

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Council Meeting Minutes October 2, 2018

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Please Note: The Public Meeting called by Council for October 2, 2018 was cancelled last week. *The Public Meeting was called to provide information to the public regarding both sides of the Fluoride Question on the Ballot. Only one Third Party Advertiser (TPA) was able to attend. Both TPS's are required to attend to comply with the Municipal Elections Act.*

Minutes

Date:

October 2, 2018

Time:

7:00 p.m. (Closed 6:30 p.m.)

Location:

52 Seguin Street, Parry Sound, Council Chambers - Gibson Street Entrance

Members Present:

Mayor Jamie McGarvey, Clr. Paul Borneman, Clr. Brad Horne, Clr. Bonnie Keith, Clr. Jim Marshall, Clr. Doug McCann

Absent:

Clr. Keith Saulnier

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Staff Present:

Rob Mens, Jackie Boggs, Peter Brown, Kim Chen, Dave Thompson, April McNamara, Rob Beaumont.

Presentations:

None

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Prior to the Open Meeting of Council, Council adjourned to a Closed Meeting pursuant to the following resolution:

Resolution 2017 - 118

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Horne

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:

d) labour relations or employee negotiations. **(Personnel Update)**

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to Agenda/Notice of Motion

1.2 Prioritization of Agenda

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Marshall

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That the Council Agenda for October 2, 2018 be approved as circulated.

Carried

1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None disclosed.

2. Public Meeting

Cancelled.

3. Minutes and Matters Arising from Minutes

3.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Horne

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

That the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held September 18, 2018 be approved as circulated.

Carried

3.2 Questions of Staff

Councillor Borneman asked Chief Thompson about the Community Paramedicine Program presentation he made at the Parry Sound District Municipal Association meeting last month. Chief Thompson explained how this proactive program works to assist people who have fallen through the cracks in health care. It is funded 100% by the province and has become a very important part of Parry Sound District's health

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care. Councillor Borneman noted that this program receives very solid support from across the whole District.

Councillor Borneman asked Mr. Brown what our water and wastewater capacity is regarding growth for the Town considering all the zoning by-law amendments for development that Council has seen recently. Councillor Borneman also asked if there was any opportunity to increase that capacity with the fog testing that Public Works has been conducting. Mr. Brown replied that he recently asked our engineer to review the capacity numbers and we hope to receive a response this week or next. As for the fog testing we have been conducting all around town, we have tested approximately 75% of the Town. We have found that there are 15 storm sewer catch basins directly connected to our sanitary sewer so that is road drainage going directly into our sanitary sewer. We discovered 9 commercial buildings in the downtown area, all with flat roofs, that are connected directly to our sanitary sewer. We did a quick calculation to-day that just from those 9 commercial buildings with flat roofs, in the last storm event, 132,000 litres of water from those roofs went directly into our waste water system. These issues will be actively pursued in 2019 but these are the types of situations that need to be prevented from draining into the Town's waste water system. This will allow us to increase our capacity at the waste water treatment plant. Putting in water metres is another way to reduce flow into the water system. People who have them are simply using less water. This process takes time and a lot of energy. Council will receive a report in early 2019 to show how the Town can take that path to rerouting storm water from our waste water sewers.

Our fog testing was very successful and during the fog testing we had people coming out of their houses complaining that fog was coming into their houses from a pipe in the basement or out of their kitchen drains. These people are now aware that these should be capped. They have to be capped as home owners are getting sewer gas coming into their homes on a regular basis.

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Councillor Horne asked Mr. Brown to explain what is happening at Wood St. and Marion Avenue? Mr. Brown replied that we have an aging storm sewer system. We have an aging infrastructure. Part of the storm sewer at Wood and Marion was repaired a few years ago because the road was failing. It starting to sink due to all the heavy salt trucks as well as regular vehicle traffic. This year we discovered another problem with this sewer system and called in a contractor on an emergency dig to finish up the work that they were able to connect to a few years ago. We hope that this will resolve the problem. Councillor Horne asked if the repair will hold the salt trucks. Mr. Brown replied that they should and we hope to have the repair completed this week.

Councillor Keith asked Mr. Brown to update Council about the status of the process of the cessation of train whistles. Mr. Brown replied that Forrest Pengra has been working on this and we hope to have a report to Council by October 16/18. There is a path that we have to take and there are other government bodies and agencies that we have to deal with. It's a slow process but we hope to see some results.

Councillor Keith asked Mr. Mens about the protection of our IT system in light of some of the cyber attacks on some surrounding municipalities. Mr. Mens replied that our IT staff is fully aware of this and have been meeting regularly. We do know this can't be fully stopped. As good as our firewalls are this can't be stopped. We are vulnerable but so is everyone. A report will be coming to Council within the next month with recommendations on this very subject.

Mayor McGarvey noted that Ms. Boggs had been receiving a number of complaints surrounding the election sign by-law and he asked Ms. Boggs to comment. Ms. Boggs replied that yes she had been receiving complaints from people who are reporting that signs are in front of properties where they know the owner has not provided permission for the sign to be there. If a property owner wants to lodge a complaint they should contact the By-law Department. As you know, our by-law department is complaint driven. During the last election the erection of elections sign fell under the Town's sign by-law for all signage in Town. This election I drafted up a more detailed elections sign

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by-law in March and brought it to Council for their review and to post notice so people could comment on it. Council had a few changes and it was passed in May of this year after the notice period. Some amendments were made in June and the final version which all candidates received when they filed their nomination papers, was passed June 19th. At that time there had been only 3 candidates and 1 third party advertiser who had filed nomination papers. All new candidates were provided with the current elections signs by-law and those who had already filed or registered were provided with the current by-law. So, to reiterate those folks who have a complaint about the election signage should contact the By-law Department at 746- 2413.

4. Correspondence

4.1 AMO Watchfile - September 6, September 13 and September 20, 2018

Re: Municipal Industry News

(Circulated to Mayor and Council and forwarded to the Clerk for filing)

5. Deputations

5.1 Vanessa Backman

Re: Parry Sound Tourism's 2018 update

Ms. Backman provided a background on her private company and provided their marketing aims to promote tourism in the area and an update on her Parry Sound tourism activities over the past year.

5.2 James Murphy, Executive Director, Explorers' Edge

Re: Update on Regional Tourism

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Mr. Murphy highlighted the number of tourism destinations that have developed over the past 2 years or so. Mr. Murphy updated Council on the latest activities with Explorer's Edge.

6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports

Mayor and Councillors gave their reports on meetings attended and matters arising.

7. Ratification of Matters from Closed Agenda

None.

8. Consent Agenda

8.1 Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day

Resolution 2018 - 119

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Doug McCann

Whereas years of research confirm the benefits of high quality child care for young children's intellectual, emotional, social and physical development and later life outcomes; and

Whereas child care promotes the well-being of children and responds to the needs of parents, families and the broader community by supporting quality of life so that citizens can fully participate in and contribute to the economic and social life of their community; and

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Whereas many studies show that trained and knowledgeable Early Childhood Educators and child care staff are the key to quality child care, and that good wages and working conditions are associated with higher job satisfaction and morale, lower staff turnover which leads to high quality education and care;

Therefore, Be It Resolved that Mayor and Council declare October 16, 2018 "Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day" in recognition of the education, dedication and commitment of child care workers to children, their families and quality of life of the community.

Carried

8.2 Local Government Week - October 14-20, 2018

Resolution 2018 - 120

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Horne

Whereas Local Government Week aims to increase youth and public awareness about the important role local government plays in our communities;

Therefore, Be It Resolved that Mayor and Council declare the week of October 14 to 20, 2018 Local Government Week in the Town of Parry Sound.

Carried

9. Resolutions and Direction to Staff

9.1 Development and Protective Services

9.2 CAO's Office / Administration

9.3 Finance & POA Court Services

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9.3.1 2017 Reserve and Reserve Fund Annual Report

Spokesperson: Kim Chen, Director of Finance

Resolution 2018 - 121

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Borneman

1. That Council receives the 2017 Reserve and Reserve Fund Annual Report, attached as Schedule "A", in compliance with the Town's Reserve and Reserve Fund Policy.
2. That Council approves the closure of the PS Power Promissory Note Reserve and the Fire Training Reserve Fund.

Carried

9.4 Public Works

9.4.1 Storm Water - Meadow Street

Spokesperson: Peter Brown, Director of Public Works

Resolution 2018 - 122

Moved by Councillor Horne

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That the Director of Public Works be authorized to reallocate the 2018 Capital Budget, Lining of Parry Sound Drive culverts (\$150,000, Provincial Grant) to repairs to the existing storm sewer system on Meadow Street.

Carried

9.5 Other Business

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10. By-laws

10.1 Development and Protective Services

10.2 Public Works

10.3 CAO's Office/Administration

10.3.1 4-Sports Bobby Orr Community Centre Pro Shop Lease

Spokesperson: April McNamara, Manager of Parks and Recreation

By-law 2018 - 6867

That Council authorize the renewal of an agreement with 4 Sports Inc., for the purpose of Pro-Shop operation at the Bobby Orr Community Centre for a three (3) year period.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed Signed and Sealed, this 2nd day of October, 2018

10.4 Finance/POA Court Services

10.5 Other Business

10.6.1 Confirming By-law

By-law 2018 - 6868

Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council for the Regular Council meeting held September 18, 2018.

Read a First, Second and Third time, Passed Signed and Sealed, this 2nd day of October, 2018

11. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm.

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Mayor Jamie McGarvey

Jackie Johnston Boggs, Clerk

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