

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes December 5, 2023

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## **Council Meeting Minutes - December 5, 2023**

7:05 PM, Parry Sound Council Chambers 52 Seguin St. Parry Sound; 6:00 PM Closed

### **Members Present**

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

**Regrets:** Councillor Borneman, Councillor Keith

### **Staff Present:**

CAO Clayton Harris, Clerk Rebecca Johnson, Director of Public Works Mike Kearns,  
Director of Finance Stephanie Phillips, Director of Development & Protective Services  
Dave Thompson, Manager of Planning Jeremy Rand, Manager of Revenue & Taxation  
Rob Beaumont

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**Closed Meeting Resolution**

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

**Resolution 2023 - 178**

**Moved by Councillor McCann**

**Seconded by Councillor Beleskey**

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:

- b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, (**Director Performance Reviews**);
- c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for municipal or local board purposes, (**MTO Lands**);
- k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board, (**Seguin Township request to collaborate on creation of a boundary road; consideration of request to manage PS & Area Industrial Park water and wastewater services**).

**Carried**

## **1. Agenda and Minutes Review, Pecuniary Interest**

- 1.1 Land Acknowledgement**
- 1.2 Presentations/Announcements - N/A**
- 1.3 Additions to Agenda - N/A**
- 1.4 Prioritization of Agenda - N/A**
- 1.5 Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved by Councillor Beleskey                      Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That the Council agenda for December 5, 2023 be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

- 1.6 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof - N/A**
- 1.7 Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved by Councillor Ashford                      Seconded by Councillor McCann**

That the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held November 21, 2023 be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

## **2. Public Meeting - N/A**

## **3. Questions of Staff**

**3.1** In response to councillor Ashford's inquiry regarding traffic control at the corner of William and James Streets, Director of Public Works Mike Kearns reported that they have looked at the traffic design data and guidelines. Normally a 4-way stop has relatively equal volume of cross traffic, and this intersection does not. This, in addition to the "skew" at the intersection is likely the reason that the intersection has remained signed as it is. Mr. Kearns noted that a more fulsome report would be coming back to Council soon regarding this matter.

**3.2** In response to Councillor McDonald's inquiry regarding alarms going off at the Bobby Orr Community Centre, Mr. Kearns reported that the issue was identified as a faulty heat sensor on the second floor which has been corrected.

## **4. Correspondence**

**4.1** Lisa Molyneaux, Request for Lights on Bowes at Louisa and Meadow Streets - filed and copied to Director of Public Works.

## **5. Deputations**

### **5.1 Chamber of Commerce Request for 2024 Funding**

Daryl Glimps, Vice President of the Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (the Chamber), addressed Council identifying the purpose and work of the Chamber and their funding sources. Citing the Chamber's fair funding formulae for area municipal contributions, Mr. Glimps requested that the Town provide \$7,980 to the Chamber for 2024. With respect to an inquiry as to why the formulae does not include

seasonal residents, Mr. Glimps said he didn't know the history or facts behind that but that it could be revisited by the Board.

The following motion for direction was made:

**Moved by Councillor McCann**

**Seconded by Councillor Ashford**

That the Chamber request for \$7,980 be forwarded through the budget process for consideration.

**Carried**

## **5.2 Dave Chalk - Penalty & Interest Relief from Unpaid Taxes**

Dave Chalk addressed Council requesting relief from payment of penalty and interest on unpaid property taxes at 59 Parry Sound Road. Mr. Chalk noted that he built the property some years ago, sold it to his mother who since passed away. Mr. Chalk's sister, the executor of the property and/or Mr. Chalk's stepfather who lived in the unit was to ensure that bills and taxes were paid. Mr. Chalk noted that the property was to revert to his sister and himself, but that since his name was not on title, he did not receive the tax bills and did not know the status of unpaid taxes over the last approximate 5 years. Mr. Chalk said that he consulted with a friend who said that the Town has the ability to write off the penalty and interest if it wants, and that is what he was requesting. If penalty and interest were written off, Mr. Chalk said he would pay off all the outstanding taxes.

Mayor McGarvey recommended and Council agreed by show of hands, that a staff report on the matter come back to a Council meeting for consideration.

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

Members of Council reported on meetings attended and matters arising.

## **7. Ratification of Matters From Closed Agenda**

### **7.1 Collaboration with Seguin Twp. on Creation of a Boundary Rd.**

Spokespersons: Clayton Harris, CAO; Jeremy Rand, Manager of Planning

#### **Resolution 2023 - 179**

**Moved by Councillor Ashford**

**Seconded by Councillor Beleskey**

That staff be directed to reach out to the Township of Seguin to address the Town's questions and concerns within the Report attached as Schedule A, regarding the implications of extending Parry Sound Road.

**Carried**

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

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

### **9.2.1 Community Safety & Well-Being Plan**

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Development & Protective Services

#### **Resolution 2023 - 180**

**Moved by Councillor Beleskey**

**Seconded by Councillor Ashford**

WHEREAS the Police Services Act, 1990 was amended to include new requirements for the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;

AND WHEREAS all municipalities across Ontario were instructed to develop and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan in partnership with stakeholder and groups that are active in delivering services within their community;

AND WHEREAS complex social problems cannot be addressed by police services

alone and that local service providers, working in areas such as health, mental health, education, community service, social service, children services and youth services play an integral role;

AND WHEREAS, too often, information and service silos are created which limit response effectiveness, providing an inadequate service that does not take full advantage of available resources;

AND WHEREAS an advisory committee was formed in the West Parry Sound area that included various agencies and community organizations to understand the issues that residents of the West Parry Sound area are facing with regard to safety and wellbeing;

AND WHEREAS the committee developed a West Parry Sound Area Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, a multi-sector approach to community safety and wellbeing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Town of Parry Sound adopt the WPS Area Community Safety and Well-Being Plan attached as Schedule A.

AND FURTHER that Dave Thompson be appointed as the Town's representative on the Plan Leadership Council.

**Carried**

#### **9.4.1 General Insurance Renewal and Risk Management Services**

Spokesperson: Stephanie Phillips, Director of Finance / Treasurer

##### **Resolution 2023 - 181**

**Moved by Councillor Beleskey**

**Seconded by Councillor Ashford**

That Council hereby approves the renewal of the Corporation's general insurance and risk management services with BFL Canada at the premium of up to \$705,066 plus tax for the one year period ending December 15, 2024.

**Carried**

## **10. By-laws**

### **10.2.1 ZBA - Z23-05 - 7 Great North Rd (Legends Distillery)**

Spokesperson: Jeremy Rand, Manager of Planning

Prior to consideration of the Rezoning By-law, Manager of Planning Jeremy Rand gave an overview of the purpose of the rezoning from a prepared power point presentation. Council discussed concerns with parking since the majority of requisite number of parking spaces are secured through an agreement with a neighbouring property owner. Mr. Rand and planning consultant Lauren Arsenault of Morgan Planning & Development acting on behalf of the property owner, explained that if the agreement with the neighbouring property owner regarding parking ended, cash-in-lieu of parking is an option that can be exercised. Ms. Arsenault also noted that the parking agreement can be renewed every year into perpetuity.

#### **By-law 2023 - 7381**

Being a By-law to amend by-law No. 2004-4653 (the Zoning By-law) as amended for 7 Great North Road, and legally described as Part of Lot 29, Concession 1 in the former Township of McDougall, now in the Town of Parry Sound being part of Road Reservations on East side and West side of Seguin River, South of Bridge on Seguin Street Plan 137 and Part of Water Lot C, Plan 11 and Part 2, PSR-1712.

**Read a First, Second & Third time, Passed and Sealed**

### **10.4.1 2024 Interim Tax By-law**

Spokesperson: Rob Beaumont, Manager Revenue & Taxation/Tax Collector

#### **By-law 2023 - 7382**

Being a bylaw to provide for an interim tax levy, for the payment of taxes, and for penalty and interest at 1 1/4 percent per month for the 2024 taxation year.



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**Read a First, Second & Third time, Passed and Sealed**

### **10.5.1 Confirming By-law**

**By-law 2023 - 7383**

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

**Read a First, Second & Third time, Passed and Sealed**

## **11. Adjournment**

Mayor McGarvey adjourned the meeting at 8:28

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Mayor Jamie McGarvey

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Clerk Rebecca Johnson