



**CITY OF  
Welland**

**MINUTES OF THE**

**MAY 14, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING**

**CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
60 EAST MAIN STREET**

Council met in open session at 7:04 p.m. on the above date.

Vice Mayor Claudette Richard as Chair.

**Members Present:**

Councillors J. Chiochio, T. DiMarco (virtual at 7:45 p.m.), B. Fokkens (virtual), B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi (virtual), J. Lee, D. McLeod, A. Moote (7:07 p.m.), S. Setaram, G. Speck (7:10 p.m.), and L. Van Vliet (virtual).

**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

Director of Community Services, J. Ruddell

Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar

Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday

Manager of Business & Community Services, A. Degazio (until 9:00 p.m.)

## **LEGISLATED PUBLIC HEARINGS PURSUANT TO THE PLANNING ACT**

Councillor Speck presided as Chair of the Public Hearing:

**24-64** Applications for Official Plan Amendment (OPA No. 51) and Zoning By-Law Amendment (2024-04) submitted by The Biglieri Group Ltd. on behalf of Ambria (First-Welland) Limited for lands Municipally known as 744 First Avenue, Welland.

Grant Munday confirmed that the statutory requirements for public hearing had been met, summarized the purpose of the hearing and reviewed the Planning Division Report.

Rachelle Larocque, Marcus Martins and Vince Baffa, Biglieri Group Inc., 21 King Street West, Hamilton, ON L8P 4W7 on behalf of the applicant.

### **In support of the application:**

- No one spoke to the application.

There being no persons present to speak in support of the application, the Chair asked for those opposing the application.

### **In opposition of the application:**

- No one spoke to the application.

There being no persons present to speak in opposition to the application, the hearing was concluded.

## **DELEGATIONS**

**24-6** Brett Sweeney, Director of Communications and Community Engagement, FACS Niagara Foundation addressed Council regarding its 3rd Annual Mountainview Lemon AID Day.

## **2024 - 154**

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

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 7, 2024, as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 155****08-95****24-4** Moved by Green and McLeod (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the 2024 budget from the North Welland Business Improvement Area Board as recommended by their board in the amount of \$59,180; and further THAT Welland City Council authorizes the General Manager of Corporate and Enterprise Services/CFO to make arrangements to levy an amount of \$59,180 against the business operations within the defined area on condition that the required financial statements are submitted to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Corporate and Enterprise Services/CFO.

**CARRIED****2024 - 156****12-113** Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves proceeding with a lease between the City of Welland and the Welland Tennis Club as summarized in Report CS-2024-10; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all the necessary and appropriate By-laws to enter into a lease agreement with the Welland Tennis Club to be signed by the City Clerk and Mayor.

**CARRIED****2024 - 157****24-4** Moved by Chiocchio and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the Manager of Budgets and Financial Reporting/Acting Treasurer to request the Regional Municipality of Niagara to issue debentures in the amount of \$12,000,000 in accordance with the terms of the various authorizing By-laws outlined in Appendix I; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the Manager of Budgets and Financial Reporting/Acting Treasurer to make available certified copies of all applicable By-laws and Ministry of Environment Certificates if applicable and all other information required in connection thereto to ensure the authorization of the issuance of the debentures in the amount of \$12,000,000 for the projects described in Appendix I; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all the necessary and appropriate By-laws for debenture financing arrangements.

**CARRIED****2024 - 158****24-6** Moved by McLeod and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation from the FACS Niagara Foundation regarding the 3rd Annual Mountainview LemonAID DAY; and further

THAT Welland City Council declares June 8, 2024 as "Mountainview LemonAID DAY" the City of Welland.

**CARRIED**

**2024 - 159****24-6** Moved by Green and McLeod (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND proclaims May 14, 2024 as "Apraxia Awareness Day" in the City of Welland.

**CARRIED****2024 - 160****24-22** Moved by Green and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to create a report on increasing the maximum yearly eligible amount per resident under the Rodent Rebate program.

**CARRIED****2024 - 161****24-41** Moved by Green and McLeod (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the tender from Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$933,712.00 (plus HST) being the lowest bid received for the 2024 Road Resurfacing contract; and further THAT Welland Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign all necessary documents to execute the project.

**CARRIED****2024 - 162****24-64** Moved by Green and McLeod (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report P&B 2024-14 regarding applications for Official Plan Amendment (OPA No. 51), and Zoning By-law Amendment (2024-04) for lands on the east side of First Avenue, north of Quaker Road, west of Niagara Street, south of Merrit Road, municipally known as 744 First Avenue.

**YEAS:** Lee, Green, Speck, Chiochio, McLeod, Richard, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens, Moote and Van Vliet.

**NAYS:** DiMarco.

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

Moved by Moote and Setaram

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.

**24-41**

BYL 2024 - 38

A By-law to authorize entering into a contract with Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd. for the 2024 Road Resurfacing Project.

**12-113**

BYL 2024 - 39

A By-law to authorize entering into a lease agreement with the Welland Tennis Club for use of 45 Hooker Street.

**24-4**

BYL 2024 - 40

A By-law to authorize application to the Regional Municipality of Niagara for the issue of debentures for the year 2024.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

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.

**24-22**

BYL 2024 - 41

A By-law to amend Appointment By-laws 2018-48, 2018-49 and 2018-50.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Moote and Lee

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 - 42

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 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

**CARRIED**

Council adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.