



# **MINUTES OF THE**

# **NOVEMBER 7, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING**

CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS 60 EAST MAIN STREET

# AMENDED\*

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:30 p.m. and in open session at 7:00 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

#### **Members Present:**

Councillors J. Chiocchio (virtual 6:36 p.m.), B. Fokkens (virtual), B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi (virtual 6:36 p.m.), D. McLeod, A. Moote, S. Setaram (virtual), G. Speck (virtual 7:00 p.m.), and L. Van Vliet.

#### Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, R. Axiak Deputy City Clerk, L. Bubanko Interim Director of Finance/Chief Finance Officer/Treasurer, E. Pankoff Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday Manager of Economic Development, L. DeChellis Temporary Deputy Chief Building Official, L. Grellette (until 7:24 p.m.) Chief Building Official, J. Tosta (until 7:24 p.m.)

#### 2023 - 481

23-25 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:30 p.m. to consider:

- Security of the property of the municipality or local board:
  - Fire Station 1 Grant Update.

#### CARRIED

#### 2023 - 482

23-25 Moved by McLeod and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:39 p.m. with report.

CARRIED

# PUBLIC MEETING PURSUANT TO CITY OF WELLAND BY-LAW 2013-127

# 05-120

22-38 Public Meeting to increase permit fees under Section 7 of the Building Code Act.

- No one spoke.

There being no speakers, the public meeting was concluded.

(Councillor McLeod disclosed an interest in a matter and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his employer is subject to the increase permit fees).

# DELEGATIONS

**23-28** Carol Nagy, Executive Director, Hospice Niagara addressed Council regarding an update on Hospice Palliative Care - Approved Expansions in Niagara Region.

#### 2023 - 483

23-1 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 17, 2023 and Special Council Meeting of October 24, 2023, as circulated.

#### CARRIED

#### 2023 - 484

23-4 Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to review the Reserve Fund descriptions for nomenclature updates and recommend to Welland City Council any changes; and

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to update By-Law 2003-37: A By-Law to establish reserves and to establish procedures for the use of reserve funds - to reflect the current reserve fund listing; and further THAT these reports be brought to Welland City Council by November 21, 2023 so that a current By-law and fund descriptions are available for 2023 Budget deliberations.

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23-4 Moved by Fokkens and McLeod

THAT the date for a By-law be amended from November 21, 2023 to May, 2024.

CARRIED

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

### 2023 - 485

23-22 Moved by McLeod and Moote

WHEREAS, some residents feel the speed camera on Rice Road is excessively punitive; and

WHEREAS, some residents are or will be receiving multiple tickets because of the lag in delivery; and

WHEREAS, some residents have stated they will no longer use this portion of roadway to avoid further tickets; and

WHEREAS, the camera will now have the effect of putting more traffic on First Avenue and Clare Avenue; and

WHEREAS, it is plausible that the camera may not be making our road system as a whole meaningfully safer; and

WHEREAS, the Region of Niagara has all the data in relation to tickets issued, including: fine amount; speed; time of day and repeat offenders.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests that the Region of Niagara complete an immediate review of the speed camera pilot program in order to ensure the parameters in which it is operating, matches overall community safety objectives.

YEAS: Green, McLeod, Grimaldi, Setaram, Moote and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Speck, Chiocchio, Fokkens and Van Vliet.

#### CARRIED

#### 2023 - 486

23-28 Moved by Green and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Carol Nagy, Executive Director, Hospice Niagara regarding an update on Hospice Palliative Care - Approved Expansions in Niagara Region.

CARRIED

#### 2023 - 487

23-74 Moved by Chiocchio and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Family Physician Incentive Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Welland and Dr. Wael M. Shublaq; and

That Welland City Council directs staff to prepare all the necessary documentation and By-laws; and further

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute all the necessary documents.

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

#### CARRIED

# 2023 - 488

23-110 Moved by Fokkens and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the tender price from Provincial Construction (Niagara Falls) Limited in the amount of \$5,218,245.16 (plus HST) being the lowest received for the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth Streets Sanitary Sewer Replacements tender; and

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the necessary By-law and documents to execute the project; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents and agreements for the contract.

#### CARRIED

# BY- LAWS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (IN-CAMERA)

Moved by Green and McLeod (in block)

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.

<u>23-15</u>

BYL 2023 - 150 A By-law to authorize entering into an agreement with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Regional Municipality of Niagara to secure a grant for Fire Hall #1.

CARRIED

# **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Fokkens 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, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

#### <u>23-74</u>

BYL 2023 - 151 A By-law to authorize entering into a Family Physician Incentive Agreement with Family Physicians.

#### (Councillor Van Vliet asked to be recorded as opposed to this By-Law)

#### <u>23-110</u>

BYL 2023 - 152 A By-law to authorize entering into a contract with Provincial Construction (Niagara Falls) Limited for the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Streets Sanitary Sewer Replacements Project.

#### CARRIED

Moved by Green and McLeod (in block)

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.

#### <u>23-131</u>

BYL 2023 - 153 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Parts 1 to 3 (inclusive) on Plan 59R-17839, Part of Lots 7 and 8, Registered Plan 606 (87, 91, 95 Downs Drive) City of Welland.

CARRIED

Moved by Van Vliet and Moote

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.

<u>23-1</u>

BYL 2023 - 154

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 21st day of November, 2023.