



MINUTES OF
COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 17, 2015
CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
60 EAST MAIN STREET

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:45 p.m. and in open session at 7:09 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors M. Carl (7:09 p.m.), J. Chiocchio, P. Chiocchio, T. DiMarco, B. Fokkens, M.A. Grimaldi, R. Letourneau, J. Mastroianni, D. McLeod, M. Petrachenko and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Deputy City Clerk, T. Stephens
Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, D. Prevost (7:09 p.m.)
General Manager, Corporate Services/Treasurer, S. Zorbas
General Manager, Human Resources and Legislative Services, R. Mantesso
Planning Supervisor, G. Munday (7:09 p.m.)
Manager, Engineering Services, E. Nickel (7:09 p.m.)
Manager, Recreation & Culture, R. Morwald (7:09 p.m.)
Records Clerk, C. Viger (7:09 p.m.)

15-25 Moved by Grimaldi and J. Chiochio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:45 p.m. to consider:

- litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; and
- the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

15-25 Moved by Mastroianni and Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:02 p.m. without report.

CARRIED

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS ADDED:

15-24 A By-law to authorize the appointment of Tara Stephens as Acting City Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Welland; and to repeal By-laws 2009-110 and 2010-34.

DELEGATIONS:

15-15 Firefighter Recruitment presentation.

AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REPORTS

15-61 Councillor Mastroianni, Chair, Human Resources Committee, provided a verbal update on the Human Resources Committee meeting of November 4, 2015.

15-1 Moved by McLeod and P. Chiochio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 3, 2015, as circulated.

CARRIED

99-99 Moved by Grimaldi and DiMarco

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to issue a Request for Expressions of Interest for the Redevelopment of the Downtown Node and Northern Reach of the Welland Recreational Waterway Lands; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to form an Evaluation Committee comprised of the Planning Supervisor, the Chief Building Official, the General Manager of Infrastructure Services or his designate, the Manager of Economic Development and the General Manager, of Corporate Services/Treasurer or his designate; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to prepare the necessary documents and advertisements.

CARRIED

10-76 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Application for the City of Welland Community Improvement Plan for the Downtown and Health and Wellness Cluster for property municipally known as 570 King Street for the Building Improvement Grant Program in the estimated amount of \$3,164.07 with the Niagara Region contributing 50% of this amount (\$1,582.03); and further THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the required By-law and Agreement; and further THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any documentation required for participation in the Building Improvement Grant Program.

(Councillor Carl disclosed an interest in this matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, and refrained from voting thereon, as his employer, the Hope Centre is applying for a Community Improvement Grant for the downtown).

CARRIED

13-50 Moved by McLeod and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence dated October 15, 2015 from the Niagara Central Airport Commission regarding the third quarter update on its activities and developments at the Niagara Central Dorothy Rungeling Airport.

CARRIED

15-4 Moved by McLeod and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report FIN-2015-31 regarding Regional Report CSD 69-2015 - 2016 Property Tax Policy; and further THAT Welland City Council advises the Region of Niagara that it supports the status quo policy currently in place for the 2016 tax year.

CARRIED

15-9 Moved by Petrachenko and Carl

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report FIN-2015-30 regarding investing in Energy Management Initiatives; and further THAT Welland City Council authorizes utilization of \$185,200 plus HST, from the approved 2013 Capital Project for Green Energy Rooftop, for the express purpose of installing energy efficient lighting in City Owned buildings as outlined in this report.

CARRIED

15-10

15-61 Moved by McLeod and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Councillors Pat Chiocchio, Mary Ann Grimaldi, and Tony DiMarco, in addition to the Mayor, Chair of the Human Resources Committee, and the General Manager of Human Resources and Legislative Services to the Hiring Committee for the purposes of recruiting a new City Manager for the City of Welland.

CARRIED

15-15 Moved by Van Vliet and Carl

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the Firefighter Recruitment presentation.

CARRIED

15-19 Moved by P. Chiocchio and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes Staff to issue a Request for Proposal for the 2016 Merritt Park Amphitheatre Summer Concert Series, as detailed in Report R&C-2015-08.

CARRIED

15-20 Moved by J. Chiochio and Mastroianni
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND has no objection for the issuance of a Special Occasion Permit to Rib Fest for the Welland Rib Fest to be held on July 15, 16, and 17, 2016 at the Niagara Regional Exhibition grounds; and further
 THAT Welland City Council designates the "Welland Rib Fest" as one of municipal significance; and further
 THAT Welland City Council delegates in accordance with its Delegation of Powers Policy, the authority to the City Clerk, or designate, the power to support applications for Special Occasion Permits for all future events of the Welland Rib Fest and to designate such events as one(s) of municipal significance.

CARRIED

15-27 Moved by P. Chiochio and Carl
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to include a Decision Unit entitled '2016 parade float participation outside the City of Welland' for consideration during the 2016 operating budget deliberations, as detailed in Report R&C-2015-09.

CARRIED

15-29 Moved by McLeod and Grimaldi
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2015-10 regarding the 2016 Meeting Calendar for Council and establishes the Council meeting dates for 2016 as set out in Appendix I attached thereto.

CARRIED

15-33 Moved by McLeod and Grimaldi
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the closure of City Hall operations for the 2016-2017 holiday season from the close of business on Friday, December 23, 2016 to and including Monday, January 2, 2017.

CARRIED

15-46 Moved by Van Vliet and Petrachenko
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives REPORT ENG-2015-38 and approves the purchase of one (1) new conventional cab and chassis complete with a 14' aluminum van from Brock Ford Sales Inc. being the lowest tender submitted who met the specifications at a tendered price of \$68,700.00 plus applicable taxes, as funded through the 2015 Waterworks Budget Report; and further
 THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws to enter into contract with Brock Ford to execute the sale.

CARRIED

15-49 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves an \$80,000 loan to the Peninsula's Tastiest Party, to be repaid without interest over a 5 year term (2016-2020), and that the loan be secured by the Peninsula's Tastiest Party with their mobile culinary theatre; and further
 THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Clerk to prepare necessary documents to enter into a loan agreement with the Peninsula's Tastiest Party and that the Mayor and Clerk sign and seal same.

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15-49 Moved by McLeod and Mastroianni
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND removes item "e" from the financial consideration portion of the report.

YEAS: Councillors Petrachenko, Car, McLeod, Mastroianni and Van Vliet.

NAYS: Councillors J. Chiochio, DiMarco, Letourneau, P. Chiochio, Grimaldi, Fokkens and Mayor Campion.

LOST

FOLLOWING THE LOST VOTE ON THE AMENDED MOTION, THE MAIN MOTION WAS THEN PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND.....

LOST

15-61 Moved by Mastroianni and Grimaldi
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the verbal report by Councillor Mastroianni, Chair, Human Resources Committee, regarding its meeting of November 4, 2015.

CARRIED

15-107 Moved by J. Chiocchio and Grimaldi
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to relocate the annual Canada Day celebration from Memorial Park to downtown Welland; and further
 THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to collaborate with the Downtown Welland Business Improvement Area Board to jointly deliver the annual Canada Day celebration.

YEAS: Councillors Petrachenko, Carl, J. Chiocchio, McLeod, Mastroianni, Van Vliet, and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Councillors DiMarco, Letourneau, P. Chiocchio, Grimaldi and Fokkens.

CARRIED

15-108 Moved by Campion and Letourneau
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND endorses and supports Welland becoming a member of the North American Francophone and Francophile Cities Network (Réseau des villes francophones et francophiles d'Amérique); and further
 THAT staff and the Mayor take the steps necessary to register and become a member.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Moved by Grimaldi and Van Vliet
 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.

15-46

BYL 2015 - 133

A By-law to authorize purchase of one new conventional cab and chassis with 14 foot aluminium van body from Brock Ford Sales Inc.

10-76

BYL 2015 - 134

A By-law to authorize execution of a Building Improvement Grant Agreement (Community Improvement Plan) for 570 King Street.

CARRIED

Moved by Fokkens 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.

15-24

BYL 2015 - 135

A By-law to authorize the appointment of Tara Stephens as Acting City Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Welland; and to repeal By-laws 2009- 110 and 2010-34.

YEAS: Councillors J. Chiocchio, DiMarco, Letourneau, P. Chiocchio, Grimaldi, Fokkens, Mastroianni and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Councillors Petrachenko, Carl, McLeod and Van Vliet.

CARRIED

Moved by McLeod 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.

15-1

BYL 2014 - 136

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 17th day of November, 2015.

CARRIED

Councillor DiMarco gave Notice of Motion to the following issue to be presented to Council at the December 1, 2015 Regular Council Meeting:

99-99 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND reconsiders Council's decision on the report and recommendation of the former City Manager, to allocate \$75,000 to the Welland Recreational Canal Corporation for the 2015 World Dragon Boat Championships; and further THAT Welland City Council add the \$75,000 to the 2016 Capital Budget specifically for roads.

Councillor McLeod gave Notice of Motion to the following issue to be presented to Council at the December 1, 2015 Regular Council Meeting:

99-99 WHEREAS the Council of the City of Welland has approved its 2015 Budget. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND releases the \$75,000 approved for payment of World Dragon Boat vendors.

Council adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

These Minutes approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 1st day of December, 2015.

MAYOR

ACTING CITY CLERK