

MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING Integrated Services and Corporate Services

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

Meeting Number G.C. 2015 - 01

Members Present:

Vice Mayor Pat Chiocchio

M. Carl (5:53 p.m.) F. Campion J. Chiocchio B. Fokkens M.A. Grimaldi J. Larouche (5:52 p.m.) R. Letourneau J. Mastroianni D. McLeod M. Petrachenko (5:59 p.m.) L. Van Vliet

Members of the Staff Present:

Interim City Manager/General Manager, Integrated Services, J. Loveys Smith Deputy City Clerk, L. Bubanko General Manager, Human Resources and Legislative Services, R. Mantesso Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, D. Prevost General Manager, Infrastructure Services/City Engineer, S. Iannello Recording Secretary, Games Licensing & Committee Clerk, T. Stephens

Vice Mayor Pat Chiocchio called the General Committee Meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

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1. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA: Nil

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST: NII

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 13, 2014

Moved by McLeod that the Minutes of the General Committee Meeting of May 13, 2014 be and the same are hereby approved and adopted.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: NII

5. AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REPORT(S):

<u>15-43</u> Tim Clutterbuck, and Ross Peever, members, Welland Hydro Sustainable Energy Committee, regarding Solar Opportunities.

Mr. Clutterbuck provided information and the benefits regarding the 2015 IESO/OPA Small Fit Procurement Program and Large Renewal Energy Procurement Program to the committee. He discussed the potential location and specifics of the land for the solar panels. The committee enquired about the timeframe of completion, potential partnership opportunities, and how the public would be involved with the process. Mr. Clutterbuck and Mr. Peever advised there would be public meetings held to provide information and receive input from residents. They advised there are some groups who are interested in partnership opportunities at this point, and the timeframe for completion, depending on when the program begins, could be in two to three years.

Moved by Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Tim Clutterbuck, and Ross Peever, members, Welland Hydro Sustainable Energy Committee (SEC), at the General Committee Meeting of February 10, 2015 regarding Solar Opportunities; and further

THAT Welland City Council supports the potential solar development of the canal lands in principle; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the SEC to move forward with an RFP process and report back to Council for review.

CARRIED

6. STAFF REPORTS:

INTEGRATED SERVICES – L. Van Vliet, Chair

Fire & Emergency Services

<u>F&ES-2015-01</u> - Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, D. Prevost – Results of environmental assessments at 425 King – 153 Lincoln Streets, Future Fire Station Location. Ref. No. 15-15

The committee enquired about the time frame of completion and current land costs for the future fire station location. Staff advised the timeframe was provided in the Phase I report, which they will provide to new council members. The entire cost of the land was provided to the



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committee. Staff discussed the minor brownfield property issues that need to be eliminated before development begins on the property.

Moved by Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report F&ES-2015-01 "Results of Environmental Assessment at 425 King-153 Lincoln Streets, Future Fire Station Location.

CARRIED

Engineering Division

<u>ENG-2015-01</u> - Gen. Mgr., Infrastructure Services/City Engineer, S. lannello – Filling of vacancy – Engineering Design Supervisor. Ref. No. 15-24

The committee questioned why the two positions (Engineering Design Supervisor and Facilities Foreman) could not be combined into one position in order to eliminate a position and save tax payer money. Staff advised that combining the positions would not be suitable in this area because each position requires different expertise and job descriptions. One position requires the individual to be out in the field and the other requires the individual to be in the office.

Moved by Campion

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report ENG-2015-01 on the filling of the vacancy in the Engineering Division of Infrastructure Services for the position of Engineering Design Supervisor.

CARRIED

<u>ENG-2015-02</u> - Gen. Mgr., Infrastructure Services/City Engineer, S. lannello – Vacancy replacement – Facilities Foreman. Ref. No. 15-24

Moved by McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information REPORT ENG-2015-02 on the replacement of the vacancy in the Public Works Division of Infrastructure Services for the position of Facilities Foreman; and further

That Welland City Council authorizes the General Manager, Human Resources to initiate hiring procedures for the replacement of this position.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES – D. McLeod, Chair

City Manager

<u>CM-2015-01</u> - Interim City Manager/Gen. Mgr., Integrated Services, J. Loveys Smith – 2014-2018 Goal Setting – Validation Stage. Ref. No. 15-48

Staff advised the committee that the information included in the report was received at the Workplan Implementation Meeting of January 27, 2015. The purpose of the review is to ensure that all of the committee members' suggestions and comments are captured correctly. The committee advised of changes, and enquired as to how the public will provide input. Staff informed the committee that there are a number of methods that would be considered for



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public input and that a report would be coming back to council for further discussion regarding the items listed with a timeframe for completion.

Moved by Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the Memorandum regarding 2014-2018 Goal Setting – Validation Stage, as amended, and directs staff to proceed with public consultation.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Interim City Manager/Gen. Mgr., Integrated Services, J. Loveys Smith – Interim City Manager's Work Plan. Ref. No. 06-84/09-75/15-19/10-108

The Draft Work Plan was discussed including ways to engage staff and public participation in creating the work plan. The committee outlined the importance of increasing employee moral and possible work initiatives to encourage a positive attitude in employees.

Moved by Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the Memorandum regarding the Interim City Manager's Draft Work Plan.

8. OUTSTANDING COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS SUMMARY AS OF JANUARY 28, 2015

The committee requested that the summary be provided on a monthly basis at a General Committee meeting. It was suggested that the actual motion be listed with additional information to remind the committee of the item(s) and past discussion(s). Prioritizing time sensitive items was suggested to ensure they are not missed.

9. The General Committee Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.