

The Corporation of The Town of Parry Sound

Special Council Meeting Minutes February 27, 2020

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Minutes

Date:

February 27, 2020

Time:

7:00 P.M.

Location:

52 Seguin Street, Council Chambers, Gibson Street Entrance

Members Present:

Mayor McGarvey, Councillor Backman, Councillor Borneman, Councillor Burden, Councillor Keith, Councillor McCann

Absent: Councillor Horne

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 Accounting Christine Gilbert, Manager of Wastewater Services Jamie O'Donnell, Manager of Water Services Kyle Hall, Bobby Orr Hall of Fame Curator Caitlin Dyer, Stockey Centre Marketing Coordinator Kelsey Norris, Human Resources Coordinator Alicia Lesperance, Manager of Parks & Recreation April McNamara, Manager of Infrastructure and Technology Forrest Pengra

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Presentations: N/A

1.1 Additions to Agenda/Notice of Motion - N/A

1.2 Prioritization of Agenda - N/A

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Keith

Seconded by Councillor Backman

That the Council agenda for February 27, 2020 be approved as circulated.

Carried

1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof - N/A

2. Public Meeting - N/A

3. Minutes and Matters Arising from Minutes

3.1 Adoption of Minutes - N/A

3.2 Questions of Staff

4. Correspondence

4.1 Make a Wish Canada

RE: Request for 2020 Sponsorship ad donation of \$349.00

Circulated to Mayor & Council, Director of Finance, and filed.

5. Deputations

5.1 Laurie Del Net, Executive Director; Dan DiNicolo, President, CofC

RE: 2019 Chamber of Commerce Report and request for 2020 funding

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Dan DiNicolo and Laurie Del Net addressed Council from a prepared power point presentation noting the following with respect to 2019 activities of the Chamber of Commerce: New board formed early in the year; New Executives including President, Vice President and Treasurer; New Executive Director; New Partnerships.

Ms. Del Net was hired as new full-time Executive Director in late August, 2019 and in addition to this role is also involved in a new strategic partnership as the Business Development Officer with The Business Centre Nipissing Parry Sound, aimed at helping new businesses starting up.

Other events in 2019 included: the end-of-season celebration cruise, first launched in 2018, providing businesses an opportunity to network; the well-attended October 15, 2019 federal all-candidates meeting; advocacy days for business at Queen`s Park, providing opportunity to advocate for business and the community generally with MPPs and Ministers; connecting the business and local not-for-profit food sector through a festive community dinner raising \$1,000 each for Harvest Share and Community Living`s Community Kitchen programs; Ms. Del Net`s participation as administrative supporter with the Founder`s Circle.

Mr. DiNicolo provided more information on collaborative initiatives with local institutions and service providers such as Canadore College, YMCA Employment, CB&DC, The Labour Market Group, involvement with WPS Employment Council, and co-hosting events with neighbouring Chambers. In response to a query, Mr. DiNicolo reported that The Business Centre (TBC) Nipissing Parry Sound does not offer financing assistance; typically it receives a referral from CB&DC for assistance with education and business plan development, and then the proponent returns to CB&DC for financial assistance.

Mr. DiNicolo reported that coming soon are the Business Excellence Awards scheduled for April 16th; a shared staff member between TBC and the Chamber pending approval of a 2-year NOHFC Intern; a variety of Business After Hours networking events, as well as business education opportunities.

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Mr. DiNicolo reported that the future focus of the Chamber is on strengthening its foundation through partnerships, collaborations and building a stronger membership base; to be a tight ship financially, hoping to reduce the need for municipal financial assistance; and helping new businesses start and existing businesses find their collective voice.

In response to a query, Mr. DiNicolo reported that currently municipal assistance goes towards general revenues.

6. Mayor & Councillors' Reports

7. Ratification of Matters from Closed Agenda

8. Consent Agenda

9. Resolutions and Direction to Staff

9.1 Finance and POA Court Services

9.2 Public Works

9.3 Development and Protective Services

9.4 CAO's Office/Administration

9.4.1 2020 Budget

Spokespersons: Clayton Harris, CAO; Stephanie Phillips, Director of Finance, Christine Gilbert, Manager of Accounting

CAO Clayton Harris introduced the budget noting three objectives for the meeting: to present the operating budget; to present the list of capital projects; and to present the list of "Items for Council Consideration" with the opportunity for Council to provide direction on the latter.

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Staff provided an overview of the budget per Mr. Harris' introduction, and responded to questions of Council on specific items, some of which Council requested additional information be provided at a subsequent meeting.

Resolution 2020 - 014

Moved by Councillor Borneman

Seconded by Councillor Burden

That the staff report, the 2020 Draft Budget Package and presentation be received for information purposes: and

That Council provide the following direction with respect to the budget requests titled "Items for Council Consideration":

1. Library \$7,840 approved
2. Museum \$1,272 approved
3. Speed Indicator \$3,900 approved
4. Community Sharps Bin Option 1 \$3,130 approved
5. Georgian Bay Ave. deferred for further consideration
6. Tower Hill Cabin removed from budget
7. Columbarium \$15,000 approved; \$25,000 from reserves
8. Sidewalks - Margaret et al deferred
9. Waubeek/Belvedere/Ave. Rd deferred for more information
10. Park to Park Trail \$2,000 approved
11. Community Support Services \$2,000 approved
12. Rotary 3-Pitch Services in kind approved

Carried

Direction

Moved by Councillor McCann

Seconded by Councillor Keith

THAT Council sets the date of March 18, at 7 PM as a Special Meeting of Council to further review the draft of 2020 budget.

Carried

9.5 Other Business

10. By-laws

10.1 Finance and POA Court Services

10.2 Public Works

10.3 Development and Protective Services

10.4 CAO's Office/Administration

10.5 Other Business

10.5.1 Confirming by-law

By-law 2020 - 7019

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

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

11. Adjournment

Mayor McGarvey adjourned the Special Meeting at 9:45 PM.