

# **MINUTES OF THE**

# **JUNE 27, 2023 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

# CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS 60 EAST MAIN STREET

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 5:05 p.m. and in open session at 6:04 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

## **Members Present:**

Councillors J. Chiocchio, T. DiMarco (until 5:33 p.m.), B. Fokkens (virtual), B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi (virtual), J. Lee, D. McLeod (5:15 p.m.), A. Moote (7:09 p.m.), S. Setaram (6:23 p.m.), G. Speck (virtual), and L. Van Vliet.

# **Members of Staff and Others Present:**

Chief Administrative Officer/Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday

City Clerk, T. Stephens

Director of Finance/CFO/Treasurer, S. Fairweather

Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart (until 5:47 p.m.)

Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar

Director of Community Services, R. Axiak

Manager of Human Resources, A. Daisley (until 5:33 p.m.)

Manager of Economic Development, L. DeChellis (until 8:50 p.m.)

Manager of Business & Community Services, A. Degazio

Supervisor of Aquatics & Recreation Programs, N. Pilote (6:25 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.)

Manager of Parks and Open Spaces, D. Steven (6:45 p.m.)

23-25 Moved by Van Vliet and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 5:05 p.m. to consider:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and
  - Citizen appointment to the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee.
  - Crossing Guard Negotiations Update.
  - Volunteer Firefighter Contract.
- Under the Business Corporations Act Welland Hydro-Electric Holding Corporation.
  - Welland Hydro-Electric Holdings Corporation Annual General Meeting Election and Confirmation of Directors.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 328

23-25 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:01p.m. with report.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting was recessed at 6:20 p.m. to hold the Welland Hydro Annual General Meeting.

Reconvene Special Council Meeting at 6:50 p.m.

# **DELEGATIONS**

<u>07-144</u> Lina DeChellis, Manager of Economic Development addressed Council regarding an update on the Economic Development Office Activities.

**23-94** Grant Munday, Director of Planning & Development Services addressed Council regarding Housing Accelerator Fund.

#### 2023 - 329

**02-160** Moved by Chiocchio and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND suspend the rules to bring forward a motion to hold an in-camera meeting in the future.

**CARRIED** 

# 2023 - 330

<u>02-160</u> Moved by Chiocchio and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests an In-Camera Meeting be held on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to discuss personnel matters about an identifiable individual, and only the Mayor, Council and City Clerk to be present at the meeting.

CARRIED

# 2023 - 331

99-99 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the Recreational Canal Safety Plan (RCSP).

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in this matter and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, and refrained from voting thereon, as he provides apparel to one of the user groups.)

**02-160** Moved by McLeod and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information, Report CLK-2023-16: Council Seating Policy; and further

THAT Welland City Council approves the Council Seating Policy attached as Appendix I of this report, to be effective the next term of council in 2026.

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## **02-160** Moved by Speck and Green

THAT Welland City Council refers back to staff Report CLK-2023-16: Council Seating policy.

YEAS: Lee, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, Setaram and Fokkens.

NAYS: McLeod, Grimaldi, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**CARRIED** 

# Action Items/Direction to Staff:

Provide two (2) options, pairing the wards and splitting them.

#### 2023 - 333

**07-144** Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report EDO-2023-13 an update presentation from the Economic Development Office on Economic Development Activities; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to provide Economic Development updates at regular council meetings in June and December of each year.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 334

08-143 Moved by Fokkens and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2023-15: Welland Hospital Task Force; and

THAT Welland City Council approves the establishment of a Welland Hospital Task Force: and further THAT Welland City Council approves the Terms of Reference as attached as "Appendix I".

#### **08-143** Moved by Fokkens and Chiocchio

THAT the Terms of Reference be amended to include "at a minimum of a quarterly basis", in the fourth bullet under "mandate".

**CARRIED** 

# **08-143** Moved by McLeod and Moote

THAT the Mayor serves as a liaison on the Committee.

YEAS: Lee, Mcleod, Moote and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Green, Speck, Chiocchio, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens and Van Vliet.

LOST

# FOLLOWING THE LOST MOTION TO AMEND, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED AND ......

**CARRIED** 

# 2023 - 335

**13-50** Moved by Lee and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from Niagara Central Airport Commission dated June 5, 2023 regarding Regional Road #529 (River Road) - Road Condition.

20-97 Moved by Fokkens and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves extension to Draft Plan Approval for the Dain East Plan of Subdivision (File: 26T-14-06002) for an additional three (3) years to September 6, 2026; and further

THAT Welland City Council approves a policy amendment to allow for the Dain City Subdivision to be provided with an Extension to Draft Plan of Subdivision Approval for three (3) years which exceeds the one (1) year extension provided through Policy SER-012-0014.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 337

23-19 Moved by McLeod and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the city to enter into an agreement with LIVEBARN INC. ("LiveBarn") for live and on-demand video streaming at the Welland Arenas; and further THAT Welland City Council directs the Mayor and City Clerk to act on behalf of the City to execute an agreement with LIVEBARN INC. ("LiveBarn").

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 338

<u>23-19</u> Moved by Fokkens and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the tender of D&R Landscape Group Inc. at the tendered price of \$215,000 plus HST for the supply and installation of playground equipment and site improvements for Chaffey Street Park as detailed in Report CS-2023-22; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare all necessary By-laws and documents to enter into an agreement with D&R Landscape Group Inc. to be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk to carry out construction.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 339

23-45 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the staff recommendation to award the insurance adjuster services to Sedgwick Canada Inc.; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the Mayor and Clerk to prepare any necessary By-laws to enter into an Agreement for said services.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 340

23-56 Moved by Van Vliet and Green

- 1.THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the tender price from Peters Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$1,778,984.60 (plus HST) being the lowest received for the Lead Service Replacement Program (City Side) tender; and
- 2.THAT Welland City Council approves the allocation of funding as outlined in this report; and
- 3.THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the necessary By-law and documents to execute the project; and further
- 4.THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents and agreements for the contract.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2023 - 341

23-58 Moved by Speck and Moote

- 1.THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND awards Rankin Construction Inc. the Road Resurfacing contract in the amount of \$1,534,425.00 (plus HST); and
- 2.THAT Welland City Council approves the substitution of road segments as outlined in this report; and 3.THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the necessary By-law and documents to execute the contract; and further
- 4.THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents to execute the contract.

23-74 Moved by Green and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves a budget of \$1,000,000.00 for a physician recruitment incentive program; and further

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute all the necessary documents between the Corporation of the City of Welland and the Physician; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to use the Economic Development Reserve Fund as the funding source.

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# 23-74 Moved by McLeod and

THAT Welland City Council refers back to staff Report EDO-2023-12: Physician Recruitment Incentive.

**NOT PUT** 

# <u>23-74</u> Moved by McLeod and Chiocchio

THAT staff provide a targeted incentive breakdown of incentives for taking on a practice or establishing a new roster of patients to be included in the \$1,000,000 budget.

**YEAS:** Green, Chiocchio, McLeod, Moote and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Lee, Speck, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens and Van Vliet.

LOST

# FOLLOWING THE LOST MOTION TO AMEND, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND .....

**YEAS:** Lee, Green, Speck, McLeod, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens, Moote and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Chiocchio and Van Vliet.

**CARRIED** 

## 2023 - 343

23-87 Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the award to Staples Professional in the amount of \$304,372.35 (excluding HST) for the provision and installation of workstations at Civic Square (second floor); and further

THAT Welland City Council directs purchasing staff to issue a purchase order for this acquisition.

**CARRIED** 

# 2023 - 344

<u>23-92</u> Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated June 6, 2023 regarding the maintenance of Fort Erie Urgent Care Centre Hours of Operation.

**CARRIED** 

## 2023 - 345

23-93 Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the City of Port Colborne dated June 14, 2023 regarding the maintenance of Port Colborne Urgent Care Centre hours of operation.

23-94 Moved by Van Vliet and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to submit an Application under the CMHC Housing Accelerator Fund; and

THAT Welland City Council approved the proposed Housing Action Plan attached as Appendix II; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign any documents to give effect to Councils decision.

**YEAS:** Lee, Green, Speck, McLeod, Grimaldi, Setaram, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Chiocchio and Fokkens.

**CARRIED** 

2023 - 347

23-94 Moved by Lee and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Housing Target and Pledge as outlined in Report P&B-2023-30; and further

THAT Welland City Council requests the City Clerk send a copy of this report to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affair and Housing

**CARRIED** 

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

2023 - 348

05-141 Moved by Van Vliet and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Holly Treddenick to the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee from June 27, 2023 to November 15, 2026.

**CARRIED** 

## **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Grimaldi and Green

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.

## 23-19

BYL 2023 - 99

A By-law to authorize entering into an agreement with Livebarn Inc. for Live and On-Demand Video Streaming at the Welland Arenas.

#### 23-45

BYL 2023 - 100

A By-law to authorize entering into contract with Sedgwick Canada Inc. for Insurance Adjuster Services.

#### 23-58

BYL 2023 - 101

A By-law to authorize entering into contract with Rankin Construction Inc. for the 2023 Road Resurfacing Project.

#### 23-19

BYL 2023 - 102

A By-law to authorize entering into contract with D&R Landscaping Group Inc. for the supply and installation of playground equipment and site improvements for Chaffey Street Park.

#### Moved by Van Vliet and Green

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.

#### 23-56

BYL 2023 - 103

A By-law to authorize entering contract with Peters Excavating Inc. for the Lead Service Replacement Program (City Side) Project.

**CARRIED** 

# Moved by Van Vliet and Grimaldi

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.

#### 23-1

BYL 2023 - 104

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 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

**CARRIED** 

Council adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 18th day of July, 2023.

MAYOR	CITY CLERK