

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes January 21, 2025

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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 Public Works Mike Kearns, Director of Finance Stephanie Phillips, Director of Development & Protective Services Dave Thompson, Manager of Planning Jeremy Rand, Manager of Operations Vinni Bonazza

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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 2025 - 001

Moved by Councillor McDonald Seconded by Councillor McCann

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, (**staff member performance review and compensation**)

Carried

1. Agenda and Minutes Review, Pecuniary Interest

1.1 Land Acknowledgement

1.2 Presentations/Announcements - N/A

1.3 Additions to Agenda

1.3.1 Item 10.4.1 regarding renaming of a section of Parry Sound Drive as Connor Drive was added to the Agenda.

1.4 Prioritization of Agenda - N/A

1.5 Adoption of Agenda

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Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That the Council agenda for January 21, 2025 be approved as circulated.

Carried

1.6 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

1.6.1 Councillor Ashford declared a pecuniary interest on item 10.3.3, left the room for duration of discussion on the item and did not vote on the matter.

1.7 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Beleskey

Seconded by Councillor McDonald

That the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held December 17, 2024 be approved as circulated.

Carried

2. Public Meeting

2.1 Z/24-04 W.J.R Hart Holdings Ltd.

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That we do now adjourn the regular meeting and declare the public meeting open.

Carried

Council held a public meeting to consider a proposed Zoning By-law amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act.

Manager of Planning Jeremy Rand advised that the purpose of the proposed Temporary Zoning By-law amendment application is to permit a trailer at 113 Bowes Street for a period of up to two years. The Trailer is proposed to be utilized while the Tim Horton's Restaurant on the subject lands is undergoing renovations. During the renovations, the Trailer would allow for drive thru services with a limited menu.

Specifically, if approved, the application would permit the following:

- A Temporary Trailer for a period or up to two years
- A Temporary Trailer shall only be permitted as part of a drive-thru operation and shall not include any dining or public access; and
- A Temporary Trailer shall not be permitted where a restaurant is in operation on the subject lands.

No one spoke either in favour of or in opposition to the proposed zoning By-law Amendment.

Mr. Rand noted that comments received by the Fire Chief, Chief Building Official, Lakeland Power and MTO all indicate no concerns, and no other comments were received.

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That we do declare the public meeting closed and the regular meeting reconvened.

Carried

3. Questions of Staff

3.1 In response to Councillor McDonald's inquiry as to when the ice will go in at the Kinsmen Rink following damages to it, Director of Public Works Mike Kearns reported that boards were repaired just last week, and staff began the process this morning of making ice.

3.2 In response to Councillor McCann's inquiry regarding whether homelessness is being addressed by the Downtown Quality of Experience Committee, Director of Development & Protective Services Dave Thompson reported that there is a structured approach with staff who perform outreach services, and work with the homelessness issue on both short- and long-term strategies.

3.3 In response to Councillor Keith's inquiry regarding whether data is being collected at the intersection of Bowes and Oastler Park Dr. Mr. Kearns reported that speed data and vehicular accidents statistics are being collected at that intersection. Mr. Kearns noted there is a concern on signal timing related to potential queueing of cars where the Hwy 400 off ramp meets McDougall Road, and that while there is a dedicated left turn advance heading east out of Town on Bowes Street, there is no left turn advance in the opposite direction and to establish such a dedicated left turn lane, would cause a queueing of traffic. Mr. Kearns noted that staff are looking at different design alternatives and met last year with the road safety auditor to advance further conversations about design options.

3.4 In response to Councillor Keith's inquiry about whether data is collected regarding vehicles that hit the CN Bridge, Mr. Kearns reported that both CN and the Town has that information in logs, and it could be compiled for a report to a future Council meeting.

3.5 In response to Councillor Borneman's inquiry on the status of the proposed sidewalk at St. Charles crossing, Mr. Kearns reported that tender documents will be ready in the next couple of weeks.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Township of La Vallee, Township of North Algona Wilberforce - Support of Parry Sound's Resolution requesting the province implement a rural road safety program initiated by Good Roads - filed

4.2 Township of McKellar - Support for Parry Sound's resolutions regarding importance of Parry Sound Post Office - filed

4.3 Minister of Northern Development response to Town's inquiry on restoring District of Muskoka to Northern Ontario Heritage Fund catchment area - filed

Chief Thompson confirmed that he would request a representative from Lakeland Power to present to Council on Lakeland response times to power outages and new initiatives to increase the ability for remote disconnects to improve their timeliness.

5. Deputations - N/A

6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports

Members of Council 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 Purchase of Snow Blade (plow) for Public Work's Loader

Spokesperson: Vinni Bonazza, Manager of Operations, Public Works

Resolution 2025 - 002

Moved by Councillor McDonald

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That Council accepts the quote from Toromont in the amount of \$21,500.00, excluding taxes for a Snow Blade for the Public's Works department current Loader machine.

Carried

9.2.2 Automated Speed Enforcement Program - LAS

Spokesperson: Mike Kearns, Director of Public Works

Resolution 2025 - 003

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

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That Council directs staff to work with Local Authority Service to establish an Automated Speed Enforcement program in the Town of Parry Sound.

Carried

9.3.1 Disposal of Surplus 2012 Fire Department Pickup

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Development and Protective Svs/Fire Chief

Resolution 2025 - 004

Moved by Councillor Ashford

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That Council approve the disposal of the 2012 GMC Fire Pickup to Bimaajitooon Search and Rescue Team in as is condition for one dollar.

Carried

9.4.1 Auditor General's Report on Minister's Zoning Orders

Spokesperson: Clayton Harris, CAO, Administration

Resolution 2025 - 005

Moved by Councillor Ashford

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That the Staff Report regarding the Auditor General's Report on Minister's Zoning Orders (MZO) be received for information purposes.

Carried

Direction for follow-up

Moved by Councillor Ashford

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That Staff be directed to send a letter to Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing clarifying the position of the Town with respect to Seguin's MZO lands.

Carried

9.4.2 Update - Key Performance Objectives in Support of the Strategic Plan

Spokesperson: Clayton Harris, CAO; Senior Leadership Team

Resolution 2025 - 006

Moved by Councillor Beleskey Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That Council approve the 2024 fourth Quarter progress report on the Town's Key Performance Objectives (KPOs) as set out in Schedule A.

Carried

9.5.1 Support for 3-Year Extension to CUAET visa

Spokesperson: Mayor McGarvey

Resolution 2025 - 007

Moved by Councillor Beleskey Seconded by Councillor Ashford

That the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound hereby supports the Ukrainian Canadian Congress call upon the Government of Canada to implement an automatic 3-year extension of the visa, associated work permits and benefits for all Canada Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel (CUAET) visa holders in Canada.

Carried

10. By-laws

10.1.1 Temporary Borrowing Authorization

Spokesperson: Stephanie Phillips, Director of Finance/Treasurer

By-law 2025 - 7464

Being a by-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet the current expenditures of the

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Town of Parry Sound until taxes are collected and other revenues are received.

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

10.1.2 Northern Ontario Development Program - Waterfront Master Plan Contribution Agreement with FedNor

Spokespersons: Clayton Harris, CAO; Stephanie Phillips, Director of Finance/Treasurer

By-law 2025 - 7465

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of a contribution agreement under the Northern Ontario Development Program Community Economic Development Stream with The Minister of Indigenous Services, referred to as Minister of Indigenous Services and Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario for the Waterfront Master Plan.

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

10.1.3 Belvedere Line of Credit Loan Guarantee to Purchase Life Lease Units

Spokesperson: Stephanie Phillips, Director of Finance / Treasurer

By-law. 2025 - 7466

Being a By-law to authorize a loan guarantee for the Belvedere Heights Home for the Aged Board of Management.

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

10.2.1 South Seguin Snowmobile Club Agreement for Continued Use of Town properties

Spokesperson: Mike Kearns, Director of Public Works

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By-law 2025 - 7467

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with The South Seguin Snowmobile Club for the prescribed use of various property parcels as a snowmobile trail.

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

10.3.1 Fire Services Grant - Fire Hall Ready Room

Spokesperson: Dave Thompson, Director of Development and Protective Svs/Fire Chief

By-law 2025 - 7468

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Transfer Payment Agreement with His Majesty the King in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of the Solicitor General for a Fire Hall Ready Room Project.

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

10.3.2 Stop up and Close Road Allowances for part of Parry Sound Drive and part of College Drive

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

By-law 2025 - 7469

Being a By-law to stop up and close an original road allowance part of Parry Sound Drive being Part 1 of Registered Plan 42R-21064 and a part of an original road allowance, College Drive being Part 4, of Registered Plan 42R-19097.

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

10.3.3 Stop up and Close unopened Road Allowance between

Lots 25 and 26 Concession 2 in the Town of Parry Sound

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

By-law 2025 - 7470

Being a By-law to stop up and close an original road allowance being the Road Allowance between Lots 25 and 26, Concession 2 in the Town of Parry Sound being Part 1, Registered Plan 42R-22682.

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

10.3.4 Stop up and Close Road Allowances for part of Hamilton Street, part of Francis Street, part of Foley Street and part of Mary Street in the Town of Parry Sound

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

By-law 2025 - 7471

Being a By-law to close and stop up those parts of the original concession road allowances being Part of Hamilton Street on Registered Plan 63, and further being Part of Francis Street on Registered Plan 63, and further being Part of Foley Street on Registered Plan 63, and further being Part of Mary Street on Registered Plan 63, in the Geographic Township of Parry Sound, in the District of Parry Sound, being designated as Parts 1, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 on Plan 42R-22622.

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

10.3.5 Zoning By-law Amendment - Z/24/04 - 113 Bowes Street

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

By-law 2025 - 7472

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Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 2004-4653 (The Zoning By-law), as amended, for 113 Bowes Street and legally described as Part of Lot 26, Concession1 in the Town of Parry Sound, being Part 2, Plan 42R-15762.

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

10.4.1 Renaming a Section of Parry Sound Drive as Connor Drive

Spokesperson: Clayton Harris, CAO, Administration

By-law 2025 - 7474

Being a By-law to authorize the execution of an agreement with Connor Industries for the renaming of a section of Parry Sound Drive to Connor Drive.

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

10.5.1 Confirming By-law

By-law 2025 - 7473

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 8:50 PM

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Mayor Jamie McGarvey

Clerk Rebecca Johnson