



MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

Meeting Number G.C. 2017 – 01

Members Present: Vice Mayor M. Carl

F. Campion
J. Chiocchio
P. Chiocchio
T. DiMarco
B. Fokkens
M.A. Grimaldi

J. Larouche (7:23 p.m.)
R. Letourneau (until 9:15 p.m.)
J. Mastroianni
D. McLeod (7:12 p.m.)
L. Van Vliet

Members of the Staff Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, G. Long
City Clerk, T. Stephens
General Manager, Human Resources and Legislative Services, R. Mantesso
Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, B. Kennedy
Manager, Engineering Services, E. Nickel
Manager of Budgets & Financial Reporting/Deputy Treasurer, E. Pankoff

Vice Mayor M. Carl called the General Committee Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.



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1. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Delegation by Mr. Ted Roworth in regards to Canoe Welland 2017.

Changes to Report FIN-2017-03: Waiving of Fees and Permissive Grants.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST:

Councillor Carl disclosed an interest in Ref. No. 17-5, pages 46-58, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, and refrained from voting thereon, as his employer, The Hope Center, applies for grants and waiving of fees.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF DECEMBER 13, 2016

Moved by L. Van Vliet that the Minutes of the General Committee Meeting of December 13, 2016 be and the same are hereby approved and adopted.

CARRIED

4. PRESENTATIONS:

16-104 Erik Nickel, Manager, Engineering Services, made a presentation to the committee regarding the Sewer and Drainage Works Bylaw update.

The presentation, was a follow up to the presentation that was provided at the November 29, 2016 General Committee meeting. Staff provided clarification to General Committee regarding the intentions of the program, revisions to the by-law related to garburators and weeping tiles, and explained the current policy.

Moved by J. Chiochio

THAT THE GENERAL COMMITTEE receives for information the presentation by Erik Nickel, Manager, Engineering Services regarding the Sewer and Drainage Works By-law update.

CARRIED

17-5 Brian Kennedy, Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, made a presentation to the committee regarding the Emergency Management Plan update.

Staff provided an update to General Committee in relation to the Emergency Management Program Committee, and the recent activities/exercise the committee has been a part of. Staff advised of changes that will be made moving forward and upcoming training for the members.

Moved by Grimaldi

THAT THE GENERAL COMMITTEE receives for information the presentation by Brian Kennedy, Fire Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, regarding the Emergency Management Plan update.

CARRIED



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5. DELEGATIONS:

16-13 Ted Roworth and Paul Vincent made a presentation to the committee regarding Canoe Welland 2017.

The group provided information to General Committee in relation to the Canoe Welland 2017 event. The group requested the City of Welland make a donation to the event to assist with costs. General Committee asked questions regarding when they were awarded the event, issues with equipment on the canal, whether the Niagara Region will be contributing, and the ability for the public to view the event. General Committee requested staff review the request for sponsorship, and provide a report back to General Committee for consideration.

Moved by Van Vliet

THAT THE GENERAL COMMITTEE receives for information the presentation by Ted Roworth and Paul Vincent regarding Canoe Welland 2017; and further
THAT the General Committee directs staff to investigate the sponsorship request, and provide a report back to General Committee for consideration.

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – L. Van Vliet, Chair

Engineering Division

**ENG-2017-02 - Gen. Mgr., Infrastructure & Development Services/City Engineer,
S. Iannello - Sewer and Drainage Works By-Law update.
Ref. No. 16-104**

General Committee requested that approval from Council should be required for large areas that may be effected by the By-law. In addition, it was requested that a criteria be determined for the Engineers to follow when reviewing properties. Furthermore it was requested that if there is some form of compensation for residents, that it should be considered for those individuals who have already completed the process. Staff to report back to General Committee/Council with changes as directed.

Moved by McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report ENG-2017-02 regarding the Sewer and Drainage Works Bylaw; and further
THAT Welland City Council approves the revised Sewer and Drainage Works Bylaw; and further,
THAT Welland City Council directs Staff to apply to the Ministry of the Attorney General for the establishment of set fines pertaining to the Sewer and Drainage Works Bylaw.

CARRIED



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7. STAFF REPORTS:

CORPORATE SERVICES - D. McLeod, Chair

Human Resources & Legislative Services

CLK-2016-03 - Gen. Mgr., Human Resources and Legislative Services, R. Mantesso - Council's Corner. Ref. No. 02-160

General Committee provided direction to proceed with option three (3) for Councillors to present city/ward activities and event reports.

Moved by Grimaldi

THAT THE GENERAL COMMITTEE receives for information Report CLK-2017-03: Council's Corner; and further
THAT the General Committee approves option three (3) for Councillors to present city/ward activities and events reports.

CARRIED

Finance Division

FIN-2017-03 - Gen. Mgr., Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, S. Zorbas – 2017 Waiving of Fees and Permissive Grants. Ref. No. 17-5

General Committee requested more information to indicate the process for choosing which groups receive grants/waiving of fees, and which ones do not. General Committee deferred the report to the General Committee meeting of February 14, 2017.

Moved by Mastroianni

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Waiving of Fees and Permissive Grant allocations for 2017 attached to REPORT FIN-2017-03 as Appendix I and Appendix II.

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Moved by Larouche

THAT THE GENERAL COMMITTEE defers the Report FIN-2017-03 to the next General Committee meeting of February 14, 2017.

CARRIED

8. The General Committee Meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.