



**CITY OF
Welland**

MINUTES OF THE

APRIL 9, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING

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

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:32 p.m. and in open session at 7:07 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors J. Chiocchio (7:07 p.m.), T. DiMarco (7:07 p.m. virtual), B. Fokkens, B. Green, J. Lee, D. McLeod, A. Moote (8:37 p.m.), C. Richard, S. Setaram (7:07 p.m.), G. Speck (7:07 -10:30 p.m.), and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, R. Axiak

City Clerk, T. Stephens

General Manager of Corporate & Enterprise Services/CFO, S. Nagel

Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart (7:07 p.m.)

Director of Community Services, J. Ruddell

Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar

Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday

Policy Planning Supervisor, 2 N. Aiello (9:52 p.m.)

Manager of Parks, Forestry, Cemeteries, Operations & Development, D. Steven (8:40 -9:45 p.m.)

Manager, Traffic/Parking/ Bylaws, A. Khan (8:40 - 8:57 p.m.)

Supervisor of Parks and Forestry, R. Nolan (8:40 - 9:45 p.m.)

2024 - 103

24-25 Moved by McLeod 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:

- for the purpose of educating members of Council and Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board:
 - Memorandum of Understanding Clarification.

CARRIED

2024 - 104

24-25 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:36 p.m. without report.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

21-30 Jon Braithwaite, Chief Executive Officer, The Hope Centre addressed Council regarding 662 Deer Street Project.

2024 - 105

99-90 Moved by McLeod and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes staff to enter into a Sponsorship Agreement with the Board of Management of the North Welland Business Improvement Area to fund the new pavilion and rest stop along the Woodlawn Bridge canal land trail area; and

THAT Welland City Council approves naming rights to the Board of Management of the North Welland Business Improvement Area for gifting the new pavilion and rest stop as per the City of Welland Municipal Naming and Renaming Policy SER-008-0006; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws and documents to enter into a sponsorship agreement with the Board of Management of the North Welland Business Improvement Area to be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk.

CARRIED

2024 - 106

99-99 Moved by Green and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to bring a report forward on a funding source for 2 additional concerts on the canal for a total of \$32 500.

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99-99 Moved by Chiocchio and DiMarco

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to work with the vendor to negotiate an extra concert to make it a total of seven (7).

LOST

FOLLOWING THE LOST VOTE TO THE AMENDMENT, THE MOTION WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND

99-99 Moved by Green and McLeod
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to execute and determine a funding source for 2 additional concerts on the canal for a total of \$32,500.

CARRIED

2024 - 107

02-160 Moved by DiMarco and Lee
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves registering all members of council for Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official 1.0 and 2.0 training offered through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

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02-160 Moved by Fokkens and Chiocchio
THAT the motion be amended to identify registering “interested” members of Council.

CARRIED

FOLLOWING THE APPROVED MOTION TO AMEND, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED AND

02-160 Moved by Fokkens and Chiocchio
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves registering interested members of council for Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official 1.0 and 2.0 training offered through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

YEAS: Lee, Green Speck, McLeod, Richard, Setaram, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Chiocchio and DiMarco.

CARRIED

2024 - 108

02-160 Moved by Setaram and Moote
WHEREAS, Ontario Regulation 543/06 Section 3(7) states that “Notice shall be given by publishing a notice in a newspaper that, in the opinion of the clerk of the municipality or the secretary-treasurer of the planning board, is of sufficiently general circulation in the area to which the proposed official plan or plan amendment would apply that it would give the public reasonable notice of the public meeting or open house, as the case may be. O. Reg. 543/06, s. 3 (7)”; and
WHEREAS, the Ontario Regulation 543/06 gives the municipality two options for notice, one to send a notice to all property owners within 120 m of the subject lands and post a sign; or second to post in a local newspaper; and further
WHEREAS, the City policy is to post the Notice in the Welland Tribune which requires a paid subscription.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

WELLAND directs staff to amend the City of Welland notice practice to include posting a sign.

CARRIED

2024 - 109

09-152 Moved by McLeod and VanVliet (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the request from the Town and Gown Committee of paying \$1,068.98 for one (1) off duty police officers to patrol in the Niagara College area on move out weekend from the 2024 Advisory Committee Activity Account.

CARRIED

2024 - 110

21-30 Moved by Van Vliet and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Jon Braithwaite, Chief Executive Officer, The Hope Centre regarding 662 Deer Street Project.

CARRIED

2024 - 111

21-30 Moved by Chiocchio and Fokkens

THAT COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND endorses The Hope Centre: Community Resources In Advocacy's (the Hope Centre) proposal to provide three Affordable Rental Housing Units at the municipally owned property known as 662 Deere Street; and THAT Welland City Council approves entering into a long-term land lease agreement with the Hope Centre for the property municipally known as 662 Deere Street; and THAT Welland City Council approves funding to the Hope Centre in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Affordable Housing Reserve Fund to support the proposed project; and

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to provide municipal services to 662 Deere Street's lot line; and

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare all the necessary documentation and By-laws relative to the funding and lease; and further

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute all the necessary documents relative to the funding and lease.

YEAS: Lee, Green, Chiocchio, McLeod, DiMarco, Richard, Setaram, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Fokkens.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in a matter and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his company provides apparel to the Hope Centre).

CARRIED

2024 - 112**23-29** Moved by Fokkens and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to prepare a report for Council to consider a "Councillor Information Report".

CARRIED**2024 - 113****24-14** Moved by Van Vliet and Lee

WHEREAS, at Special Council meeting Report FIN-2024-05: 2023 Remuneration & Expenditures - Members of Council & Committee of Adjustment Members identified the cost of our current design of council had an impact on the tax base \$560,796.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to provide council with options on a reduced council size, with the sole objective to reduce the cost on to the taxpayer.

CARRIED**2024 - 114****24-19** Moved by Lee and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives Report CS-2024-04: Response to Notice of Motion 2024-19 Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Tree Removals on Merritt Island for information.

24-19 Moved by Fokkens and Chiocchio

THAT the Welland City Council refers Report CS-2024-04: Response to Notice of Motion 2024-19 Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Tree Removals on Merritt Island back to staff.

CARRIED**2024 - 115****24-22** Moved by McLeod and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report TRAF-2024-03: Stop Signs at Daimler Parkway and Magnolia Lane.

CARRIED**2024 - 116****24-46** Moved by Green and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the tender price from ISN Canada Group Holdings Inc. in the amount of \$395,910.37 (plus HST) being the lowest received for the Removal, Supply and Installation of Vehicle Lift tender; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents and agreements for the contract.

CARRIED

2024 - 117**24-53** Moved by McLeod and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the tender from Peters Concrete Inc. in the amount of \$557,450.00 (plus HST) being the lowest bid received for the Utility Cuts Final Restoration 2024 contract; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents to execute the project.

CARRIED**2024 - 118****24-55** Moved by Chiocchio and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report P&B 2024-06 regarding applications for Official Plan Amendment (OPA No. 49) and Zoning By-law Amendment (2024-01), municipally known as 418, 424, 430 Aqueduct Street and 650, 656, 664, 670, 678 Niagara Street.

YEAS: Lee, McLeod, Setaram, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Green, Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, and Fokkens.

LOST**2024 - 119****24-55** Moved by Green and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the signed petition from the City of Welland regarding the proposed amendments to the City of Welland Official Plan/Zoning By-law for 418-430 Aqueduct Street and 650-678 Niagara Street and forwards the matter to staff.

CARRIED**BY-LAWS**

Moved by Moote and Lee

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.

24-53

BYL 2024 - 24

A By-law to authorize entering into a contract with Peters Concrete Inc. for the Utility Cuts Final Restoration 2024 Project.

24-46

BYL 2024 - 25

A By-law to authorize entering into a contract with ISN Canada Group Holdings Inc. for the removal, supply and installation of vehicle lift.

CARRIED

Moved by McLeod and Mootie

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.

24-4

BYL 2024 - 26

A By-law to cancel city taxes for 334 Thorold Road (File: Brown 2024-92).

CARRIED

Moved by Richard 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.

24-1

BYL 2024 - 27

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 April, 2024.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 23rd day of April, 2024.