

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes August 11, 2015

Minutes

Date:

August 11, 2015

Time:

7:00 p.m.

Location:

52 Seguin Street, Parry Sound, Ontario-Gibson Street Entrance

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:

R. Mens, J. Boggs, P. Brown, T. Pinn, J. Este

Mayor McGarvey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to Agenda

1.2 Prioritization of Agenda

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Marshall

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Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That the Council Agenda for August 11, 2015 be approved as circulated.

Carried

1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Mayor McGarvey declared a pecuniary interest with Items 9.5.2 ad 10.3.1. Item 9.5.2 is regarding his place of employment and Item 10.3.1 is regarding the Mayor's elected position. Mayor McGarvey left the room during deliberation and the vote for each item. Deputy Mayor Doug McCann presided over the meeting in Mayor McGarvey's absence.

2. Public Meeting

3. Minutes and Matters Arising From Minutes

3.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That the Minutes from the Parry Sound Council Meeting held July 21, 2015 and the Special Council meeting held July 28, 2015 be approved as circulated.

Carried

3.2 Questions of Staff

Councillor McCann asked Mr. Brown about the Bowes Street and Great North Road intersection and the traffic that is too fast for pedestrian traffic. Mr. Brown replied that a contractor would have to be hired to put up advance green signs to ensure that drivers

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are allowing pedestrian traffic to cross the road. Mr. Brown replied that this intersection and others can be signed. Unfortunately there isn't much that can be done for drivers who don't obey the rules of the road.

Councillor Keith asked Mr. Brown about the 3 way stop on Isabella and Beatty Street? How is it working out? Mr. Brown replied that the signs are up and flashing but he recently witnessed someone going through the stop sign just the other day so it will take a little time to get used to it. The OPP are ticketing offenders as required.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Letter from Steve Gingrich of Gingrich & Harris

Re: Financial Letter regarding Audit of Town of Parry Sound's 2014 Financial Statements

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Director of Finance and POA Courts Services for follow-up)

4.2 Letter with local signatures from Tudhope Street

Re: Request for ditch improvements on Tudhope Street. No contact name or telephone number provided.

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Director of Public Works for follow-up. Correspondence was sent by the Deputy Clerk to the fax number provided to ask for addresses and telephone numbers of signatories and contact information for follow-up, as there was no cover letter. To date Connie MacDonald called and provided her name and telephone number for follow-up. She is not planning to present the petition to Council.)

4.3 Letter from Mayor McGarvey to Mayor and Council

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Re: Request to re-establish a West Parry Sound Recreation Centre Advisory Committee. Letter sent to our Council and all West Parry Sound Municipalities and to Wasauksing and Shawanaga First Nations.

(The letter was retained internally for filing)

4.4 The Family of Lynn Stephenson

Re: Thank you letter for a charitable contribution from Mayor and Staff on behalf of Lynn Stephenson.

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and posted on staff bulletin board)

4.5 FONOM - July 27, 2015

Re: The Federation of Northern Municipalities' Board travels to the President's Community of Kapuskasing for the regular meeting of the Board.

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and filed.)

4.6 AMO Watchfile - July 16, July 23 and July 30, 2015

Re: Municipal Government Industry News

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and attached to e-agenda)

4.7 Dan Mathieson, Chair, MPAC Board of Directors

Re: Closure of Parry Sound office and relocation to Bracebridge by the end of 2015 and further consolidation of Parry Sound/Bracebridge to Gravenhurst in 2016.

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(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to Director of Finance and POA Court Services for file)

5. Deputations

5.1 Mr. Frank Hinde

Re: Three near misses encountered on Great north Road and Bowes Street while trying to cross the street.

Mr. Hinde cancelled and rescheduled for the September 1, 2015 regular meeting of Council.

5.2 Eric McIntyre

Re: Update on the background of the Atlantic and Seattle Anchors

Mr. McIntyre provided an update on some correspondence that he had obtained from the Coast Guard related to the anchors currently located at Belvedere Heights. A couple of salient points; those who rescued the anchors, Cec Hawkins, Harry Marwood, Garfield Gray, Harry Temple and Bud Stewart handed them over to Mr. McKean of the Department of Transportation who in turn donated them to the Town of Parry Sound and a plaque was made up to go with the anchors. The Town made those plaques. Councillor Borneman had suggested I make a deputation before the Board of Belvedere Heights. They are considering my request and will discuss it at their meeting in August with the potential to make a presentation to their Board in September.

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 Waukesha Diversion Request

Resolution 2015 -

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

Whereas the water levels on Georgian Bay have finally rebounded in 2015 after a long period of decline; and

Whereas the full impact of Climate Change on the Great Lakes Basin remains unknown and requires further study; and

Whereas the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact allows for diversions into a straddling county as a last resort for providing potable water to residents when no other alternative is available; and

Whereas the request by the City of Waukesha, Wisconsin which is located outside the Great Lakes Basin but is located in Waukesha County which is a straddling County between the Great Lakes Basin and the Mississippi River Basin; and

Whereas the technical report does not take into account the decline in industrial use in the City of Waukesha and which report further states that the current potable water aquifers are adequate to meet current and future needs of the City of Waukesha with additional supplemental radium treatment;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council for the Township of The Archipelago objects to the proposed Waukesha Water Diversion proposal and strongly disagrees

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with, and opposes the recommendations/conclusions found in the draft Wisconsin DNR Technical Review and Environmental Impact Statement; and

Further Be It Resolved that the Council for The Archipelago request that the Governors of the eight Great Lakes States and the Premiers of both Ontario and Quebec support the Townships position and object to the Waukesha Diversion Proposal.

The following amendment was proposed:

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That the references to The Archipelago be corrected to read the Town of Parry Sound and the word "Townships" contained in the last paragraph be corrected to read the word Town's.

Carried

Resolution 2015 - 135

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

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Whereas the full impact of Climate Change on the Great Lakes Basin remains unknown and requires further study; and

Whereas the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact allows for diversions into a straddling county as a last resort for providing potable water to residents when no other alternative is available; and

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Whereas the request by the City of Waukesha, Wisconsin which is located outside the Great Lakes Basin but is located in Waukesha County which is a straddling County between the Great Lakes Basin and the Mississippi River Basin; and

Whereas the technical report does not take into account the decline in industrial use in the City of Waukesha and which report further states that the current potable water aquifers are adequate to meet current and future needs of the City of Waukesha with additional supplemental radium treatment;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council for the Town of Parry Sound objects to the proposed Waukesha Water Diversion proposal and strongly disagrees with, and opposes the recommendations/conclusions found in the draft Wisconsin DNR Technical Review and Environmental Impact Statement; and

Further Be It Resolved that the Council for Town of Parry Sound request that the Governors of the eight Great Lakes States and the Premiers of both Ontario and Quebec support the Town's position and object to the Waukesha Diversion Proposal.

Carried

8.2 Re-Establishment of a West Parry Sound Recreation Centre Advisory Committee

Resolution 2015 -

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That a West Parry Sound Recreation Centre Advisory Committee be established consisting of one elected representative of each of the seven West Parry Sound Area Municipalities, Wasauksing and Shawanaga First Nations, one citizen to be appointed by each of the seven municipalities and two First Nations and a member representing each of the Near North School Board (NNSB) and the West Parry Sound Health Centre, and,

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That the committee develop terms of reference to be approved by each of the participating partners, and

That the committee develop an action plan with milestones, ultimately for the consideration of the participating partners.

The following amendment was proposed:

Moved by Councillor Marshall

Seconded by Councillor McCann

and; That the Town's elected representative be Mayor McGarvey and the citizen representative be Peter Istvan.

Carried

The following amendment was proposed

Moved by Bonnie Keith

Seconded by Paul Borneman

That the First Nations of Magnetawan and Henvey Inlet be invited to become part of the West Parry Sound Recreation Centre Advisory Committee; and

That they be requested to each appoint one elected representative and one citizen representative on the committee.

Carried

Resolution 2015 - 136

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Keith

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That a West Parry Sound Recreation Centre Advisory Committee be established consisting of one elected representative of each of the seven West Parry Sound Area Municipalities, Wasauksing and Shawanaga First Nations, one citizen to be appointed by each of the seven municipalities and two First Nations and a member representing each of the Near North School Board (NNSB) and the West Parry Sound Health Centre, and,

That the committee develop terms of reference to be approved by each of the participating partners, and

That the committee develop an action plan with milestones, ultimately for the consideration of the participating partners; and

That the Town's elected representative be Mayor McGarvey and the citizen representative be Peter Istvan; and

That the First Nations of Magnetawan and Henvey Inlet be invited to become part of the West Parry Sound Recreation Centre Advisory Committee; and

That they be requested to each appoint one elected representative and one citizen representative on the committee.

Carried

9. Resolutions and Direction To Staff

9.1 Emergency and Protective Services

9.2 Administration

9.3 Finance and POA Court Services

9.3.1 Operational Review of Finance System

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

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Resolution 2015 - 137

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That Council approves the use of up to \$7,300 from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve for the purpose of conducting a review of the Finance System processes; and

Further that Diamond Municipal Solutions, being the Town's support provider, be contracted to provide the 3-day on site review at a cost of \$6,300 plus taxes and travel costs.

Carried

9.3.2 Approval of Consolidated Financial Statements for the year-ended December 31, 2014

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

Resolution 2015 - 138

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That Council for the Town of Parry Sound does hereby accepts and approves the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, attached as Schedule "A".

Carried

9.3.3 Budget and Control Policy

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

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Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That Council hereby approves the Budget and Financial Controls Policy, attached as Schedule "A", for the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound.

The following amendment to the policy was proposed:

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That the section involving tax rate increases be removed from the Policy.

Councillor Keith requested a recorded vote:

Borneman No

Horne No

Keith Yes

Marshall No

McCann No

Saulnier No

McGarvey No

Defeated

Resolution 2015 - 139

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCann

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That Council hereby approves the Budget and Financial Controls Policy, attached as Schedule "A", for the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound.

Carried

9.4 Public Works

9.4.1 Tender - Winter Sand

Spokesperson: Peter Brown, Director of Public Works

Resolution 2015 - 140

Moved by Councillor Saulnier

Seconded by Councillor Horne

That Council accept the tender from Fowler Construction Company Limited to supply, load, deliver and stack 500 M.T. of winter sand, in the amount of \$15.07/M.T., for a total of \$7,535.00, HST extra, this tender being the lowest tender of two (2) tenders received.

Carried

9.4.2 Tender - Public Library Renovations

Spokesperson: Peter Brown, Director of Public Works

Resolution 2015 -

Moved by Councillor Marshall

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

Whereas the Town of Parry Sound received a grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation on behalf of the Parry Sound Public Library for building renovations; and

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Whereas FAD Architect Inc. recommends that Council accept the tender from Incon Construction Inc. in the amount of \$165,729.60, HST extra, this tender being the lowest tender of three (3) tenders received; and

Whereas the tender exceeds the grant by \$15,729.90;

Therefore Council authorizes the shortfall to be funded by the Emergency Capital Asset Reserve.

The following amendment was proposed:

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That the last paragraph be replaced with:

Therefore Council authorizes the shortfall be funded from the 2015 Operating Budget line item "Capital contribution to PS Library" (GL Account 01-7301-00000-01712).

Carried

Resolution 2015 - 141

Moved by Councillor Marshall

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

Whereas the Town of Parry Sound received a grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation on behalf of the Parry Sound Public Library for building renovations; and

Whereas FAD Architect Inc. recommends that Council accept the tender from Incon Construction Inc. in the amount of \$165,729.60, HST extra, this tender being the lowest tender of three (3) tenders received; and

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Whereas the tender exceeds the grant by \$15,729.90;

Therefore Council authorizes the shortfall be funded from the 2015 Operating Budget line item "Capital contribution to PS Library" (GL Account 01-7301-00000-01712).

Carried

9.5 Development and Leisure Services

9.5.1 Sign Application - Road Allowance in front of 12 College Drive

Spokesperson: John Este, Chief Building Official

Resolution 2015 - 142

Moved by Councillor Horne

Seconded by Councillor Saulnier

That the Chief Building Official is authorized and directed to issue a permit for a temporary sign upon the College Drive road allowance, according to conditions and variances listed in Schedule "A" attached.

Carried

9.5.2 Sign Application - Road Allowance in front of 31 Joseph Street

Spokesperson: John Este, Chief Building Official

Resolution 2015 - 143

Moved by Councillor Marshall

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That the Chief Building Official is authorized, to issue a permit for a temporary sign upon the Joseph Street road allowance, according to conditions and variances listed in

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Schedule "A" attached, and, directed to do so after condition g) in the Schedule is satisfied.

Carried

9.6 Other Business

9.6.1 Closure and Relocation of Parry Sound Office of MPAC to Bracebridge

Spokesperson: Mayor Jamie McGarvey

Mayor McGarvey addressed this issue. MPAC will be closing the Parry Sound office and relocating it to Bracebridge by the end of 2015 and will further consolidate Parry Sound/Bracebridge to Gravenhurst in 2016. Mayor McGarvey indicated that during his discussions with MPAC the suggestion was provided that some MPAC staff may be able to attend the Town office a few days a week. Other municipalities have made these arrangements.

The following motion was proposed:

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCann

Direction Approved (Direct Staff Follow-up)

That Mayor McGarvey send a letter to the Chair of MPAC expressing Council's displeasure at the Parry Sound office closure and to reconsider the move; and

That this letter be copied to all municipalities in the Parry Sound District, the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried

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10. By-laws

10.1 Emergency and Protective Services

10.2 Administration

10.3 Finance and POA Court Services

10.3.1 Amendment to Council Remuneration By-law

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

By-law 2015 - 6554

Being a By-law to amend Schedule "A" of By-law 2008-5173, a By-law respecting remuneration and expenses for members of Council and Local Boards for the Town of Parry Sound.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed this 11th day of August 2015.

10.4 Public Works

10.5 Development and Leisure Services

10.6 Other Business

10.6.1 Confirming By-law

By-law 2015 - 6555

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

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed this 11th day of August 2015.

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11. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Mayor Jamie McGarvey

Rob Mens, CAO/Clerk

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