



CITY OF Welland

MINUTES OF THE JULY 14, 2026, COUNCIL MEETING CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS 60 EAST MAIN STREET

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 5:05 p.m. and in open session at 7:15 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

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

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, J. Ruddell

Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy City Clerk, S. Conidi

Legislative Assistant, C. Viger

Director of Community Services, J. McPetrie

Acting Fire Chief, M. Richardson

Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar

Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday

Director of Strategic Initiatives and Economic Development, L. DeChellis

Chief Communications & Public Engagement Manager, M. MacDonald

Chief Human Resources Officer, A. Daisley (5:07 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.)

City Treasurer, M. Steele

Manager of Economic Development, L. Allen (5:07 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.)

Manager of Development Planning, T. Meadows (5:07 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.)

Records and Information Co-Ordinator, S. Bellissimo (7:15 p.m. - 7:23 p.m.)

Manager of Parks, Forestry and Cemeteries, D. Steven (5:07 p.m. - 10:20 p.m.)

Manager of Facility Operations & Development, F. Pearson (5:07 p.m. - 10:20 p.m.)

Manager of Capital Engineering, K. Walsh (7:15 p.m. - 10:56 p.m.)

2026 - 133

26-25 Moved by Van Vliet and Grimaldi

THAT Council meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 5:07 p.m. to consider:

- litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
 - Ontario Land Tribunal Appeals Update.
- proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
 - Property Matter.
 - Disposition of City owned lands.
- a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;
 - Renewal of Existing Land Use Agreement.
- labour relations or employee negotiations;
 - Volunteer Firefighters CA Ratification.

CARRIED

2026 - 134

26-25 Moved by Van Vliet and McLeod

THAT Council arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:07 p.m. with report.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

24-78 John Brinkman and Steve Nagy, Coyle Creek residents to address Council regarding Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility.

PRESENTATIONS

24-78 Dave Augustine, Facilitator addressed Council regarding Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility – Community Engagement Overview.

24-78 Sherri-Marie Millar, Director of Infrastructure Services & City Engineer and Kelly Walsh, Manager of Capital Engineering addressed Council regarding Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility.

2026 - 135

26-1 Moved by Grimaldi and McLeod

THAT Council hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 9 and 16, 2026, as circulated.

CARRIED

2026 - 136

23-50 Moved by Lee and Green (in block)

THAT Council approves the updated Records Classification and Retention By-law and Schedule A, attached as Appendix I and II, respectively.

CARRIED

2026 - 137

24-78 Moved by Setaram and Chiocchio

THAT Council receives for information the delegation regarding the Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility.

CARRIED

2026 - 138

24-78 Moved by Setaram and Chiocchio

THAT Council receives Report ENG-2026-13: Response to Council Motion – Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility for information; and further

THAT Council approves the installation of black decorative fencing around the perimeter of the Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility as designed to be funded from the existing approved project budget.

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(Council requested the final motion be separated for voting).

2026 - 139

24-78 Moved by Moote and McLeod

THAT Council receives Report ENG-2026-13: Response to Council Motion – Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility for information.

CARRIED

2026 - 140

24-78 Moved by Moote and McLeod

THAT Council approves the installation of black vinyl fencing around the perimeter of the Coyle Creek Stormwater Management Facility as designed to be funded from the existing approved project budget.

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

NAYS: Chiocchio, DiMarco, Green, Setaram and Speck.

CARRIED

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

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

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

LOST

2026 - 141

26-6 Moved by Lee and Green (in block)

THAT Council declares October 10, 2026, as “National Dental Care Day” in the City of Welland.

CARRIED

2026 - 142

26-6 Moved by Lee and Green (in block)

THAT Council declares June 23, 2026, as “Developmental Service Worker Appreciation Day” in the City of Welland.

CARRIED

2026 - 143

26-19 Moved by Green and Moote

THAT Council approves the creation of a new capital project for the New Recreation and Community Complex Class “C” Cost Estimate with a project budget of \$40,000 to be funded from the Capital Surplus Reserve.

CARRIED

2026 - 144

26-55 Moved by Green and Lee

THAT Council accepts the tender from Walker Construction Limited in the amount of \$1,581,156.00 (plus HST) being the lowest bid received for the 2026 Pavement Rejuvenation Program contract.

CARRIED

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

2026 - 145

24-55 Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

WHEREAS, Council, through the enactment of its Confirmatory By-law passed on June 9, 2026, confirmed an in-camera decision; and further

WHEREAS, Council has since received new information and further legal advice respecting that matter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council reconsider its in camera decision of June 9, 2026, in accordance with Article 17 of Procedural By-law 2024-95.

CARRIED

2026 - 146**26-25**

Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT Council meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 10:20 p.m. to consider:

- litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
 - Ontario Land Tribunal Appeals Update.

CARRIED**2026 - 147****26-25**

Moved by Lee and Grimaldi

THAT Council arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 10:27 p.m. without report.

CARRIED**BY-LAWS**

Moved by Lee and Green (in block)

THAT Council 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.

23-50

BYL 2026 - 25

A By-law to establish a new records retentions schedule for the City of Welland, and to repeal By-law No. 9314 and all amendments thereto.

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BYL 2026 - 26

A By-law to delegate certain powers and duties under the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, and other acts as contained in Schedule "A" appended hereto.

CARRIED

Moved by Setaram and Lee

THAT Council 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.

26-1

BYL 2026 - 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 14th day of July 2026.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 11th day of August 2026.