



**CITY OF  
Welland**

**MINUTES OF THE**

**APRIL 23, 2024 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 7:02 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

**Members Present:**

Councillors J. Chiocchio, T. DiMarco (virtual until 7:50 p.m.), B. Fokkens, B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi, J. Lee (virtual), D. McLeod, A. Moote, C. Richard, S. Setaram (5:44 p.m.), G. Speck, and L. Van Vliet.

**Members of Staff and Others Present:**

Chief Administrative Officer, R. Axiak

City Clerk, T. Stephens

General Manager of Corporate & Enterprise Services/CFO, S. Nagel

Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart (virtual)

Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar (virtual)

Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday (virtual)

Manager of Economic Development, L. DeChellis (virtual until 6:52 p.m.)

Manager of Human Resources, A. Daisley (until 6:52 p.m.)

(Callum Shedden, Lawyer, was present during Committee-of-the-Whole discussion on receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose).

(Kim Mullin, Lawyer, was present during Committee-of-the-Whole discussion on a litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board).

**2024 - 120**

**24-25** Moved by Grimaldi 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 5:05 p.m. to consider:

- Receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose:
  - Memorandum from Callum Shedden re: 50 Bruce Street – Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal.
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board;
  - Legal Opinion – Request from Solicitor for the owners of Hunter’s Point Subdivision to remove condition of approval for an overpass.
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
  - Non-Union Compensation – Bands 1-3 Options.
- Proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
  - Northern Reach Update.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 121**

**24-25** Moved by Richard and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:52 p.m. with report.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 122**

**24-1** Moved by McLeod and Richard

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meetings of April 2 and 9, 2024, as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 123**

**99-90** Moved by Setaram and Speck

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the request from the Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area to appoint Darren DiMarco and Jane Buick, Directors on the Board of Management effective April 23, 2024.

**(Councillor McLeod disclosed an interest in a matter and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as he has an interest in a property that is subject to the Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area levy).**

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 124**

**20-70** Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives and supports the correspondence from the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiatives regarding the Economic Transformation Resolution.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 125**

**24-3** Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the memorandum regarding approved lottery license eligibility for École élémentaire Sacré-Coeur.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 126**

**24-22** Moved by Setaram and Richard

That the Council of the City of Welland directs staff to prepare a report for Council to consider amending the City’s zoning bylaw 2017- 117 to include a requirement for visitor parking, as well as reviewing the parking requirements spaces per dwelling units in the surrounding municipalities.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 127**

**24-22** Moved by Chiocchio and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves lowering 50 km per hour speed limits to 40 km per hour speed limits to reduce accident impacts and to keep our community safe.

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**24-22** Moved by Fokkens and Grimaldi

THAT Welland City Council refers back to staff the Notice of Motion regarding lowering 50 km per hour speed limits to 40 km per hour speed limits to reduce accident impacts and to keep our community safe.

**CARRIED**

**Action Items/Direction to Staff:**

- Identify which roads will be affected.
- Cost to reduce speed limits, such as signage, notifying the public.
- Process to inform public.
- Review St. Catharines processes/implementation.

**2024 - 128**

**24-32** Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Social and Economic Prosperity Review (Appendix I) along with report (REPORT FIN-2024-10) for information; and further THAT Welland City Council supports and endorses the Region of Niagara’s motion CSC-C 4-2024- New Funding Model Resolution (Appendix II); and further THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Finance; local MPP’s and local MP’s; and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 129**

**24-32** Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives and endorses the correspondence from the Region of Niagara dated March 22, 2024 regarding the new funding model resolution.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 130**

**24-52** Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from the Town of Lincoln dated February 28, 2024 regarding urgent need for increased funding to libraries and museums in Ontario.

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**24-52** Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT Welland City Council amends “receives for information and endorses”.

**CARRIED**

**FOLLOWING THE APPROVED MOTION TO AMEND, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED AND .....**

**24-52** Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and endorses the correspondence from the Town of Lincoln dated February 28, 2024 regarding urgent need for increased funding to libraries and museums in Ontario.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 131**

**24-57** Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives and supports the correspondence from the Region of Niagara dated March 21, 2024 regarding motion respecting Federal Infrastructure Investment.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 132****24-58** Moved by Fokkens and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the stopping up and closing of Canal Bank Street designated as Part 1 on Plan 59R-17646; and THAT Welland City Council authorizes the lay out, establishment and naming of Canal Bank Street described as Part 1 and 2 on Plan 59R-17481; and further THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to prepare the necessary By-law(s) and processes.

**CARRIED****2024 - 133****24-59** Moved by McLeod and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the inclusion and procurement of an additional piece of equipment which can perform both sidewalk snow clearing and grass cutting, funded by development charges.

**CARRIED****BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (IN-CAMERA)****2024 - 134****24-24** Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves option # 2, effective May 1, 2024 for Pay Bands 1-3.

**CARRIED****BY-LAWS**

Moved by Moote and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-laws, 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.

**24-58**

Byl 2024 - 28

A By-law to authorize the Stopping-Up and Closing of a portion of Canal Bank Street between Townline Tunnel Road and Forks Road.

**24-58**

BYL 2024 - 29

A By-law to Lay Out, Establish and Name Part 1 and 2, Plan 59R-17481 as Canal Bank Street.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Van Vliet and Green (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-laws, 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.

**23-82**

BYL 2024 - 30

A By-Law to repeal By-Law 2023-79 being a By-law to authorize acceptance of an offer to purchase from Marc Gauvin on behalf of a Corporation to be incorporated to purchase city owned lands located at 460 River Road.

**05-120**

BYL 2024 - 31

A By-law to amend By-law 2020-140, being a By-law under the Building Code Act respecting Construction, Demolition, Change of Use, Occupancy, Transfer of Permits and Inspections.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Moote and Van Vliet

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.

**24-1**

BYL 2024 - 32

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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

**CARRIED**

Council adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.