

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes June 18, 2024

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

Members Present

Mayor McGarvey, Councillor Ashford, Councillor Borneman, Councillor Keith, Councillor McCann, Councillor & Deputy Mayor McDonald

Councillors Absent: Councillor Beleskey

Staff Present:

CAO Clayton Harris, Clerk Rebecca Johnson, Director of Public Works Mike Kearns, Director of Finance Stephanie Phillips, Manager of Planning Jeremy Rand, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer Allison Kreuger, Manager of Operations Vinni Bonazza, Community Recreation Coordinator Jayme Young

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Closed Meeting Resolution

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

Resolution 2024 - 090

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McDonald

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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:

e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, (**Parry Sound Area Municipal Airport**);

f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, (**Parry Sound Area Municipal Airport**)

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

1.4.1 Mayor McGarvey & Councillor Borneman prioritized Agendas item 9.3.6 and 9.3.7 respectively.

1.5 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That the Council agenda for June 18, 2024 be approved as amended.

Carried

1.6 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

1.7 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held June 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.

Carried

2. Public Meeting - N/A

3. Questions of Staff

3.1 In response to Councillor McCann's inquiry about property standards, Municipal Law Enforcement Officer Allison Kreuger responded that the Town has a Property Standards by-law that addresses maintenance on the basis of complaint but does not include design regulations addressing issues considered more aesthetic in nature. With respect to the partially submerged dock adjacent to Tailwinds, Ms. Kreuger noted that it was unclear whether it belonged to Tailwinds or had shown up at their property and needs to be dealt with. Ms. Kreuger noted that unkempt lawns are under the jurisdiction of the Clean Yards Bylaw.

3.2 Ms. Kreuger confirmed Mayor McGarvey's comment that it is the responsibility of the property owner to clean up after animals have torn apart garbage bags out for pick-up.

3.3 In response to Councillor McCann's inquiry as to taking down signs after yard sales, Ms. Kreuger noted that the Sign By-law permits signs to be erected for garage sales, and they are to be removed within 24 hours of the sale. Ms. Kreuger noted that by-law staff either follow-up with the individuals based on the address on the sign, or remove the signs themselves

3.4 In response to Councillor Keith's inquiry as to the status of a review of the James-William-Rosetta Street intersection Director of Public Works Mike Kearns reported that staff did review the intersection, and do not recommend a 4-way stop for

other concerns that will arise as a result, and that a traffic lights and control system is costly and has not been budgeted for.

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That staff be directed to report back to Council with recommendations and solutions for the James/William/Rosetta intersection.

Carried

3.5 In response to Councillor McDonald's inquiry as to an update on hiring of an Economic Development Officer, CAO Clayton Harris reported that candidates have completed psychometric assessments, the results of which were reviewed this morning with the consultant who oversees the product, with a next step to structure second interview questions to delve deeper into fit for position.

3.6 In response to Councillor McDonald's inquiry regarding status of the RFP for playground equipment, Mr. Kearns reported that the Town will be pursuing procurement through the Canoe Group where a number of playground vendors are registered.

3.7 In response to Councillor Ashford's inquiry regarding the scheduling of boulevard trimming, Mr. Kearns reported that due to weather, and availability of summer students with drivers licenses, and/or availability of other full-time staff to transport students to locations for grounds maintenance, there is not a strict schedule that is adhered to, but rather an ebb and flow to completing the list of boulevards that need to be cut.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
RE: Response to Council Resolution 2024-048 which called for greater focus on funding infrastructure in small urban municipalities - Filed

4.2 Harvest Share invitation to Annual General Meeting - June 27, 2024 - Filed

4.3 Jessie Langford RE: Request to postpone decision on item 9.3.6 to remove the Waubuno Street pedestrian bridge until the public has an opportunity for input - Filed

4.4 Alex Prichard RE: opposition to removal of the Waubuno Street pedestrian bridge (item 9.3.6) - Filed

4.5 Colleen Baxter RE: opposition to removal of the Waubuno Street pedestrian bridge (item 9.3.6) - Filed

4.6 Keith Duncan RE: opposition to removal of the Waubuno Street pedestrian bridge (item 9.3.6) - Filed

5. Deputations - N/A

6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports

Mayor and Councillors reported on meetings attended and matters arising.

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

8. Consent Agenda - N/A

9. Resolutions and Direction To Staff

9.2.1 Treasurer's Annual Statement of Development Charges

Spokesperson: Stephanie Phillips, Director of Finance

Resolution 2024 -091

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor McDonald

That Council receives the Treasurer's Annual Statement of Development Charges as of December 31, 2023, attached as Schedule A.

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Carried

9.3.1 AGCO Temporary Outdoor Patio - Stockey Centre

Spokesperson: Jayme Young, Community Recreation Coordinator

Resolution 2024 - 092

Moved by Councillor McDonald

Seconded by Councillor McCann

WHEREAS the Charles W Stockey Centre is submitting a temporary sidewalk patio extension for the purpose of serving alcohol for Parry Sound's Canada Day Celebration, scheduled to occur on July 01, 2024.

AND WHEREAS the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) amended the provincial framework for temporary patios which came into effect on January 01, 2023 and requires that municipal approval be obtained for licensees prior to selling or serving liquor on a temporary patio;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Parry Sound supports the approval for a temporary patio at the Charles W. Stockey Centre located at 2 Bay Street on July 1, 2024 to permit alcohol sales.

Carried

9.3.2 Purchase of Lawnmower

Spokesperson: Vinni Bonazza, Manager of Operations

Resolution 2024 - 093

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That Council accept the quote through Canoe purchasing group from Kubota North in the amount of \$51,032.60 (including taxes) for the 60" Optimus Electric zero turn Ride on Lawnmower with rear bag, this being under the budgeted capital amount.

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Carried

9.3.3 Micro Surface Tender Extension

Spokesperson: Vinni Bonazza, Manager of Operations

Resolution 2024 - 094

Moved by Councillor Ashford

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That Council accept the quote from Duncor Enterprises Inc in the amount of \$289,077.46 (excluding taxes) to extend the Micro Surfacing project to include an additional 22,345.50 square meters of seal on Bowes Street from the bridge on Bowes Street easterly to the portion previously paved in the 3D milling/paving project, and

That this is funded through the capital paving budget with the remainder to be funded by Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund.

Carried

9.3.4 Power Angle Sweeper & Water Tank Quote

Spokesperson: Vinni Bonazza, Manager of Operations

Resolution 2024 - 095

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That Council accept the quote from Joe Johnson Equipment in the amount of \$15,600.00 (excluding taxes) for power angle sweeper attachment and water tank with the purchase being under the budgeted capital amount.

Carried

9.3.5 William Street Sidewalk Replacement Tender

Spokesperson: Vinni Bonazza, Manager of Operations

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Resolution 2024 - 096

Moved by Councillor McDonald

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That Council accept the bid from Mighty Lawn LTD for the William Street Sidewalk replacement tender in the amount of \$112,214.65. (including tax), this being the lowest compliant bid and

That this purchase be funded through the capital sidewalk budget with the remainder to be funded by Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund.

Carried

9.3.6 Waubuno St Bridge - Fitness Trail

Spokesperson: Mike Kearns - Director of Public Works

Resolution 2024 - 097

Moved by Councillor McDonald

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That Council accept the recommendation for removal of the Waubuno St fitness trail bridge and to create a safe and usable level crossing to ensure that a future infrastructure servicing corridor is available.

Acknowledging receipt of letters in opposition to removal of the bridge, members of Council discussed the value of having an opportunity for public feedback to the proposal and requested that the proposal be posted on the Town's website, including the engineered design plan, and that in addition to comments received already from the Waterfront Advisory Committee, that input be sought from the Accessibility Advisory Committee

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Motion to Postpone

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That upon the recommendation of the Parry Sound Waterfront Advisory Committee, Parry Sound Council defers Item 9.3.6 "Waubuno St Bridge - Fitness Trail" on the June 18 Council Meeting Agenda until the September 3 Council Meeting; and

That Council provide the opportunity for public consultation on the proposed project before further deliberation or decision-making takes place.

Carried to Postpone to September 3, 2024 Council Meeting

9.3.7 Granite Harbour Water Line

Spokesperson: Mike Kearns - Director of Public Works

Resolution 2024 -098

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That Council accept the report and endorse the draft letter to PS Standard Condominium Corporation #11 - Granite Harbour regarding the Town's intention to grant an easement for the existing private forcemain servicing the development and to accept ownership of the existing watermain within the Municipal Road Allowance.

Carried

9.4.1 Rideshare Regulations

Spokesperson: Allison Kreuger Municipal Law Enforcement Officer

Resolution 2024 - 099

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Ashford

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WHEREAS the Town of Parry Sound faces challenges related to limited access to transportation, and there exists a pressing need for a ridesharing service to address transportation gaps within our community; and

WHEREAS rideshare services are increasingly relied upon by seniors, students, visitors and tourists and residents looking for safe, affordable, convenient and reliable ways to travel; and

WHEREAS the standardization and consistency of regulations across municipalities, particularly in Ontario, can improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the regulatory framework; and

WHEREAS transferring the responsibility of rideshare regulations and licensing to the provincial level would contribute to a more streamlined and uniform governance structure, while eliminating associated red tape and unnecessary administrative costs; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Parry Sound hereby expresses its support for the migration of rideshare regulations and licensing from the municipal level to the provincial level; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Parry Sound formally requests the Government of Ontario to initiate the transfer of responsibilities in the interest of creating a more coherent and standardized regulatory framework for ridesharing services across the province; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this motion be distributed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Graydon Smith Member of Provincial Parliament for Parry Sound-Muskoka and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Carried

9.4.2 Downtown Quality of Experience

Spokespersons: Clayton Harris, CAO

Dave Thompson, Director of Development and Protective Services

Allison Kreuger, By-law Enforcement Officer

Resolution 2024 - 100

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That Council support the development of a Downtown Quality of Experience Team to address downtown issues; and

That the Team include stakeholders such as but not limited to: the DBA, OPP, DSSAB, CMHA, and other site specific interest groups, with representatives being senior members of the respective organizations; and

That the Team be chaired by _____ with a goal of defining issues, developing action steps and assigning responsibility to implement solutions; and

That staff, develop a Terms of Reference for Council review.

The following amendments were proposed:

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor McCann

That Councillor McDonald be appointed as Chair and Councillor McCann appointed as Vice Chair of the Committee

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Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That the final clause be amended to read: That staff in consultation with other representative groups, develop a Terms of Reference for Council review.

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Carried

The amended resolution was voted on.

Carried as amended.

10. By-laws

10.4.1 Deeming By-law - 21 and 23 Baycrest Street

Spokesperson: Jeremy Rand, Manager of Planning, Development & Protective Services

By-law 2024 - 7431

Being a By-law to Deem Certain Lots in the Town of Parry Sound not to be a Part on a Registered Plan of Subdivision (Sommerfield, 21 & 23 Baycrest)

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

10.5.1 Confirming By-law

By-law 2024 - 7432

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 8:35 PM

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Mayor Jamie McGarvey

Clerk Rebecca Johnson