

MINUTES OF

COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 3, 2015

CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS 60 EAST MAIN STREET

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:48 p.m. and in open session at 7:03 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors M. Carl (6:50 p.m.), J. Chiocchio, P. Chiocchio, T. DiMarco, B. Fokkens, M.A. Grimaldi, J. Larouche (until 8:48 p.m.), R. Letourneau (until 9:05 p.m.), J. Mastroianni, D. McLeod (6:50 p.m.), M. Petrachenko and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

City Clerk, C. Raby

Deputy City Clerk, T. Stephens (7:03 p.m.)

Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, D. Prevost (7:03 p.m.)

General Manager, Corporate Services/Treasurer, S. Zorbas (7:03 p.m.)

General Manager, Human Resources and Legislative Services, R. Mantesso

General Manager, Infrastructure Services/City Engineer, S. lannello (7:03 p.m.)

15-25 Moved by P. Chiocchio and Letourneau

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:48 p.m. to consider:

labour relations or employee negotiations.

CARRIED

15-25 Moved by McLeod and Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:54 p.m. without report.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

<u>15-49</u> Peter Allen, Vice Chair, Food Festival, addressed Council regarding an update on the 2015 Niagara Food Festival.

AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REPORTS

<u>15-37</u> Councillor Fokkens, Chair, Water/Wastewater Ad Hoc Committee, provided a verbal update on the Water/Wastewater Ad Hoc Committee meeting of October 28, 2015.

<u>15-1</u> Moved by P. Chiocchio and Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meetings of October 13 and 20, 2015 and Special Council Meeting of October 26, 2015, as circulated.

CARRIED

99-99 Moved by McLeod and Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives Report FIN-2015-28 regarding the Welland Recreational Canal Corporation Cash Flow Update and related outstanding invoices and authorizes the City Treasurer to implement the following recommendations:

- 1. Process for payment outstanding capital invoices (#1002, #1070 and #1186) in the amount of \$220,134.23 to the Welland Recreational Canal Corporation (WRCC); and
- 2. Deduct \$162,954.49 payable to the City of Welland from monies due to WRCC; and
- 3. Apply net amount owing to WRCC (\$57,179.74) to outstanding 2015 WRCC receivables owed to the City as of September 30, 2015 (\$15,771.07); and further

THAT Welland City Council approves funding of \$138,663 from the Canal Trust Reserve Fund to eliminate the estimated accumulated operating deficit for the WRCC as of December 31, 2015; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the City Treasurer to release \$75,000 to the WRCC in support of the 2015 World Dragon Boat Championships as approved by Council in the 2015 Budget.

99-99 Moved by Letourneau and Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND defer report FIN-2015-28 to the meeting immediately after Council receiving the Governance Report.

YEAS: Councillors J. Chiocchio, DiMarco, Letourneau, P. Chiocchio, Grimaldi, Fokkens, Mastroianni and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Councillors Larouche, Petrachenko, Carl, McLeod and Van Vliet.

03-36 Moved by P. Chiocchio and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts Report ENG-2015-36: Lease Agreement - Welland Snowmobile Club for information; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to renew the lease agreement with the Welland Snowmobile Club to lease 205 Memorial Park Drive for an additional six (6) year term.

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<u>03-36</u> Moved by Van Vliet and Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to renew the lease agreement with the Welland Snowmobile Club to lease 205 Memorial Park Drive until January 1, 2019.

CARRIED

03-36 Moved by Van Vliet and Carl

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND increase the rent to \$2,000.00 a year plus GST for the lease at 205 Memorial Park Drive.

LOST

YEAS: Councillor Van Vliet.

NAYS: Councillors Petrachenko, Carl, J. Chiocchio, McLeod, DiMarco, P. Chiocchio,

Grimaldi, Fokkens, Mastroianni and Mayor Campion.

FOLLOWING THE VOTE ON THE AMENDING MOTION, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED......

(Councillor Van Vliet asked to be recorded as opposed to this motion).

CARRIED

04-124 Moved by P. Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves an increase in the user fees for the Water Meter Tamper Fee as outlined in Report 2015-29; and further

THAT Welland City Council continues employing two (2) Casual Uniform employees to investigate water meters in question; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to amend the appropriate By-law.

CARRIED

05-50

15-10 Moved by Carl and Petrachenko

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Connie McCutcheon to the Heritage Welland Committee as recommended by the Heritage Welland.

CARRIED

06-131 Moved by Carl and Petrachenko

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Exemption to Part Lot Control for Blocks 4, 6, and 7, Plan 59M-404 (62, 72, 82, 92, 100, 106, 111, and 117 Coyle Court) to realize the development of six (6) freehold triplex dwelling units and two (2) semi-detached dwelling units on these lands; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to prepare the necessary By-law.

CARRIED

08-95

15-10 Moved by Carl and Petrachenko

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Dennis Rogers to the North Welland Business Improvement Area Board of Management as recommended by the North Welland Business Improvement Area's Board of Management for the remainder of the term to 2018.

CARRIED

15-37 Moved by Fokkens and Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the verbal report by Councillor Fokkens, Chair, Water/Wastewater Ad Hoc Committee regarding its meeting of October 28, 2015.

CARRIED

<u>15-49</u> Moved by McLeod and Carl

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Peter Allen, Vice Chair, Niagara Food Festival regarding an update on its 2015 activities; and further THAT Welland City Council refers the presentation to the Treasurer for report on possible funding options.

CARRIED

<u>15-103</u> Moved by J. Chiocchio and Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to research costs associated with the beautification of Coyle Creek Pond on Gaiser Road and to include costs associated with stone design, trees, landscaping and a fountain.

15-103 Moved by McLeod and Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND refer the request for beautification of Coyle Creek Pond to the next Budget Review Committee meeting.

CARRIED

15-104 Moved by Carl and Petrachenko

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence dated September 16, 2015 from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority regarding Wetland Conservation in Ontario Discussion Paper.

CARRIED

15-105 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves and accepts the proposal from Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd. of St. Catharines, Ontario, as detailed in Report ENG-2015-37 for engineering services related to infrastructure and roadway improvements to Niagara Street (Regional Road 50) between Thorold Road and Riverbank Street; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws to enter into contract with Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Moved by Carl and Petrachenko

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following Bylaws, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

0<u>6-131</u>

BYL 2015 - 128

A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control – 62, 72, 82, 92, 100, 106, 111 and 117 Coyle Court, in the Coyle Creek Estates Phase 6 Subdivision (Blocks 4, 6 and 7, Plan 59M-404), City of Welland.

CARRIED

Moved by DiMarco and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following Bylaws, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, as amended, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

15-105

BYL 2015 - 129

A By-law to authorize retention of Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd. for infrastructure and road improvements to Niagara Street (Regional Road 50) between Thorold Road and Riverbank Street.

03-36

BYL 2015 - 130

A By-law to authorize an extension agreement with Welland Snowmobile Club to lease 205 Memorial Park Drive.

CARRIED

Moved by Mastroianni and P. Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-law, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

15-1

BYL 2015 - 131

A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 3rd day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

Councillor McLeod gave Notice of Motion to the following issue to be presented to Council at the November 17, 2015 Regular Council Meeting:

99-99 WHEREAS the Council of the City of Welland has delayed its important decision on how to handle outstanding operating deficits of the WRCC;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Welland has also delayed payment of Accounts Receivables due to the WRCC:

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Welland has approved 2015 funding which has not been fully disbursed to the WRCC in accordance with normal practices;

AND WHEREAS local businesses and vendors have provided goods and services in good faith; AND WHEREAS the timing of legitimate payments and funding due to the WRCC is now indeterminable;

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND provides a loan in an amount the amount of \$213000, to ensure the continued operation of the WRCC, allows them to meet cash flow obligations, and facilitates payments to vendors and local businesses; and further

THAT the loan be secured by non-disbursed funding allocated to the WRCC, the net difference in receivables versus payables due to the WRCC and any remaining balance be secured by the Trust Fund to minimize any financial risk to the taxpayer.

Council adjourned at 9:42 p.m.
These Minutes approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 17 th day of November, 2015.

MAYOR