

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE

COUNCIL MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Belleville was held on the above date in the City Hall Council Chamber at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

It is noted that there was a City Council In Camera (closed session) Meeting at 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. In view of this, City Council met very briefly in open session at 3:00 p.m. to consider approval of the following resolution.

Moved by Councillor Boyce
Seconded by Councillor Denyes

THAT City Council enter into In Camera session to consider the following items, pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act.

- In Camera Report No. DCS-2017-37 regarding potential acquisition or disposition of land (Pursuant to Section 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act)
- Review of the Regular In Camera Minutes of September 11, 2017.

- CARRIED -

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT His Worship Mayor Christopher

Councillor Boyce	Councillor McCaw
Councillor Carr	Councillor Miller
Councillor Denyes	Councillor Panciuk
Councillor Graham	Councillor Thompson

(Matt MacDonald, City Clerk)

ABSENT Councillor Graham

2. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

2.1 City Clerk Matt MacDonald opened this session of Council with a Moment of Reflection

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Councillor Miller declared an interest in Reports Item 8.a.2 (Vacant Unit Rebate Program Update #3) as his spouse is an employee of Pan Properties. He will therefore be refraining from discussion and voting on this matter in view of the possibility that a Pecuniary Interest may be involved.

His Worship Mayor Christopher declared an interest in Reports Item 8.a.2 (Vacant Unit Rebate Program Update #3) as he is a commercial property owner. He will therefore be refraining from discussion and voting on this matter in view of the possibility that a Pecuniary Interest may be involved.

Councillor Miller later declared an interest under New Business in discussions regarding the Yardmen Arena as his employer has a close business relationship with Belleville Senators. He therefore refrained from discussion and voting on this matter in view of the possibility that a Pecuniary Interest may be involved.

4. PUBLIC MEETINGS

None

5. READING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Boyce
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 30 and 31, 2017, Regular Council Meeting of September 11, 2017 and Regular In Camera Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2017 be approved.

- CARRIED -

6. DEPUTATIONS

- 6.1 Mayor Christopher and Fire Chief Mark MacDonald administered the Firefighter Oath to Jordan Haggerty, Probation Firefighter
- 6.2 The deputation of Patrick Maloney of Share the Road Cycling Coalition was re-scheduled to the October 10, 2017 Regular Council Meeting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items brought forward under this section on today's Agenda.

8. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**MOTION TO GO INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO HEAR AND CONSIDER REPORTS, PASSING OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Denyes
Seconded by Councillor Boyce

THAT Council rise and go into Committee of the Whole to hear and consider reports, passing of recommendations and resolutions with Councillor Miller in the Chair.

- CARRIED -

8. a. REPORTS**8.a.1 2018 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET PROCESS AND TIMETABLE**

Moved by Councillor Denyes
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

REC. NO. 472/17 THAT pursuant to the Director of Finance/Treasurer's Report No. DF-2017-33, Council approve the amended process and timelines for the 2018 Operating Budget.

- CARRIED -

His Worship Mayor Christopher and Councillor Miller left the Council Chamber due to previously declared disclosures of pecuniary interest. Councillor Panciuk assumed the Chair.

8.a.2 **VACANT UNIT REBATE PROGRAM UPDATE #3**

Moved by Councillor Carr
Seconded by Councillor McCaw

REC. NO. 473/17 THAT pursuant to the Director of Finance/Treasurer’s Report No. DF-2017-34, the Vacant Unit Rebate Program be amended at Option E.

Members of Council spoke on this resolution and a Recorded Vote was requested.

YEAS: Councillor Boyce
Councillor Carr
Councillor Denyes
Councillor McCaw
Councillor Thompson
NAYS: Councillor Panciuk

YEAS: In total number of (5) five
NAYS: In total number of (1) one

The resolution was - CARRIED -

His Worship Mayor Christopher and Councillor Miller returned to the Council Chamber. Councillor Miller re-assumed the Chair.

8.a.3 **FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – REQUEST FOR FURTHER 2017 FUNDING**

Moved by Councillor Panciuk
Seconded by Councillor Boyce

474/17 THAT pursuant to the Special Projects Planner’s Report No. PP-2017-48 the 2017 Façade Improvement Program operating budget be amended with a further increase of \$25,000, bringing the total including recent adjustments to \$85,000.00.

- CARRIED -

8.a.4 **BELLEVILLE POLICE SERVICES AREA RATING UPDATE #1**

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by His Worship Mayor Christopher

REC. NO. 475/17 THAT Council authorizes staff to undertake information sessions with taxpayers concerning Police Services area rating, and staff report back to Council.

- CARRIED -

8. b. **CONSENT ITEMS**

Moved by Councillor Denyes
Seconded by Councillor Carr

476/17 THAT the following Agenda items be approved with the exception of Items 8.b.1, 8.b.2, 8.b.5 and 8.b.10.

- CARRIED -

8.b.1 **BILL 68 – MODERNIZING ONTARIO'S MUNICIPAL LEGISLATION ACT, 2017**

Moved by Councillor Carr
Seconded by Councillor Denyes

477/17 THAT the Acting Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk's Report No. DCS-2017-36, Bill 68 – Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017, be received.

- CARRIED -

8.b.2 **FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PROPOSED GRANT ALLOCATION FOR 242 FRONT STREET, BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO**

Moved by His Worship Mayor Christopher
Seconded by Councillor Boyce

REC. NO. 478/17 THAT the Grant allocation for 242 Front Street recommended by the Façade Improvement Committee as set out in Special Projects Planner's Report No. PP-2017-45, Façade Improvement Program – Proposed Grant Allocation for 242 Front Street, Belleville, Ontario be approved, subject to the requirements of the Façade Improvement Committee: and

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Commitment Agreement with the Grant recipient on behalf of The Corporation of the City of Belleville and that the City Clerk be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal.

- CARRIED -

8.b.3 **FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PROPOSED GRANT ALLOCATION FOR 320-324 FRONT STREET, BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO**

479/17 THAT the Grant allocation for 320-324 Front Street recommended by the Façade Improvement Committee as set out in Special Projects Planner's Report No. PP-2017-46, Façade Improvement Program – Proposed Grant Allocation for 320-324 Front Street, Belleville, Ontario be approved, subject to the requirements of the Façade Improvement Committee: and

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Commitment Agreement with the Grant recipient on behalf of The Corporation of the City of Belleville and that the City Clerk be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal.

- CARRIED -

8.b.4 **FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PROPOSED GRANT ALLOCATION FOR 279-281 FRONT STREET, BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO**

REC. NO. 480/17 THAT the Grant allocation for 279-281 Front Street recommended by the Façade Improvement Committee as set out in Special Projects Planner's Report No. PP-2017-47, Façade Improvement Program – Proposed Grant Allocation for 279-281 Front Street, Belleville, Ontario be approved, subject to the requirements of the Façade Improvement Committee: and

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Commitment Agreement with the Grant recipient on behalf of The Corporation of the City of Belleville and that the City Clerk be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal.

- CARRIED -

8.b.5 **FOXBORO BRIDGE GROSS WEIGHT LIMIT RESTRICTIONS**

Moved by Councillor Denyes
Seconded by Councillor Carr

481/17 THAT, a by-law to approve and authorize the implementation of gross vehicle weight limits for vehicles or any class thereof passing over the Foxboro Bridge on Ashley Street, pursuant to Section 123(2) of the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, be prepared for Council's consideration.

- CARRIED -

8.b.6 **MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT 2016-17 DRINKING WATER SYSTEM INSPECTION REPORT FOR THE POINT ANNE HAMLET DRINKING WATER SYSTEM**

482/17 THAT the Manager of Environmental Services' Report No. MES-2017-04 regarding the Ministry of Environment 2016-17 Drinking Water System Inspection Report for the Point Anne Hamlet Drinking Water System be received as information.

- CARRIED

8.b.7 **CONTRACT NO. ES-17-01 RE REPLACEMENT OF GRANULAR ACTIVATED CARBON AT THE GERRY O'CONNOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

REC. NO 483/17 THAT the tender submission from Continental Carbon Group Inc. for Contract No. ES-17-01 for the replacement of Granular Activated Carbon at the Gerry O'Connor Water Treatment Plant be accepted in the amount of \$156,694.00, plus \$20,370.22 HST, for a total amount of \$177,064.22, this being the lowest cost tender received, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Acceptance Agreement on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Belleville and that the City Clerk be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal.

- CARRIED -

8.b.8 **INVESTMENT POLICY – QUARTERLY REPORT**

484/17 THAT the Tangible Capital Asset Accounting Coordinator's Report No. TAC-2017-03, (Investment Policy – Quarterly Report), be received.

- CARRIED -

8.b.9 **CHRISTMAS LIGHTING DISPLAY COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE TO "LIGHTING DISPLAY COMMITTEE"**

485/17 THAT pursuant to the Manager of Economic and Strategic Initiatives Report ECDEV 2017-07, the Terms of Reference for the Christmas Lighting Display Committee be revised to change the name of the Committee to "Lighting Display Committee", and the terms be updated to reflect the nature of the committee's work.

- CARRIED -

8.b.10 **HILLCREST PUBLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Panciuk

REC. NO. 486/17 That pursuant to the Manager of Parks & Open Spaces Report No. MP&OS-2017-03 that a by-law to approve and authorize an agreement with Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board regarding the former Hillcrest Public School Grounds be prepared for Council's consideration.

- CARRIED -

8. c. COUNCIL INFORMATION MATTERS

Moved by Councillor Denyes
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

487/17 THAT the following Agenda items be received.

8.c.1 **BUILDING SECTION MONTH END REPORT**

Report Period: August 2017

8.c.2 **REQUEST SUPPORT OF THE FOLLOWING LETTERS/RESOLUTIONS**

a) **Request Support for Opposing the For-profit Privatization of Airports and Calling on the Federal Government to Focus on Modernizing the Current System**
Resolution from the National Airlines Council of Canada

- CARRIED -

8. d. RISE AND REPORT

Moved by Councillor Boyce
Seconded by Councillor McCaw

THAT Council rise and report.

- CARRIED -

9. BY-LAWS

9. a. FIRST READING OF BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Miller
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

REC. NO. 488/17 THAT the following by-laws be read a first time:

2017-175, a by-law to authorize the purchase of certain lands by the City of Belleville (Brennan - Ritz Road)

2017-176, a by-law to prohibit smoking near doorways, entrances, platforms and exits of municipal buildings in The Corporation of the City of Belleville

2017-177, a by-law to limit the gross vehicle weight of vehicles passing over the Foxboro Bridge on Ashley Street crossing over Palliser Creek

- CARRIED -

9. b. SECOND READING OF BY-LAWS AND DISCUSSION

Moved by Councillor Boyce
Seconded by Councillor Denyes

489/17 THAT the following by-laws be read a second time:

2017-175
2017-176
2017-177

- CARRIED -

9. c. THIRD READING OF BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor McCaw
Seconded by Councillor Panciuk

REC. NO. 490/17 THAT the following by-laws be read a third time:

2017-175, a by-law to authorize the purchase of certain lands by the City of Belleville (Brennan - Ritz Road)

2017-176, a by-law to prohibit smoking near doorways, entrances, platforms and exits of municipal buildings in The Corporation of the City of Belleville

2017-177, a by-law to limit the gross vehicle weight of vehicles passing over the Foxboro Bridge on Ashley Street crossing over Palliser Creek

- CARRIED -

10. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Carr questioned the lack of available updates for the Mayor's Implementation Team and Build Belleville. He noted the last meeting for the Mayor's Implementation Team was on May 24th and that no minutes have been posted on the City's website. He also stated the last Build Belleville update was received at the June 12 Council Meeting and the last update for the new police facility was in May. Councillor Carr was also disappointed that on July 27, local media received a comprehensive report on the new police facility and an update appeared in local news. Director of Engineering and Development Services, Rod Bovay, advised the Mayor's Implementation Team did not schedule any meetings over the summer and that an update can be available for Council at the next Council meeting.

Councillor Miller left the Council Chamber prior to the next discussion. Councillor Carr requested an overview on the Yardmen Arena expansion project and information on lease hold improvements. The Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services, Mark Fluhrer, advised that updates on the project have been provided throughout the course of the construction. A Media Release was issued today detailing percentage of completion on individual work for the Yardmen Arena Expansion & Renovation Project. The project is at the point of finishing touches and he

is confident the City of Belleville portion will be complete on time for the November 1st home opener. The City of Belleville has met its obligations under the lease regarding leasehold improvements “on time and on budget”. In the September 25 Media Release, information was also provided about the lease hold improvements.

Councillor Panciuk also spoke about the Yardmen Arena renovations and requested the City Clerk have the Media Release posted on the City’s website. He had a question regarding the Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services’ update – he wondered if the information regarding percentages included lease hold improvements. Director Fluhrer responded the City of Belleville has met all of its obligations.

Councillor Panciuk then spoke about his ride along experience with the Belleville Police Service and thanked all staff (nurses at Belleville General Hospital, social workers), Police Chief Gignac, Deputy Police Chief Callahan as well as Constable Fyke (the officer he rode with) and commented on the mental health issues police deal with on a daily basis and their response. Councillor Panciuk also spoke about two issues involving Hastings County. The first was lack of lighting in the vicinity of social housing properties and needs to be improved. He requested Hastings County do a security audit on the properties within the City of Belleville and report back to Council. He also spoke about incidents at Hastings Manor where police are being called in to deal with issues with the residents. He requested Hastings County investigate whether staff can deal with such issues rather than Belleville Police Service and again requested a report to Council. Councillor Thompson responded as Chair of Hasting Quinte Social Services Committee. He advised that the Committee is aware of the lighting concerns but that he will take both matters back to the Committee for a report back,

11. MOTIONS

There were no items brought forward under this section on today’s Agenda.

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Moved by Councillor Carr

WHEREAS a Lobbyist Registry is a tool that provides accountability and transparency to lobbying activities by giving the public access to information about who is communicating with public office holders;

AND WHEREAS section 223.9 of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes the City of Belleville to establish and maintain a Lobbyist Registry in which shall be kept registrations and returns filed by persons who lobby the City of Belleville public office holders;

AND WHEREAS section 223.11 of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes the City of Belleville to appoint a Lobbyist Registrar who is responsible for performing in an independent manner the functions assigned by the City of Belleville with respect to the Lobbyist Registry;

AND WHEREAS section 8, 9 and 10 of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes the City of Belleville to pass by-laws necessary or desirable for municipal purposes, and in particular paragraph 2 of subsection 10(2) authorizes by-laws respecting the accountability and transparency of the municipality and its operations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Belleville is committed to good governance and to continually act in the best interest of all residents, abiding by our Mission Statement and Core Values,

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Belleville supports the establishment and maintenance of a Lobbyist Registry to provide transparency about persons who lobby the City of Belleville; and,

The Council of the City of Belleville directs staff to draft a report for Council's consideration no later than the second regular Council meeting in November 2017 that clearly explores a range of options for the regulation of lobbying activities with the goal of selecting the model best suited for the City of Belleville; and,

That each option identify the timeframe to successfully implement the Lobbyist Registry and the resources required.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Worship Mayor Christopher displayed the 2017 Plowing Match Trophy and announced that he was the 2017 Champion.

Mayor Christopher reported attending the following events since the last Council Meeting:

- Veridian Rescue Day at Clarington office (Health & Safety)
- Grand Opening of Quinte West Consolidated Operations Centre
- Quinte Arts Council, Opening Reception of Fall Show
- Habitat Home Dedication, 125 Donald Street
- Belleville Sports Hall of Fame 2017 Induction & Dedication of the Dr. R. L. Vaughan Atrium, Quinte Sports Centre
- Belleville General Hospital Foundation Gala
- 37th Annual Terry Fox Run
- Royal Canadian Air Force Association Battle of Britain Remembrance Service
- Roundtable Discussion - Truck Safety along 400 Series Highways, Discovery Centre Kingston
- Forum on local news- Loyalist College
- Chamber Breakfast with Loyalist President & CEO Dr. Ann Marie Vaughan
- "She Thrives", Grand Opening
- Zone 2 Meeting at Renfrew OPP Detachment
- Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment Parkette Dedication Ceremony (special thanks to staff including Rod Bovay, Ray Ford and Stan Czyczyro)
- Lung Association Pull for Kids
- Meet & Greet with Jay Wilson of the Beerstore
- Sofina Foods BBQ

Councillor Carr discussed the situation of poor internet service for Ward 2 residents. He recently travelled to Ottawa and had a chance to speak with MP Mike Bossio and learned about the “Connect to Innovate Program” and funding applications available to municipalities. The C.R.T.C. has declared broad band internet a basic service. The C.R.T.C. is setting up a fund to invest in internet service. Councillor Carr suggested the City of Belleville should be looking at opportunities to partner with the provincial and federal governments on infrastructure.

Councillor Thompson also congratulated staff on the Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment Parkette Dedication. Also, he noted he was on a tour in Prince Edward County this past weekend and happened to be wearing a Belleville Senators shirt and commented on the number of people who expressed their excitement over the new team coming to Belleville.

14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor Miller
Seconded by Councillor Boyce

REC. NO. 491/17 THAT By-law Number 2017-178, a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on September 25, 2017, be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 25th day of September, 2017.

- CARRIED -

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Miller
Seconded by Councillor Denyes

THAT this session of Council be adjourned.

- CARRIED -

MAYOR

CLERK