

TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, June 22, 2020 6:00 PM

Council Chambers, 271 Sandwich Street South, Amherstburg, ON, N9V 2A5

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mayor Aldo DiCarlo Deputy Mayor Leo Meloche Councillor Peter Courtney Councillor Donald McArthur Councillor Michael Prue Councillor Marc Renaud Councillor Patricia Simone

Giovanni (John) Miceli, CAO Paula Parker, Clerk Tammy Fowkes, Deputy Clerk

Mayor DiCarlo was in attendance in Council Chambers. All other members of Council participated in the meeting through video conferencing technology from remote locations.

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 8:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest noted.

The Mayor read the Town's "Black Lives Matter" proclamation. The proclamation forms part of these minutes as Appendix A.

REPORT OUT FROM SPECIAL IN-CAMERA SESSION - June 8, 2020

Council met for a Special In-Camera Meeting on June 8, 2020, at 4:10 pm as provided for under section 239 of the Municipal Act:

Item A was heard under sections 239(2)(b)(d)& (f). As a result of this discussion Council is pleased to announce that the CAO Evaluation conducted by Kercz International Ltd. is complete.

The evaluation process was a 360-peer review, consisting of Council, peers, direct reports and key community stakeholders. The competency areas selected by Council for this review included; Visioning, In-Depth Problem Solving and Analysis, Decisive Judgement, Championing Change, Relationship Management, Teamwork and Collaboration, Planning and Organizing, Driving for Results, Continuous Improvement, Team Leadership, Resilience, Business Acumen, Integrity, and Courage of Convictions. These competency areas were assessed from a variety of perspectives including an in-depth behavioural interview with Mr. Miceli, interviews with key individuals familiar with his leadership style and approach, standardized psychometric behavioural testing, and a 360 peer review survey.

It is clear from the results that Mr. Miceli demonstrates above average skills and abilities within the competency areas deemed important for the role of CAO Town of Amherstburg. Council is delighted with the results of this CAO Evaluation and congratulate Mr. Miceli on his remarkable results.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolution # 20200622-174

Moved By Councillor Renaud Seconded By Councillor Simone That the minutes BE ADOPTED and that those confidential minutes of the closed sessions of Council remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with exemptions provided in the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:

5.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes - March 9, 2020

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

DELEGATIONS

6.1 Request for 4-way Stop Sign at Cherrylawn and Pickering - Katherine Meloche

Item # 12.1 was moved forward.

Resolution # 20200622-175

Moved By Councillor Prue Seconded By Councillor Simone

That:

- 1. The delegation BE RECEIVED;
- 2. The information report regarding Traffic Study 4 Way Stop Pickering and Cherrylawn BE RECEIVED; and,
- 3. Administration BE DIRECTED to bring back a report as soon as possible once the speed data has been collected at Pickering and Cherrylawn and to provide the remedies available to lower the speed in that location.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

REPORTS – CORPORATE SERVICES

7.1 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) - Rural and Northern Communities Funding Stream Grant Transfer Payment Agreement

Resolution # 20200622-176

Moved By Councillor McArthur Seconded By Councillor Renaud

That:

- Authorization BE GIVEN to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Rural and Northern Stream (ICIP) for funding of up to \$2,874,885 toward Reconstruction of Bridge 3012 – 5th Concession North over River Canard at an estimated total project cost of \$3,450,000 including net HST;
- 2. A capital expenditure not to exceed \$3,050,000 including net HST BE APPROVED as a first charge to the 2021 Budget for construction of Bridge No 3012, to be funded from the ICIP and a transfer from the Reserve Fund General; and,
- 3. By-law 2020-038 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs funding BE TAKEN as having been read three times and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to sign same.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

REPORTS – PARKS, FACILITIES, RECREATION AND CULTURE

There were no reports.

REPORTS – ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS

9.1 Placement of Underground Infrastructure, Curbs and Base Asphalt on Maintenance – Kingsbridge Subdivision Phase 5A

Resolution # 20200622-177

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor McArthur

That:

- 1. The recommendations of the consulting engineer, Baird AE regarding the Placement of Underground Infrastructure, Curbs and Base Asphalt on Maintenance – Kingsbridge Subdivision Phase 5A BE ACCEPTED; and,
- 2. The underground infrastructure, base asphalt and curbs for Kingsbridge Subdivision Phase 5A BE PLACED on a 1-year maintenance period, commencing June 5, 2020.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

9.2 Placement of Underground Infrastructure, Curbs and Base Asphalt on Maintenance – Kingsbridge Subdivision Phase 9B

Resolution # 20200622-178

Moved By Councillor Courtney Seconded By Councillor Renaud

That:

- The recommendations of the consulting engineer, Baird AE regarding the Placement of Underground Infrastructure, Curbs and Base Asphalt on Maintenance – Kingsbridge Subdivision Phase 9B BE ACCEPTED; and,
- 2. The underground infrastructure, base asphalt and curbs for Kingsbridge Subdivision Phase 9B BE PLACED on a 1-year maintenance period, commencing June 4, 2020.

The Mayor put the Motion.

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9.3 Placement of Kingsbridge Sanitary Trunk Sewer on Maintenance

Resolution # 20200622-179

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor Simone

That:

- 1. The recommendations of the consulting engineer, Baird AE regarding the Placement of the Kingsbridge Sanitary Trunk Sewer on Maintenance BE ACCEPTED; and,
- 2. The Kingsbridge Sanitary Trunk Sewer BE PLACED on a 1-year maintenance period, commencing May 31, 2020.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

9.4 Fryer Street Reconstruction – Alma Street to Simcoe Street - Engineering Services

Resolution # 20200622-180

Moved By Councillor McArthur Seconded By Deputy Mayor Meloche

That:

- 1. The proposal from Dillon Consulting Limited for Fryer Street Reconstruction (Alma St to Simcoe St) Engineering Services BE ACCEPTED;
- 2. An over-expenditure not to exceed \$19,488, including net HST, for Fryer St Reconstruction (Alma St. to Simcoe St) Engineering Services, for a total project cost of \$139,488 including net HST, BE APPROVED;
- 3. The over-expenditure of \$19,488 BE FUNDED from taxation, with any surplus/deficit resulting from taxation funded operations to be addressed through recommendations in the year end (Q4) variance report; and,

4. The Mayor and Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to execute an agreement with Dillon Consulting Limited for Engineering Services - Fryer Street Reconstruction for a total not to exceed \$137,075 plus applicable taxes.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

REPORTS – PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

There were no reports.

REPORTS - CAO's OFFICE

11.1 Disposition of Surplus Property Policy – Amendment

Resolution # 20200622-181

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor Renaud

That the Disposition of Surplus Property Policy BE AMENDED as presented.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

11.2 At-large vs. Ward System Elections

Councillor Simone amended the motion to bring additional election system options forward and to place the type of election system as a question on the ballot for the 2022 Election.

Resolution # 20200622-182

Moved By Councillor Simone Seconded By Councillor Prue

That:

1. The Clerk BE DIRECTED to bring an additional option forward to Council with respect to an At-large vs. Ward System Election; and,

2. The type of election system BE PLACED as a question on the ballot for the 2022 Election.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

INFORMATION REPORTS

12.1 Traffic Study – 4 Way Stop – Pickering and Cherrylawn – as dealt with above Resolution # 20200622-183

Moved By Councillor Prue Seconded By Councillor Simone

That the following information report BE RECEIVED:

12.2 Monthly Fire Department Activity Report – May 2020

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

CONSENT CORRESPONDENCE

Resolution # 20200622-184

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor Courtney

That the following consent correspondence BE RECEIVED:

- 13.1 Amherstburg Policing Activities 2nd Quarter
- 13.2 Spread of COVID-19 in Farm Worker Population Town of Essex Resolution
- 13.3 Planning Act, End of Temporary Extension Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- 13.4 Broadband Access Grey County Resolution
- 13.5 Letter of Support for Long Term Care Funding and Commission Chatham-Kent Resolution

13.6 Support Letter for Alzheimer Society - Chatham-Kent Resolution

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Resolution # 20200622-185

Moved By Councillor Prue Seconded By Councillor Simone

(Item 13.2) - That Administration BE DIRECTED to send correspondence in support of the Town of Essex's resolution regarding their request for urgent and emergency action to be taken by all levels of government to support all local farm workers, including migrant workers, as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic, with the exception of the portion of the resolution relating to mandatory testing.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor Simone

That the meeting BE EXTENDED to 10:30 p.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business brought forward.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Deputy Mayor Meloche brought forward By-law 2020-028 as discussed at the Statutory Planning Meeting held prior to this Regular Meeting.

Resolution # 20200622-186

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor Simone

That By-law 2020-028 being a Zoning By-law Amendment for the Extension of the Temporary Use By-law for 9830 Walker Road (File ZBA-03-20) be taken as having been read three times and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk BE AUTHROIZED to sign same.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

2. Resolution # 20200622-187

Moved By Councillor McArthur Seconded By Councillor Renaud

That the Mayor email Premier Doug Ford tomorrow, June 23rd, 2020, to voice the Town's position that Amherstburg businesses desperately want to open and that the decision to open be made expeditiously before additional layoffs and business closures occur in the Town of Amherstburg.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

3. Councillor McArthur asked when the public washrooms in the Kings Navy Yard Park will be open for visitors.

The Director of Parks, Facilities, Recreation and Culture advised that public washrooms have been closed while in Phase 1 of the Province's directives; however, some municipalities have opened up their public washrooms with additional measures and resources. He advised he is looking to redeploy current staff, in the absence of summer students, to clean the public washrooms once all cleaning and sanitize protocols are in place. He further advised that a fogger has been purchased to sterilize the entire washroom through a fogging process.

The Chief Administrative Officer noted that it is each municipality's obligation to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus. He advised that the Town is focusing on establishing proper cleaning protocols to ensure safe opening of all public facilities.

4. Resolution # 20200622-188

Moved By Councillor Simone Seconded By Councillor McArthur

That Administration BE DIRECTED to look into the possibility of lowering the speed limit from 60 km to 50 km on Meloche Road between Alma and Simcoe as a result of increased vehicular and pedestrian traffic due to the new Meadowview Estates subdivision.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

NOTICE OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion.

BY-LAWS

17.1 By-law 2020-039 - Confirmatory By-law

Resolution # 20200622-189

Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche Seconded By Councillor Renaud

That By-law 2020-039 being a by-law to Confirm all Resolutions of the Municipal Council Meeting held on June 22nd, 2020, be taken as having been read three times and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to sign same.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Courtney Seconded By Councillor Renaud

That Council rise and adjourn at 10:14 p.m.

The Mayor put the Motion.

Motion Carried

MAYÓR - ALDO DICARLO

PAULA PARKER CL

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Proclamation



The Corporation of the Town of Amherstburg

"Black Lives Matter"

WHEREAS: The Town of Amherstburg believes that Black Lives Matter;

WHEREAS: The Town of Amherstburg acknowledges there is systemic anti black racism in Canada and pledges to continue to work toward its eradication;

WHEREAS: The Town of Amherstburg believes that all people should be treated equally and that everyone should be treated with dignity, compassion and respect. We stand united against racism, anti-Semitism, intolerance and hatred in all its forms;

WHEREAS: The Town of Amherstburg has a proud and rich black history and is home to the Amherstburg Freedom Museum, an educational and cultural institution that memorializes the Underground Railroad and the refugee slaves who first found freedom on our welcoming shores;

WHEREAS: The Town of Amherstburg will continue to celebrate that history and continue to support the Museum's efforts to educate, engage and inform residents about the black experience in Amherstburg and beyond. We will continue to work with them and the broader black community to build a more inclusive and tolerant society, where people are judged by their actions and not the colour of their skin; and,

THEREFORE: The Town of Amherstburg will continue to listen and learn and reflect on its own practices and policies. We will continue to champion inclusivity and tolerance and speak out strongly against all instances of racism, prejudice and hatred.

DATED AT TOWN HALL, The Town of Amherstburg, the 22nd day of June, 2020.

Aldo DiCarlo, Mayor