



NOTICE

**THE MAYOR HAS CALLED
A SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

AT 7:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019

**IN OPEN SESSION
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC SQUARE**

TO CONSIDER ANY CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, AND BY-LAWS

**Tara Stephens,
City Clerk**



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, February 26, 2019
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

- 1. OPEN SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (7:00 p.m.)**
 - 1.1 CALL UPON THE CITY CLERK TO REVIEW COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE ITEMS (IN-CAMERA) TO BE ADDED TO BLOCK**
 - 1.2 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**
 - 1.3 COUNCILLORS TO DETERMINE AGENDA ITEMS AND BY-LAWS TO BE REMOVED FROM BLOCK FOR DISCUSSION IN COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN) (See pink tab)**

- 2. ORAL REPORTS AND DELEGATIONS**
 - 2.1 PRESENTATION(S) - Nil**
 - 2.2 DELEGATION(S) (maximum 5/10/5 policy) - Nil**
 - 2.3 AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORT(S) - Nil**

- 3. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

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 26th day of February, 2019.
Ref. No. 19-1

- 4. ADJOURNMENT**



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA INDEX

Tuesday, February 26, 2019
7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

Page No.

AGENDA BLOCK

1. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES, PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND OTHER ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION - Nil**

2. **COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**
 1. **Business Arising from Committee-of-the-Whole (closed) - Nil**
 2. **Staff Reports**

1 - 2

FIN-2019-03 Gen. Mgr., Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer,
S. Zorbas – 2019 Interim Tax Levy. Ref. No. 19-4.

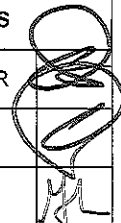
3. **NEW BUSINESS - Nil**

4. **BY-LAWS**

MAY BE VIEWED IN THE CLERK'S DIVISION PRIOR TO THE MEETING IF DESIRED.

1. A By-law to provide an Interim Tax Levy for year 2019.
Ref. No. 19-4
(See Report FIN-2019-03)

COUNCIL
CORPORATE SERVICES
FINANCE DIVISION

APPROVALS	
GENERAL MANAGER	
CFO	
CAO	

19-4

REPORT FIN-2019-03
FEBRUARY 19, 2019

SUBJECT: 2019 INTERIM TAX LEVY

**AUTHOR: MIKE LOSTRACCO,
REVENUE SERVICES MANAGER**

**APPROVING G.M.: STEVE ZORBAS, CPA, CMA, B.Comm, DPA,
GENERAL MANAGER, CORPORATE SERVICES, CHIEF FINANCIAL
OFFICER/TREASURER**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the due dates for the 2019 Interim Municipal Tax Levy as follows:

First Installment due: March 1, 2019
second Installment due: May 1, 2019

and further;

THAT Welland City Council approves the amounts to be levied, in accordance with Section 317 of *The Municipal Act, 2001*, that being 50% of the total levy for the year 2018 (\$41,641,745).

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

While the final tax billing usually occurs in mid-year, the municipality requires operating funds well before that time. *The Municipal Act, 2001* recognizes this fact and makes the appropriate provision.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

In order for the municipality to meet its financial requirements until the final tax rate is established, it is necessary to request an interim tax levy.

Section 317 of *The Municipal Act, 2001* authorizes a local municipality to pass a by-law levying amounts on rateable property in the local municipality not exceeding 50% of the previous year's taxes.

Municipal expenditures in the form of payroll, debt charges, operating supplies, and capital projects along with Regional and School Board requisitions begin to accrue on January 1 of each year.

While monthly utility billings and pre-authorized payment programs provide the City with some cash inflows during this period, these amounts are well short of the cash demands of municipal operations. The interim levy provides the liquidity necessary to avoid costly temporary borrowings, which would otherwise be required.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The absence of an interim levy would result in additional carrying costs associated with interim borrowing.

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

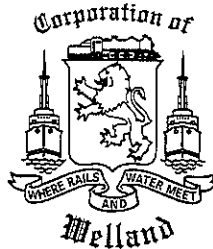
Not applicable.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

In order to meet the City's financial obligations while awaiting final billing, staff recommends that Council approve the interim tax levy.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A.



GENERAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 26, 2019
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CIVIC SQUARE

Meeting Number 2019 - 3

1. **OPEN GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING FOLLOWING THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING.**
 - 1.1 **CALL TO ORDER BY VICE MAYOR LEO VAN VLIET**
 - 1.2 **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**
 - 1.3 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**
 - 1.4 **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

General Committee Meeting of January 22, 2019.
 - 1.5 **ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM BLOCK FOR DISCUSSION IN COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN) (See blue tab)**

2. **VERBAL REPORTS AND DELEGATIONS**
 - 2.1 **PRESENTATIONS – Nil**
 - 2.2 **DELEGATIONS (MAXIMUM 5/10/5 RULE)**
 - 19-15** Nora Reid, President, Central Station Education Initiative re: Lease Extension.
 - 19-28** Renee Delaney, Planting with Purpose re: Small scale farms teaching garden.
(Background information provided in Committee members packages).
 - 2.3 **AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REPORT(S) – Nil**

3. **COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN) – Nil**
(Discuss items removed from Agenda Block)

4. **ADJOURNMENT**



MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

Meeting Number G.C. 2019 – 2

Members Present: Vice Mayor L. Van Vliet

F. Campion	D. McLeod
J. Chiocchio	A. Moote
T. DiMarco	C. Richard
B. Fokkens	G. Speck
B. Green	L. Spinosa
J. Larouche	

Members of the Staff Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, G. Long

City Clerk, T. Stephens

Deputy Clerk, C. Radice

General Manager, Infrastructure and Planning Services/City Engineer, E. Nickel

General Manager, Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, S. Zorbas

Vice Mayor L. Van Vliet called the General Committee Meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.



MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING -- Page 2

Tuesday, January 22, 2019
Meeting Number G.C. 2019 – 2

1. **ADDITION/DELETIONS TO AGENDA: Nil**

2. **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST: Nil**

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF January 8, 2019**

Moved by Green that the Minutes of the General Committee Meeting of January 8, 2019 be and the same are hereby approved and adopted.

CARRIED

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

16-109 Catherine Habermebl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works and Brad Whitelaw, Program Manager, Policy & Planning, Waste Management Services both from the Niagara Region re: Waste Collection Service Level Options and Stakeholder Consultation Results.

Niagara Region staff provided information regarding the Waste Collection service level options and stakeholder consultation results. Changes regarding the new contract were discussed. Committee member compared costs regarding weekly and biweekly pickups. In addition, clear bags, survey responses, organic garbage and length of the contract were discussed. Niagara Region staff provided responses to committee members.

Moved by McLeod

THAT GENERAL COMMITTEE receives for information the presentation by Catherine Habermebl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works and Brad Whitelaw, Program Manager, Policy & Planning, Waste Management Services both from the Niagara Region regarding Waste Collection Service Level Options and Stakeholder Consultation Results.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATIONS : Nil**

6. **AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORT(S): Nil**

7. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES, PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND OTHER ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION: Nil**

8. **STAFF REPORTS:**

INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – L. Van Vliet, Chair

Engineering Division

ENG-2019-02 Gen. Mgr., Infrastructure and Development Services/City Engineer, E. Nickel – Region of Niagara 2020 Waste Collection Contract – Proposed Changes and Welland Enhanced Collection Services. Ref. No.16-109



MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING -- Page 3

Tuesday, January 22, 2019
Meeting Number G.C. 2019 – 2

Committee discussed clear bags and services to multi-unit properties. Concerns were raised regarding clear bags and privacy for residents. Committee provided comments and concerns related to the proposed changes.

Moved by DiMarco

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approve REPORT ENG-2019-02 regarding Region of Niagara 2020 Waste Collection Contract – Proposed Changes and Welland Enhanced Collection Services; and further,
THAT Welland City Council approve of recommendations 1 through 8 as follows:

1. That every-other-week (EOW) garbage collection be implemented for all residential properties and for those IC&I and MU properties located outside DBAs as a base service. Current garbage container limits would double for all properties, on an EOW basis. The recycling and organic bin collection for all properties shall remain weekly collection. Those IC&I and MU properties located inside the DBAs would continue to receive weekly garbage, recycling and organics collection as a base service.
2. That switching to clear bags be approved.
3. That the establishment of a four (4) item limit per residential unit, per collection, for large item collection at LDR properties be approved as a base service.
4. That the appliance and scrap metal pick-up be discontinued at LDR properties.
5. That the number of garbage bags/containers for IC&I and MU properties inside DBAs be reduced from seven (7) to four (4) per week, as a base service.
6. That the number of garbage bags/containers for MU properties outside DBAs be reduced from six (6) to four (4) per week, or eight (8) containers per week under EOW garbage collection, as a base service.
7. That the City's enhanced service and extra payment for front-end garbage collection at multi-residential properties (currently a total of 12 containers) continue.
8. That the provision of a new enhanced service for large item collection (parallel to the service approved for LDR properties) to those households in MR buildings with seven (7) or more residential units and MU properties with one (1) or more residential unit, that receive the Region's base curbside or enhanced front-end garbage collection service, be approved.

and further,

THAT Welland City Council direct the Clerk to inform the Region of the City's position on the proposed waste collection service changes.

Moved by Speck

THAT General Committee removes number 2 out of the recommendation regarding switching to clear bags.

YEAS: Councillors Fokkens, Moote, Mayor Campion, Larouche, Green, Speck, Chicchio and DiMarco.



MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING -- Page 4

Tuesday, January 22, 2019
Meeting Number G.C. 2019 – 2

NAYS: Councillors Richard, Spinosa, Van Vliet and McLeod.

**FOLLOWING THE VOTE ON THE AMENDED MOTION, THE
MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED AND.....**

CARRIED

ENG-2019-03 Gen. Mgr., Infrastructure and Development Services/City Engineer, E. Nickel
– Canal Redevelopment Strategy Phase II – Welland Community Boathouse
Ref. No.99-99

Committee requested an update regarding the go quiet policy. Staff advised an email will be forwarded to members with an update. Committee questioned the cost to add additional aspects to phase II to move the redevelopment along faster. Staff advised they would be coming back to Committee/Council with additional information.

Moved by Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report ENG-2019-03 Canal Redevelopment Strategy Phase II – Welland Community Boathouse Update; and further,

THAT Welland City Council direct staff to proceed with completion of architectural plans and specifications, and subsequently issue a tender for construction of a shipping container facility to serve as a canoe/kayak rental facility at the Lincoln St Docks location at the soonest opportunity.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES – D. McLeod, Chair

Chief Administrative Officer

CAO-2019-01 Chief Administrative Officer, G. Long – Review of Regional Government.
Ref. No. 19-48

Staff advised more information will be provided when it becomes available to staff. Committee questioned the statistics per municipality, and how the process would begin. Staff advised they are not aware of the process at this time. Once the information is available, it will be provided to Committee/Council and the public.

Moved by Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information REPORT CAO-2019-01, Review of Regional Government.

CARRIED

9. **NEW BUSINESS : Nil**

10. **The General Committee Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.**