

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes February 7, 2023

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## **Council Meeting Minutes - February 7, 2023**

7:00 PM, Parry Sound Council Chambers 52 Seguin St. Parry Sound

### **Members Present**

Mayor McGarvey, Councillor Ashford, Councillor Beleskey, Councillor Borneman  
Councillor Keith, Councillor McCann, Councillor McDonald

### **Staff Present:**

CAO Clayton Harris, Clerk Rebecca Johnson, Director of Development & Protective Services Dave Thompson, Director of Finance Stephanie Phillips, Director of Public Works Mike Kearns, By-law Enforcement Officer Allison Kreuger

Prior to the Regular Meeting, Council adjourned to a meeting closed to the public per the following resolution.

### **Resolution 2022 - 010**

**Moved by Councillor McCann**

**Seconded by Councillor Borneman**

That pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound move to a meeting closed to the public in order to address a matter(s) pertaining to:

c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for municipal or local board purposes; **(Land for consideration as surplus)**

d) labour relations or employee negotiations; **(Potential new position).**

**Carried**

## **Presentation/Announcements - N/A**

### **1. Agenda and Minutes Review**

#### **1.1 Land Acknowledgement**

#### **1.2 Additions to Agenda - N/A**

#### **1.3 Prioritization of Agenda - N/A**

#### **1.4 Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved by Councillor Borneman**

**Seconded by Councillor Ashford**

That the Council agenda for February 7, 2023 be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

#### **1.5 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof - N/A**

#### **1.6 Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved by Councillor Keith**

**Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held January 17 and Special Meeting held January 31, 2023 be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

## **2. Public Meeting**

## **3. Questions of Staff**

**3.1** In response to Cllr. Borneman's inquiry on Development Charges, CAO Clayton Harris and Director of Finance Stephanie Phillips reported that the Town is scheduled to put in place the first Development Charges (DCs) by-law in more than 20 years, with the concept that growth pays for growth; new development pays for water, sewer, road

works, etc. The process undertaken has included the collection of data for the past 1.5 years. A requirement under the legislation, is to put out a list of projects planned to be undertaken and the resulting charges upon which residents, developers, builders etc. can comment. External consultants familiar with doing DCs around the province have been engaged and have incorporated reductions in DCs approved by the Province in December 2022. Comments can be provided prior to noon March 2nd or made at the Public Meeting scheduled for Tues. March 7 at 7 PM in the Council Chambers or by virtual link. The By-law is scheduled to be considered at the March 21st meeting.

**3.2** In response to Councillor Borneman's inquiry regarding lifeguards and Snowfest, Director of Public Works Mike Kearns reported that the recruiting process has started for summer lifeguards, and Snowfest information is promoted on facebook with more postings coming on the Town's website.

**3.3** In response to Councillor Keith's inquiry regarding plans for snow removal, Mr. Kearns reported that there have been a couple of rounds of snow removal with one underway right now. It is difficult to forecast specific dates for snow removal with weather changes and effort diverted to snow plowing. Some areas receive more attention to snow removal depending upon volume and speed of traffic. Where there are specific concerns, Mr. Kearns encouraged residents to contact the Town office.

#### **4. Correspondence**

**4.1** Janice Heidman, GM, CB&DC letter of thanks for MAP allocation - filed

**4.2** Diana Clements, PS Forest School letter of thanks for MAP allocation - filed

**4.3** Legend Spirits Company Ltd. Request approval of Tied-house application for portion of building at 7 Great North Road - Referred to Manager of Planning for follow-up.

**4.4** Maurizio's Pizzeria - appreciation voucher for Municipal Snowplow Operators - filed.

## **5. Deputations**

### **5.1 Nadine Hammond, Curator/Manager, West Parry Sound District Museum**

RE: 2023 Budget Request

Nadine Hammond, Curator/Manager of the West Parry Sound District Museum addressed Council from a prepared power point presentation on the history of the Museum, its Strategic Plan and Strategic Objectives, Highlights of 2022, upcoming programming, and budget request of the Town.

In response to questions, Ms. Hammond reported on the OA&PS Railroad model installed at the Museum and indicated that more volunteers were welcome to assist with running it.

## **6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports**

Mayor & Councillors gave reports on meetings attended and matters arising. Mayor McGarvey gave notice that he would like Council to consider a resolution at an upcoming Council meeting to host the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Conference in either 2025 or 2026.

## **7. Ratification of Matters From Closed Agenda - N/A**

## **8. Consent Agenda - N/A**

## **9. Resolutions and Direction To Staff**

### **9.1 Finance and POA Court Services - N/A**

### **9.2 Public Works - N/A**

### **9.3 Development and Protective Services**

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### **9.3.1 EMS Advisory Committee Appointments**

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Development and Protective Services

#### **Resolution 2023 - 011**

**Moved by Councillor Borneman**

**Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That the Council for the Town of Parry Sound appoint the following representatives who have a least a majority support of their municipalities to the EMS Advisory Committee;

Scott Sheard, Ann MacDiarmid, Joel Constable, Shelly Foote, Pearl Ivens, John Wilson

**Carried**

The following direction was proposed:

#### **Direction for Staff Follow-up**

**Moved by Councillor Keith**

**Seconded by Councillor Borneman**

That a report be brought back to the next Council meeting to consider the most workable Terms of Reference components for the Committee.

**Carried**

### **9.3.2 Parking on Salt Dock Road**

Spokesperson: Allison Kreuger, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer

#### **Resolution 2023 - 012**

**Moved by Councillor McCann**

**Seconded by Councillor Borneman**

That the report on Salt Dock Road parking be received for information purposes.

**Carried**

#### **9.4 CAO Office/Administration**

##### **9.4.1 Downtown Business Association Board Appointments**

Spokesperson: Rebecca Johnson, Clerk

#### **Resolution 2023 - 013**

**Moved by Councillor Borneman**

**Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That upon the request of the Parry Sound Downtown Business Association (DBA), Council approves the following with respect to Board membership:

1. That Jess Caux (incorrectly identified as Jess Cox in appointing Resolution 2022-157) be removed from the DBA Board of Directors upon her resignation effective immediately; and
2. That Don Corbett and Seanan Megyesi be appointed to the DBA Board of Directors for the term ending Nov 14, 2026, effective immediately.

**Carried**

#### **9.5 Other Business**

##### **9.5.1 Maintain McDougall School and Mega School Serving Grades 7-12.**

Spokesperson: Mayor McGarvey

#### **Resolution 2023 - 014**

**Moved by Councillor Ashford**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

Whereas the West Parry Sound community continues to have concerns regarding the under sizing of the new Mega School;

Whereas the incorporation of portables or “Pods” into the design heightens these concerns;

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Whereas parity for students across the school district in addition to population growth are factors that should be utilized when determining school sizes;

Whereas schools are an integral part of supporting more growth and the Province's priority to build more homes;

Whereas the August 2022 Smart Prosperity Institute's report projects a need for 1.5m homes across the province over the next 10 years, 3,200 of which will be required in the Parry Sound District;

Whereas parity in terms of space per student and spending per student should be equitable for all students across the Near North school district;

Whereas, for example, the existing high school and the schools in Nobel and McDougall have a total of five (5) gymnasiums, including four (4) standard and one (1) full size gymnasium; and

Whereas the new Mega School is planned to only have one gymnasium;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Parry Sound requests the board provide an analysis comparing space per capita and spending per capita for students in West Parry Sound and North Bay;

That the Board consider refurbishing the McDougall school for grades JK to 6;

That the new Mega School be used for grades 7 to 12; and

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Education Stephen Lecce, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing Steve Clark, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Graydon Smith, Heads of Council of the municipalities of The Archipelago, Carling, McDougall, McKellar, Seguin and Whitestone and the Near North District School Board.

The following amendment was proposed:

**Moved by Councillor Keith**

**Seconded by Councillor McCann**

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That the following be added at the end of the Resolution: And that a progress report be provided by the Board on a monthly basis.

**Amendment Carried**

Amended Resolution was voted on.

**Carried as Amended**

**9.5.2 Support for Securing Canada's \$1 billion investment in Freshwater Action Plan**

Spokesperson: Mayor McGarvey

**Resolution 2023 - 015**

**Moved by Councillor Ashford**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

That the Town of Parry Sound hereby supports the Township of The Archipelago's Resolution 22-195 as attached, which calls on the federal government to

1. commit \$1 billion in funding over five years for a strengthened Freshwater Action Plan in Budget 2023;
2. guide its Freshwater Action Plan funding to implement recommendations in the Action Plan 2020-2030;
3. direct priority funding under the strengthened Freshwater Action Plan to projects in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River Basin;
4. make municipalities eligible for future funding in programs announced under the strengthened Freshwater Action Plan; and

That this resolution be sent to the Federal Deputy Prime-Minister and Minister of Finance; the Minister of Environment and Climate Change; the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change (responsible for the Canada Water Agency), the local Member of Parliament, and the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative.



**Carried**

**9.5.3 Rosetta-James-William All-Way Stop.**

Spokesperson: Councillor Ashford

**Direction for Staff Follow-up**

**Moved by Councillor Ashford**

**Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That staff be directed to report back to Council on the feasibility of providing an All-Way Stop at the corner of James, William and Rosetta Streets.

**Carried**

**9.5.4 Waubeek-Wood Street Safety Features**

Spokesperson: Councillor Ashford

**Direction for Staff Follow-up**

**Moved by Councillor Ashford**

**Seconded by Councillor Keith**

That staff be directed to report back to Council on the feasibility of increasing safety features at the corner of Wood and Waubeek Streets, including consideration of making it an All-Way Stop, adding curbs, and replacing 265 m of asphalt sidewalk remaining on Wood Street.

**Carried**

**10. By-laws**

**10.1 Finance and POA Court Services**

**10.2 Public Works**

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**10.2.1** Lakeland Holding Ltd. - lease agreements for charging locations as part of Natural Resources Canada's Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Program

Spokesperson: Mike Kearns, Director of Public Works

**By-law 2023 - 7312**

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of lease agreements with Lakeland Holding Ltd. to support Lakeland's project with Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) under the Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Program.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed.**

**10.3 Development and Protective Services**

**10.4 CAO Office/Administration**

**10.5 Other Business**

**10.5.1** Confirming By-law

**By-law 2023 - 7313**

Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

**Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed, Signed and Sealed.**

**11. Adjournment**

Mayor McGarvey adjourned the meeting at 8:46 PM

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