuniary interest in Item 10.1.1 as he is the owner of the property 11A Bay Street and left the room during Council's deliberation and the vote.

2. Public Meeting

3. Minutes and Matters Arising From Minutes

3.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCauley

That the minutes of the Special Council meeting held September 30, 2014 and the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held October 7, 2014 be approved as circulated.

Carried

3.2 Questions of Staff

Councillor Borneman asked Mr. Brown to provide an update on the Forest Street Project. Mr. Brown said that tomorrow two lanes will be shut down on Bowes Street temporarily. Then exploratory construction will start on Bowes Street on Wednesday. Forest Street will remain open the rest of this week and this weekend. On Monday October 27, Forest Street will be closed and will remain closed for the next 4-6 weeks as construction proceeds.

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Councillor Borneman asked Mr. Brown where the Town was regarding the Energy Audits required by the province. Mr. Brown replied that the Town's GIS Technician has been working closely with the energy audit group. In a week or so the final plan will be submitted to the province, as required. Mr. Brown indicated that there are other projects have come up as a result of the audit and will result in future energy savings for the Town of Parry Sound. He will be providing an update to Council in mid November of this year.

Councillor Keith asked about the status of the signal arms at the railroad crossing on Isabella Street. Mr. Brown replied he has met with Transport Canada to do two crossings which will be coordinated with the CN and the CP tracks. We are looking to get the area repaved and to put in a sidewalk and to realign the west side of the tracks. It is estimated that this project will take upwards of 2 years to complete.

Councillor Keith asked about the water run off from Hanna Road onto Beatty Street and onto Isabella Street. What is being done? Mr. Brown indicated that the engineer handling the road infrastructure for the School Board will be rectifying the situation.

Councillor Horne asked Ms. Boggs if there was election assistance available at the municipal office for voters who may require it in order to vote. Ms. Boggs replied that by all means, anyone who requires assistance with voting in the municipal election can attend the office and staff are available to help.

Councillor Saulnier noted that there has been a lot of rain in the last few weeks and asked Mr. Brown how the Town's drainage systems have been performing? Mr. Brown, replied that staff are clearing as needed and are monitoring the system. The Town has

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not needed to set up any by-passes at this point. Staff are also watching the water along the Seguin River very carefully.

Councillor McCauley asked Chief Thompson about the legislation that just passed regarding mandatory carbon monoxide detectors in residential homes. Chief Thompson replied that the Hawkins Gignac Act is now in force through the fire code. This device is now required in all dwellings with a fuel fired-appliance and/or with an attached garage. Residences with electric heat are exempt. Parry Sound Fire Department is currently conducting a public education campaign throughout the Town through local merchants. Coupons for purchasing carbon monoxide detectors are available.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Hector Lebert, Poppy Chairman

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #117

Re: Request for support and assistance with their Poppy Campaign running from October 31 to November 11th, 2014

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to the Deputy Clerk for follow-up)

4.2 AMO Watch Files - October 2, 9,

Re: Ontario Municipal information from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario regarding the Provincial and Federal Government.

(Circulated to Mayor and Council, Department Heads, attached to E-Agenda – Filed)

4.3 Joe Whitmell

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Re: Letter applying for membership on the Parry Sound District Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee for the Unorganized Township and the First Nations.

(Circulated to Mayor and Council, Department Heads, attached to E-Agenda – To be Brought Forward during Council Committee Discussions)

5. Deputations

5.1 Jackie Boggs, Returning Officer, Parry Sound Municipal Elections

Re: Update on 2014 Municipal Election - Telephone and Internet Voting only

Ms. Boggs updated Council and the public on the 2014 municipal election. The purpose of having vote by telephone and internet only is to provide a vote anywhere vote any time service for the Town's eligible voters. There is no need to attend any polling stations and as such there are no polling stations. Eligible voters on the voting list can vote anywhere at any time using a telephone or an internet connection during the voting period of October 14 to October 27, 2014. The public is encouraged to check the Voters List right away and vote as early as possible as it is expected that October 27th at the municipal office will be very busy with last minute enumerations and voters requiring assistance to vote via internet. The Parry Sound Public Library has computers that have internet access and Georgian Bay Software has offered their business as a site that voters can use to internet vote. However, those two sites are unable to provide election assistance. Election assistance is only available at the Town of Parry Sound municipal office.

As of this evening 25.4% of eligible voters have cast their votes. Last election in 2010, which was a traditional election with polling stations, with 3 advance polls, only 11.56% of people had voted by this time, in 2006 with 2 advance polls 14.4% had voted by this time. The Voters List has been available for voters to check since September 2 and, as

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always, the onus is on the voter to check the list and ensure they are on it and that it has the correct information. The Voter Instruction Letters were mailed to those on the Voters List the first week of October so if you have not received your Voter Instruction Letter please contact the office right away and staff can get you on the Voters List and provide you with your PIN number to allow you to vote.

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 CUPE - Fred Hahn, President Ontario Division

Re: Requesting a day of recognition for child care providers as Wednesday, October 29, 2014.

Withdrawn by Consent

Resolution 2014 -

Moved By Councillor

Seconded By Councillor

Whereas years of research confirms the benefits of high quality child care for young children's intellectual, emotional, social and physical development and later life outcomes; and

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Whereas child care promotes the well-being of children and responds to the needs of parents, child care workers and the broader community by supporting quality of life so that citizens can fully participate in and contribute to the economic and social life of their community; and

Whereas many studies show trained and knowledgeable Early Childhood educators and child care staff are the most important element in quality child care, and that good wages and working conditions are associated with higher job satisfaction and morale, lower staff turnover which leads to high quality education and care;

Therefore Be It Resolved that October 29, 2014 be proclaimed “Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day” in recognition of the education, dedication and commitment of child care workers to children, their families and quality of life of the community.

Withdrawn

8.2 November - Lung Month

Resolution 2014 - 206

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

Whereas, in the Town of Parry Sound and throughout Ontario, one in five residents lives with lung disease; and

Whereas, lung disease is one of the most prevalent, deadly and costly chronic diseases; and

Whereas, the Town of Parry Sound supports all measures designed to advance and protect the health of its citizens and of Ontarians; and

Whereas, to increase awareness of lung health issues and to inform Ontarians about the importance of their lung health, the Ontario Lung Association has designated the month of November Lung Month,

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Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Mayor and Council for the Town of Parry Sound do hereby proclaim November 2014 as "Lung Month" in the Town of Parry Sound.

Carried

8.3 Royal Canadian Legion Tag Day – November 8, 2014

Resolution 2014 - 207

Moved By Councillor Borneman

Seconded By Councillor McCauley

That the Council for the Town of Parry Sound does hereby approve Tag Day for the Royal Canadian Legion on November 8, 2014.

Carried

9. Resolutions and Direction To Staff

9.1 Development and Leisure Services

9.1.1 Parry Sound Public Library - Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) Grant Application

Spokesperson: Lynn Middaugh, Director of Community Development and Leisure Services

Resolution 2014 - 208

Moved by Councillor Horne

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That Council authorize that application be made to the Ontario Trillium Foundation on behalf of the Parry Sound Library Board for renovations and capital repairs to the Parry Sound Public Library.

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Carried

9.1.2 Waterfront Advisory Committee - Member Resignation

Spokesperson: Lynn Middaugh, Director of Community Development and
Leisure Services

Resolution 2014 - 209

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCauley

That Council accepts the resignation from Dave Anderson, and that his appointment to the Waterfront Advisory Committee be rescinded.

Carried

9.1.3 Disposal of Town Lands - 1 Emily Street

Spokesperson: Taylor Elgie, Planner

Direction Approved (Direct Staff Follow-up)

That in regard to Town-owned property at 1 Emily Street, Council authorize staff to proceed with:

- 1 - obtaining an appraisal for the property;
- 2 - initiating the process to declare the property surplus; and
- 3 - preparing an Agreement of Purchase and Sale for Council's Consideration.

Carried

9.2 Emergency and Protective Services

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9.3 Administration

9.3.1 2014 Municipal Election Accessibility Plan

Spokesperson: Jackie Boggs, Deputy Clerk/EA

Resolution 2014 - 210

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Horne

That Council acknowledge receipt of the 2014 Municipal Election Accessibility Plan, attached as Schedule "A".

Carried

9.4 Finance and POA Court Services

9.5 Public Works

9.5.1 Tender - Snow Removal

Spokesperson: Peter Brown, Director of Public Works

Resolution 2014 - 211

Moved by Councillor McCauley

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That Council accept the tender from Adams Brothers for snow removal on town streets, including traffic control when required, for the 2014/15 season, in the amount of \$67.18 per hour for a Tandem Dump Truck and \$74.24 per hour for a Loader, for a combined total of \$141.42 per hour, including HST, this tender being the lowest tender of two (2) tenders received.

Carried

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9.5.2 Hillcrest Ave Storm Sewer Follow Up Report

Spokesperson: Peter Brown, Director of Public Works

Direction Approved (Direct Staff Follow-up)

That Council direct staff to retain the services of an Engineer to design the replacement of a section of storm sewer, repair the existing storm sewer located on private property, acquire the necessary easements, and install individual sanitary laterals to the three properties in the area, this being Option #2, and

Further that the funds to cover the cost of the project be considered during 2015 budget deliberations.

Carried

9.6 Other Business

10. By-laws

10.1 Development and Leisure Services

10.1.1 Sale of Town-owned Lands: Georgian Bay Airways

Spokesperson: Lynn Middaugh, Director of Community Development and Leisure Services

By-law 2014 - 6476

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement of Purchase and Sale between Georgian Bay Airways and the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed, this 21st day of October, 2014.

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10.2 Emergency and Protective Services

10.3 Administration

10.4 Finance and POA Court Services

10.5 Public Works

10.6 Other Business

10.6.1 Confirming By-law

By-law 2014 - 6477

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 October, 2014.

11. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Mayor Jamie McGarvey

Rob Mens, CAO/Clerk

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