



**CITY OF
Welland**

**MINUTES OF THE
JANUARY 9, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING
CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
60 EAST MAIN STREET**

AMENDED*

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:32 p.m. and in open session at 7:05 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors J. Chiochio, T. DiMarco (virtual), B. Fokkens, B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi (virtual), J. Lee, D. McLeod, A. Moote, S. Setaram, G. Speck (virtual), and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, R. Axiak (until 7:00 p.m.)

City Clerk, T. Stephens

Interim Director of Finance/Chief Finance Officer/Treasurer, E. Pankoff (7:05 p.m.)

Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart (7:05 p.m.)

Director of Planning and Development Services/Acting Chief Administrative Officer, G. Munday (7:05 p.m.)

Manager of Business & Community Services, A. Degazio (7:05 p.m.)

Manager, Traffic/Parking-Bylaws, A. Khan (7:05 p.m. - 8:08 p.m.)

Infrastructure & Asset Manager, M. Main (7:05 p.m.)

2024 - 1

24-25 Moved by Van Vliet and Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:32 p.m. to consider:

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
 - *Committee Appointments to the Accessibility Advisory Committee and Active Transportation Committee.*
 - *Human Resources Matter.*

CARRIED

2024 - 2

24-25 Moved by Moote and Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:00 p.m. with report.

CARRIED

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS ADDED:

Notice of Motion from Councillor DiMarco.

2024 - 3

24-1 Moved by Van Vliet and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of December 5 and 12, 2023 and Regular Council Meetings of November 21, 2023 as amended and December 19, 2023, as circulated.

CARRIED

2024 - 4

02-160 Moved by Fokkens and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND waive the rules for a time sensitive item.

**LOST
(2/3 majority required)**

2024 - 5

99-99 Moved by DiMarco and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to prepare a report in regards to creating and allowing family camping along the west side of the former Welland Canal from the Welland International Flat Centre to the north and to a specific distance south of Broadway Avenue and to include electrical powered outlets for the convenience of its users.

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99-99 Moved by Van Vliet and Setaram

THAT staff look at water and septic dumping station in the area.

CARRIED

FOLLOWING THE VOTE ON THE AMENDING MOTION THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS.....

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to prepare a report in regards to creating and allowing family camping along the west side of the former Welland Canal from the Welland International Flat Centre to the north and to a specific distance south of Broadway Avenue and to include electrical powered outlets for the convenience of its users; and further
THAT staff look at water and septic dumping station in the area.

YEAS: Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Grimaldi, Setaram, Moote and Van Vliet.

NAYS: Lee, Green, McLeod, Fokkens and Mayor Champion.

CARRIED

2024 - 6

02-160 Moved by Lee and Chiocchio

WHEREAS By-law staff are required each week to deliver councillors mail to their houses on Fridays; and
WHEREAS this mail includes their printed council agendas, confidential information, and mail from residents and other organizations; and
WHEREAS if Councillors have mail to pick up before Friday, they must pick it up from Reception between 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; and
WHEREAS Councillors do not have a public area to pick up their mail afterhours.
NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests staff investigate installing private mailboxes at the Civic Square for members of council to access their mailboxes after business hours.

CARRIED

2024 - 7

21-30 Moved by McLeod and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND declares surplus to the City’s needs, lands on the east side of Denistoun Street, south of Hooker Street, shown on Appendix I in Report P&B-2023-60; and further
THAT Welland City Council reserves the sale or lease of these lands for an affordable housing project subject to Council approval.

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21-30 Moved by McLeod and

THAT Welland City Council amends the second portion of the motion to be: A land lease for these lands for affordable housing project, subject to council approval; and further
THAT the ownership of the lands remain with the City of Welland.

NOT PUT

FOLLOWING THE AMENDMENT NOT BEING TABLED, THE MAIN WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND AS FOLLOWS

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND declares surplus to the City’s needs, lands on the east side of Denistoun Street, south of Hooker Street, shown on Appendix I in Report P&B-2023-60; and further THAT Welland City Council reserves the sale or lease of these lands for an affordable housing project subject to Council approval.

YEAS: Lee, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: McLeod and DiMarco.

CARRIED

2024 - 8

23-22 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report TRAF-2024-01 Speed Hump on Quaker Road; and THAT Council consider the following options for direction to staff:

- 1. Do Nothing.

YEAS: McLeod, Grimaldi, Setaram, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Lee, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco and Fokkens

LOST

23-22 Moved by Green and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report TRAF-2024-01 Speed Hump on Quaker Road; and

- 2. Council direct staff to install a temporary rubberized speed hump on Quaker Road.

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23-22 Moved by Fokkens and Chiocchio

THAT WELLAND CITY COUNCIL add on the motion “and further Welland City Council requests a test study for the temporary measure be 2024 and that staff provide a report to Council at the end of 2024 on the results of reduced speed by installing a speed hump.

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

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

LOST

FOLLOWING THE LOST VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AS FOLLOWS.....

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report TRAF-2024-01 Speed Hump on Quaker Road; and

2. Council direct staff to install a temporary rubberized speed hump on Quaker Road.

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

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

LOST

2024 - 9

23-22 Moved by DiMarco and Chiocchio

WHEREAS, parking at times is limited at one of our cities main parks/playground and to remove the parking from the roadway which at times can be quite congested and also for the safety of all.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to prepare a report that would address parking at Chippawa Park from the pavilion on First Avenue north to Laughlin Avenue on the park property which is currently grass/open space similar to Bugar Park.

CARRIED

2024 - 10

23-103 Moved by DiMarco and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs the appropriate staff to prepare a report regarding the implementation of a public works crew; and THAT the duties of such would be, but not limited to, when needed, and after our By-laws have visited and exhausted their powers, to remove garbage and/or trash from a property and/or perform the necessary yard work including snow removal in the winter months that would bring the property into compliance of our trash, grass/weeds and snow clearing policies; and further

THAT in addition to the already in place fines that all costs associated to perform such be the responsibility of the property owner.

LOST

2024 - 11

24-22 Moved by DiMarco and Green

WHEREAS, the current and ongoing Central Village development in Hunters Pointe has created a considerable increase in vehicle traffic both commercial and residential on Daimler Pkwy; and

WHEREAS, the traffic in both directions on Daimler Pkwy has become a dangerous stretch not only for other vehicles and most importantly pedestrian safety both walking and cycling.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to erect stop signs on Daimler Pkwy at Magnolia Lane both directions for the safety of all.

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24-22 Moved by Fokkens and McLeod
THAT Welland City Council refers back to staff the notice of motion regarding erecting stop signs on Daimler Pkwy at Magnolia Lane both directions for the safety of all.

CARRIED

Action Items/Direction to Staff:

- **Include a traffic study in the report.**
- **Other appropriate traffic calming measures.**

2024 - 12

24-22 Moved by DiMarco and Chiocchio
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to place "5 Ton Maximum" weight restriction signs on Quaker Road east from Niagara Street to Towpath Drive.

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24-22 Moved by McLeod and Moote
THAT Welland City Council refers back to staff the notice of motion regarding placing a "5 Ton Maximum" weight restriction signs on Quaker Road east from Niagara Street to Towpath Drive.

CARRIED

2024 - 13

24-29 Moved by McLeod and Moote (in block)
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2024-01, regarding the annual meetings of Council in 2023.

CARRIED

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

2024 - 14

02-85 Moved by McLeod and Moote (in block)
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints William Barnes and Wendy Barnes to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the term of January 9, 2024 to November 14, 2026.

CARRIED

2024 - 15

16-66 Moved by McLeod and Moote (in block)
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Douglas Thomas to the Active Transportation Committee for the term of January 9, 2024 to November 14, 2026.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Moved by Setaram 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.

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BYL 2024 - 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 9th day of January, 2024.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 16th day of January, 2024.