



**MINUTES OF
COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 18, 2008**

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

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:16 p.m. and in open session at 7:41 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Damian Goulbourne in the Chair.

The open meeting commenced with the playing of the National Anthem.

Members Present:

Councillors R. Alakas, D. Alexander, M. Belcastro, P. Chiochio, M. Dzugan, J. Larouche, P. Grenier, R. Letourneau, S. O'Dell, B. Sharpe and L. Van Vliet.

Members of the Staff and Others Present:

City Manager, C. Stirtzinger

City Clerk, B. Gallaccio (until 7:29 p.m.)

Deputy Clerk, B. Nistico-Dunk (7:00 p.m.)

General Manager, Engineering, Public Works & Transportation Services/City Engineer, S. Iannello (7:15 p.m.)

General Manager, Financial & Corporate Services/Treasurer, B. Silvestri

General Manager, Human Resources, R. Mantesso

General Manager, Parks, Facilities, & Leisure Services, B. Fenwick

General Manager, Planning & Development Services, D. Thorpe

Communications Assistant, C. Mintoff (7:41 p.m.)

Manager, Traffic and Parking Operations, D. Ferguson (7:41 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)

Transit Manager, A. Stockwell (7:41 p.m.)

08-25 Moved by Alakas and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:16 p.m. to consider:

- a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; and in addition the following:
 - proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
 - labour relations or employee negotiations; and
 - matters in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act (MFIPPA).

CARRIED

(Councillor Larouche was not present during Committee-of-the-Whole discussions on a security of property matter of the municipality or local board).

(Councillor Alexander was not present during Committee-of-the-Whole discussions on a security of property matter of the municipality or local board).

08-25 Moved by Letourneau and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:29 p.m.

CARRIED**PRESENTATION:**

Mayor presented a certificate to Ennio Paola in recognition and in appreciation of a successful 150th Anniversary Piano Competition.

Mr. O'Keefe, Chair, 150th Anniversary Committee presented a framed photograph to Mr. Paola.

DELEGATION:

01-35 Neil Ahmed, McCormick Rankin Corporation and Bill Cung, Project Manager, Ministry of Transportation addressed Council regarding an update on Highway 406.

BOARDS, AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS REPORT(S)

05-141 George Doros, Chair, Arts & Culture Advisory Committee addressed Council regarding an update on the Committee's progress.

08-10 Councillor Grenier, Nominating Committee Chair, addressed Council regarding appointments to the following:

- Chair to Community Services Committee,
- Chair to Operational Services Committee,
- Vice Mayors,
- Tourism Advisory Committee; and
- The Niagara Central Airport Commission.

08-127 Councillor Chiocchio, Chair, addressed Council regarding the Health and Wellness Services Growth Plan.

THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE WAS READ:

08-127 Report from Councillor Chiocchio, Chair, Health and Wellness Task Force.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED:

- 02-157** Gen. Mgr., Planning and Development Services, D. Thorpe – Growth Management Strategy – Region of Niagara – Option D – Preferred Growth Option.
- 03-36** A By-law to authorize the entering into an extension agreement with the Welland Snowmobile Club to lease 205 Memorial Park Drive.
- 07-120** Gen. Mgr., Planning and Development Services, D. Thorpe – Rural Addressing – Proposed Street Name Changes – Sign Installation Tender.
- 08-1** 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 18th day of November, 2008.
- 08-12** A By-law to appoint certain Members of Council as Vice-Mayor for four (4) month terms of office for the period commencing December 1st, 2008 and ending November 30th, 2009.
- 08-22** Gen. Mgr. Engineering, Public Works & Transp. Serv./City Engineer, S. Iannello – Parking Restrictions on First Street and Santone Avenue.
- 08-22** A By-law to amend Schedules, “V”, “VI”, “VII” and “XVII” of By-law 89-2000, being a By-law regulating Traffic and Parking within the City of Welland.
- 08-46** A By-law to authorize the purchase of two (2) new 2009 F450 Cab, Chassis, Dump and Plow from Ed Learn Ford.
- 08-46** A By-law to authorize the purchase of one new 2009 Ford F250 Super Cab 4x4 pickup truck and V Plow.
- 08-46** A By-law to authorize the purchase of one new 2009 Dodge Ram 2500 QUAD 4x4 three quarter ton pickup truck.
- 08-127** Gen. Mgr., Planning and Development Services, D. Thorpe – Health and Wellness Services Growth Plan.
- 08-143** Dean Iorfida, City Clerk, City of Niagara Falls re: Niagara Health System.
- 08-143** City Mgr., C. Stirtzinger – Assessment of the potential effects the implementation of the Niagara Health System Hospital Improvement Plan and the report by Dr. Kitts; may have on the City of Welland.
- 08-150** A By-law to authorize the granting of an easement to allow crossing over City lands on the west side of Prince Charles Drive North, north of Fitch Street, for the benefit of the registered owners of 180-200 Fitch Street (Fitch Street Plaza).

08-1 Moved by Grenier and Sharpe
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meetings of October 28, 2008 and November 4, 2008, as circulated.

CARRIED

01-35 Moved by Grenier and Dzugan

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Neil Ahmed, McCormick Rankin Corporation and Bill Cung, Project Manager, Ministry of Transportation, regarding an update on Highway 406.

CARRIED

02-157 Moved by Alexander and Grenier

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report PDS-2008-71 with respect to the evolution of Option D as the preferred Growth Option for the Region's Growth Management Strategy.

CARRIED

05-141 Moved by Alakas and Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by George Doros, Chair, Arts & Culture Advisory Committee regarding an update on the Committee's progress.

CARRIED

07-120 Moved by Letourneau and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves and accepts the tender of Clintar Groundskeeping of St. Catharines, Ontario as detailed in Report PDS-2008-68, for the installation of rural addressing signage east of the Welland Canal at the quoted price of \$10,554.75 including applicable PST; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs that letters be forwarded to all property owners on the east side of the Welland Canal who will be receiving signs informing them of the process; and further

THAT Welland City Council reaffirms its request that the Regional Municipality of Niagara renames that portion of East Main Street east of Moyer Road to Schisler Road; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws and documentation.

CARRIED

08-4 Moved by Grenier and Chiochio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the recommendation of the Budget Review Committee, that the 2009 Operating Budget will come back to Council with no more than a 2% increase.

CARRIED

08-10 Moved by Grenier and Belcastro

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoints Councillor Van Vliet to the Tourism Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

08-10 Moved by Grenier and Belcastro

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoints Councillor Larouche to the Niagara Central Airport Commission.

CARRIED

08-12 Moved by Grenier and Belcastro

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoints the following Chairs of the umbrella committees of Council for the period commencing December 1, 2008 and ending November 30, 2009:

Community Services Chair – Councillor Dzugan

Operational Services Chair – Councillor Chiochio.

CARRIED

08-12 Moved by Grenier and Belcastro

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoints the following as Vice Mayor for three (3) month terms of office, for the period commencing December 1, 2008 and ending November 30, 2009:

- December 1, 2008 to February 28, 2009 - Councillor Dzugan
- March 1, 2009 to May 30, 2009 - Councillor Grenier
- June 1, 2009 to August 31, 2009 - Councillor Belcastro
- September 1, 2009 to November 30, 2009 - Councillor Larouche.

CARRIED

08-22 Moved by O'Dell and Alakas

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to prepare a By-law to amend By-law 89-2000 as follows:

DELETING the following from PARKING PROHIBITIONS (SPECIFIED PLACES, WITH SIGNS), SCHEDULE "V", furthermore;

COLUMN 1 STREET	COLUMN 2 SIDE	COLUMN 3		COLUMN 4 PERIOD (TIMES\DAY)
		FROM	TO	
First Street	Both Sides	37 metres West of Dover Street	80 metres East of Plymouth Road	8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday

DELETING the following from SCHOOL BUS LOADING ZONES, SCHEDULE "VII", furthermore;

COLUMN I HIGHWAY	COLUMN II FROM	COLUMN III TO		COLUMN IV SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION
First Street	80m West of Dover Court	150m West of Dover Court		Plymouth

ADDING the following to PARKING PROHIBITIONS (SPECIFIED PLACES, WITH SIGNS), SCHEDULE "V":

COLUMN 1 STREET	COLUMN 2 SIDE	COLUMN 3		COLUMN 4 PERIOD (TIMES\DAY)
		FROM	TO	
First Street	Both Sides	37 metres West of Dover Street	80 metres East of Plymouth Road	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
Santone Avenue	Both Sides	15 metres South of St. George Street	55 metres South of St. George Street (West side) and 93 metres South of St. George Street (East side)	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday

ADDING the following to SCHOOL BUS LOADING ZONES, SCHEDULE "VII", furthermore;

COLUMN 1 HIGHWAY	COLUMN II FROM	COLUMN III TO	COLUMN IV SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION
First Street	80m West of Dover Court	97m West of Dover Court	Plymouth

CARRIED

08-127 Moved by Chiocchio and Belcastro
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND refers to the 2009 Budget Review Committee the motion passed at the November 12, 2008 Welland Development Commission (WDC) meeting requesting \$20,000 be included in the Welland Development Commission budget to advance the Growth Plan as requested by the Health and Wellness Task Force on November 10, 2008.

CARRIED

08-127 Moved by Sharpe and Chiocchio
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives Report PDS-2008-69 for information purposes; and further
 THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare a Request for Proposals for the completion of a Community Improvement Plan and incorporate funding in the 2009 Budget.

CARRIED

08-143 Moved by Larouche and Chiocchio
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND supports the resolution enacted by the City of Niagara Falls, at its meeting held November 3, 2008, requesting the Province of Ontario dismantle the Niagara Health System (NHS) and appoint a Provincial Supervisor in its place.

CARRIED

08-143 Moved by O'Dell and Letourneau
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND supports the motion from the City of Port Colborne regarding Pediatrics and Obstetrics remaining at the St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, and Welland sites until the NHS and LHIN recognize and move toward a more centralized regional hospital location.

CARRIED

08-143 Moved by O'Dell and Letourneau
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND supports the motion from the City of Port Colborne regarding maintaining the Port Colborne Hospital site as a functioning in-patient hospital supported by a 24/7 emergency department.

CARRIED

08-143 Moved by Alexander and Chiocchio
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CM-2008-08 and that the report be circulated to the Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant Local Health Integration Network, Dr. Jack Kitts, and the Niagara Health System.

CARRIED**08-143** Moved by O'Dell and Letourneau

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND supports the resolution enacted by the City of Fort Erie, whereby they support the introduction of a Private Member's Bill calling for the election of all hospital boards in Ontario as part of the 2010 municipal elections; and whereby they petition the Minister of Health to legislatively enact the protective status of the rural hospital designation for all qualifying hospitals in Ontario.

LOST

BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE

08-10 Moved by Larouche and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Daniel Fortier, John Mastroianni, and Christian Venditti to the Heritage Welland Committee for a two year term (December 1, 2008 to November 30, 2010); and further THAT Welland City Council directs staff to continue to recruit for the following:

- two (2) remaining positions to complete the two year term (December 1, 2007 to November 30, 2009) on this Committee
- two (2) remaining positions for a two year term (December 1, 2008 to November 30, 2010) on this Committee.

CARRIED**08-10** Moved by Larouche and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Gary Galambos to the Property Standards Committee/Dog Control Appeal Committee for a three year term (December 1, 2008 to November 30, 2011).

CARRIED**08-155** Moved by Larouche and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to proceed with the transfer of a one foot reserve, being part of Part 34, Plan 59R-1680, to 1683104 Ontario Inc., owner of the abutting lands to the west and south; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the necessary documentation.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

BY-LAW PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING:

1. Moved by O'Dell and Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND now gives leave to introduce the following proposed By-law entitled:

08-22

BYL 2008 - 178

A By-law to amend Schedules "V", "VI", "VII" and "XVII" of By-law 89-2000 being a By-law regulating Traffic and Parking within the City of Welland.

And that same be now read a first time.

CARRIED

BY-LAW PRESENTED FOR SECOND AND THIRD READING:

2. Moved by O'Dell and Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having read a first time and considered the foregoing By-law listed in this evening's Council Agenda, be now read a second and third time and do pass, and the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal same.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING:

3. Moved by Larouche and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND now gives leave to introduce the following proposed By-laws entitled:

03-36

BYL 2008 - 176

agreement A By-law to authorize the entering into an extension

with the Welland Snowmobile Club to lease 205 Memorial Park Drive.

08-12

BYL 2008 - 177

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08-46

BYL 2008 - 179

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BYL 2008 - 180

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BYL 2008 - 181

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08-1

BYL 2008 - 183

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 18th day of November, 2008.

And that same be now read a first time.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS PRESENTED FOR SECOND AND THIRD READING:

4. Moved by Larouche and Chiocchio THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having read a first time and considered the By-laws listed in the foregoing motion and, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, be now read a second and third time and do pass, and the Mayor and Clerk do sign and seal same.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with By-law 9972 as amended by By-law 2001-2 passed on January 16, 2001, Councillor(s) must submit their NOTICE OF MOTION(S) in writing no later than Wednesday, November 26, 2008 for inclusion on the next regular Council meeting agenda of December 2, 2008.

Council adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

These Minutes approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 2nd day of December, 2008.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK