



Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

June 24, 2019

6:30 PM

Town Hall, Council Chambers

Present:

Mayor Walter Stack
County Councillor Dan Lynch
Councillor Ted Strike
Councillor Lynn Grinstead
Councillor Tom Burnette
Councillor Chris Toner
Councillor Lisa McGee

Also Present:

Jennifer Morawiec, Acting CAO/ GM, Client Services/Treasurer
Emily Melanson, A/ Deputy Clerk
John Steckly, GM, Operations
Robin Paquette, Town Planner
Rick Gwalchmai, Recreation Program Coordinator
Graeme Ivory, Manager of Recreation
Janet Carlile, Museum Curator
Jeff Crawford, Fire Chief
Estelle Moynes, Manager of Finance & Support Services

Absent:

1. Call to Order

Mayor Walter Stack called the Council meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called by the A/Deputy Clerk, with all Members of Council being present.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. 253-19

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

Be It Resolved That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, June 24, 2019 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

4. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None

5. Question Period

None

6. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Resolution No. 254-19

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Ted Strike

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under items 6 (a) on the agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council June 10, 2019).

Resolution CARRIED

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7. Awards/ Delegations/ Presentations

a) Awards

i) Youth of the Year – Alexander “Zander” Abercrombie

Mayor Stack provided an overview of Zander Abercrombie’s contributions to the community and how his involvement has contributed to the betterment of the community, following which he welcomed Zander to come forward and accept the Youth of the Year Award. Sandra Elliott, the Secretary for Greater Arnprior Seniors Council, also spoke a few congratulatory words in honour of Zander Abercrombie.

ii) Arnprior School of Dance

Mayor Walter Stack welcomed the young residents of Arnprior who belong to the Arnprior School of Dance and congratulated them on qualifying for the Shine National Dance competition taking place in Niagara Falls this July.

b) Delegation

i) Renfrew County Legal Clinic, Amy Scholten

Amy Scholten, together with Mike Gimbo and Sheila Havey (Legal Clinic Board Members), provided a presentation, attached as Appendix A and forming part of these minutes, with respect to the effect funding cuts will have on their organization. Ms. Scholten requested Council support the Renfrew County Legal Clinic in their efforts to preserve front line service delivery in our local communities.

c) Presentation

i) Site Plan for 386 Daniel Street – Drive Thru Pharmacy

ii) Canada Day 2019, Recreation Program Coordinator

8. Public Meetings

None

9. Matters Tabled/Deferred/Unfinished Business

a) **Deferred Report 19-06-10-02 Community Safety and Well-Being Planning (CSWB)**

Resolution No. 255-19

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council support the Renfrew Police Services Board in the development of a joint detachment-based community safety and well-being plan.

Report and Resolution CARRIED

10. Staff Reports

a) **Report – Greater Arnprior Seniors Council (GASC) Year End – Town Planner**

Resolution No. 256-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council receive Staff Report 19-06-24-01 as information; and

That Council continue as a stakeholder participating in the Greater Arnprior Seniors Council and its activities within the community.

Report and Resolution CARRIED

The Town Planner provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

b) Report – Museum Strategic Plan – Museum Curator

Resolution No. 257-19

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council approve the Arnprior and District Museum's 2019-2023 Strategic plan.

Report and Resolution CARRIED

The Museum Curator and Board Chair, Scott Catterill, provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

c) Report – Bi-Annual Financial – A/CAO, GMCS/Treasurer

Resolution No. 258-19

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council receive report number 19-06-24-03 as information.

Report and Resolution CARRIED

The A/CAO, GMCS/Treasurer provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

d) Report – Budget Matters – Expenses: Ontario Regulation 284/09 – A/CAO, GMCS/Treasurer

Resolution No. 259-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council adopt this report by Resolution as required under the Municipal Act, 2001, Ontario Regulation 284/09.

Report and Resolution CARRIED

The A/CAO, GMCS/Treasurer provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

e) Report – Application to Municipal Grants Policy – The Arnprior & District NeighbourLink Fountain – A/ Deputy Clerk

Resolution No. 260-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council approve the grant support request submitted by the Arnprior & District NeighbourLink Fountain in the amount of \$3,000.00 to be funded from Account 1-5-7600-6999 Municipal Grants.

Report and Resolution CARRIED

The A/Deputy Clerk provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

f) Report – Winter Sidewalk Maintenance Options – GM, Operations

Resolution No. 261-19

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council approve the updated priority sidewalk route as described herein as the preferred approach to winter sidewalk maintenance for the Town of Arnprior, and that the Town's Road Maintenance Policy be adjusted accordingly to reflect these changes;

That Council authorize the Operations Department to hire an additional Labourer full-time employee and convert the temporary Parks Maintenance position to a full-time Parks Maintenance/Labourer position effective November 1st, 2019;

That the equivalent of one Labourer full-time employee (2 x 0.5 FTE) be funded from the current operating winter control budget and that funding for the additional 0.5 Labourer fulltime employee be incorporated into the 2020 operating budget through Public Works, Water and Wastewater labour lines.

That Council authorize staff to tender for the purchase of two new sidewalk plow units complete with plow, salt spreader, blower and sweeper attachments;

That Council fund the purchase of the two sidewalk plow units, at an estimated total cost of \$300,000 from the 2019 Provincial Service Delivery Allotment funding.

Report and Resolution AMENDED

The GM of Operations provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

Resolution No. 262-19

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council amend resolution No. 261-19 with respect to the updated priority sidewalk route by maintaining Stonehaven Way (from Baskin to Friday) on the winter sidewalk maintenance route and by removing Landrigan Street from the winter sidewalk maintenance route.

Resolution AMENDED

Resolution No. 263-19

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council approve the updated priority sidewalk route as described herein, as amended (removing Landrigan Street, maintaining Stonehaven Way) as the preferred approach to winter sidewalk maintenance for the Town of Arnprior, and that the Town's Road Maintenance Policy be adjusted accordingly to reflect these changes;

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Report and Resolution CARRIED AS AMENDED

11. Committee Reports and Minutes

- i) Chair Lynn Grinstead provided a Bi-Annual report on the Community Development Advisory Committee.
- ii) Chair Ted Strike provided a Bi-Annual report on the Corporate Services Advisory Committee Bi-Annual.
- iii) Chair Dan Lynch provided a Bi-Annual Report on the Operations Advisory Committee.

Councillor Grinstead vacated her seat at 9:01 p.m.

Councillor Grinstead resumed her seat at 9:05 p.m.

12. Notice of Motions

None

13. County Councillor's Report from County Council

County Councillor Dan Lynch provided an overview of the following with respect to Renfrew County Council business:

- Madawaska Blvd. construction has commenced. Emergency numbers include:
Scott Fields 613-229-4111
Felix Wasiewicz 613-690-3847

Taylor Hannah 613-735-4353

Non working hours – County – 1-806-353-6374

- A new Committee has been formed, Ad Hoc Health Committee, to deal with Province 10 Health Teams including EMS. Motion was made to have the County of Renfrew be selected as one team of the 10.
- The Algonquin Trail Committee is in the process of creating a policy dealing with trail permits and advertising for 2020.
- As of June 19, 2019 there is a waiting list of 1219 for beds in the County and Arnprior Long Term Beds.

14. Correspondence & Petitions

a) Correspondence Package No. I-19-JUN-12

Resolution No. 264-19

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That the Correspondence Package No. I-19-JUN-12 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution CARRIED

b) Correspondence Package No. A-19-JUN-10

Resolution No. 265-19

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the Correspondence Package No. A-19-JUN-10 be received and that the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 266-19

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the correspondence from Riverside Grill and Bar;

Further That Council approve the writing of a Letter of Non-Objection in consideration for the Canada Day Celebrations at Riverside Grill and Bar on July 1, 2019.

Further That the Riverside Grill and Bar be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Arnprior added as an additional insured for the event.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 267-19

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

Whereas the Federal Government has proposed Bill C-68, An Act to amend the Fisheries Act and other Acts in consequence;

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Whereas Bill C-68 was amended by the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans, to rewrite Section 2(2) of the Fisheries Act;

Whereas this amendment will deem any body of water capable of supporting fish as being a fish habitat;

Whereas consequential of this amendment, puddles in farm fields, municipal lands, drainage ditches or water reservoirs can possibly be declared protected fish habitats;

Whereas this amendment has been described by the Canadian Cattlemen's Association as something which will "place a crippling regulatory burden on family-owned operations";

Whereas Bill C-68 as it currently reads threatens the future viability of the family farm in Canada;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Town of Arnprior call on the Parliament of Canada to remove the proposed changes to Section 2(2) of the Fisheries Act;

Further Be It Resolved That this resolution be circulated to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; Cheryl Gallant, MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; John Yakabuski, MPP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; the Federal of Canadian Municipalities; and all municipalities in the County of Renfrew.

Resolution CARRIED

15. Bylaws/ Resolutions

a) By-laws

Resolution No. 268-19

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the following by-laws be and are hereby enacted and passed:

- ii) By-law No. 6975-19 – Exemption to Noise By-law (Riverside Grill & Bar)
- iii) By-law No. 6976-19 – Site Plan Agreement – 386 Daniel Street S.

Resolution CARRIED

At the request Councillor Ted Strike, Mayor Walter Stack asked for a recorded vote with respect to item 15 a) i) – By-law No. 6974-19 – Recreational Open-Air Burn By-law.

Resolution No. 269-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That the following by-law be and are hereby enacted and passed:

- i) By-law No. 6974-19 – Recreational Open-air Burn By-law

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Councillor Lisa McGee	Yes
Councillor Chris Toner	Yes
Councillor Tom Burnette	Yes
Councillor Lynn Grinstead	Yes
Councillor Ted Strike	No
County Councillor Dan Lynch	Yes
Mayor Walter Stack	Yes

Resolution CARRIED

16. Announcements

County Councillor Dan Lynch made the following announcements:

- On behalf of Council, I'd like to thank the Arnprior Dentistry Doctors and staff who under the leadership of Doctor, donated their time to see 43 patients last Saturday which equated to \$23,300.00 of free dentistry to residents of our town.
- On behalf of Council I'd like to wish all French Canadians a Happy Birthday as this is St Jean Batiste Day. Bonne Fete

Mayor Walter Stack made the following announcements:

- Congratulations to the Arnprior and District Museum Lumber on their grand opening of the exhibit "Timber!" which took place on June 22, 2019.
- A successful showcase, organized by GallantMedia, took place over the weekend at the Nick Smith Centre.
- Arnprior Cares Fun Day was held at Robert Simpson Park with over 100 people in attendance.
- Thank you to staff for their assistance in hosting the June 23rd Public Information Session held by MPP Yakabuski. The Ministry of Natural Resources has committed to bringing in a third party review for river management.
- A fire on Bell Street marks the third major loss from fire in the recent past. Notable is the volunteer turnout, from Arnprior and the McNab/Braeside firefighters.
- There is some patrolling of the Algonquin Trail taking place.
- A clean yard is an ongoing concern and reflects on our community as a whole.
- Mayor Stack will not be present at the next council meeting.

17. Media Questions

None

18. Closed Session

Resolution No. 270-19 (9:20 p.m.)

Moved Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council move into Closed Session regarding One (1) Matter to discuss a personal matter about a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board pursuant to Section 239 (2) (c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 (Allan Drive).

Resolution CARRIED

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Resolution No. 271-19 (9:27 p.m.)

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council resume to Open Session.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 272-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council authorize staff to proceed as directed by Council in closed session regarding the Allan Drive property.

Resolution CARRIED

19. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution No. 273-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Ted Strike

That By-law No. 6977-19 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 24, 2019 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution CARRIED

20. Adjournment

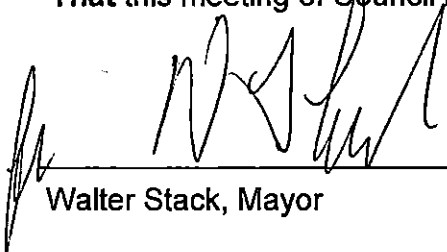
Resolution No. 274-19

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

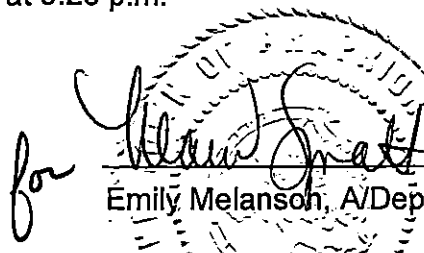
Seconded by Dan Lynch

That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

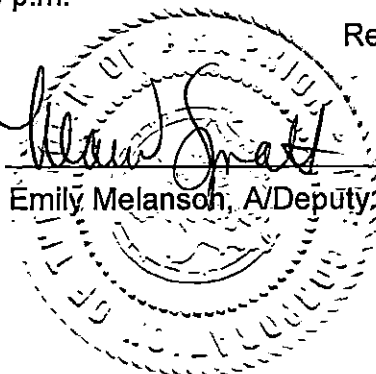
Resolution CARRIED



Walter Stack, Mayor

for 

Emily Melanson, A/Deputy Clerk



Support the Renfrew County Legal Clinic

AMY SCHOLTEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Agenda

- ▶ Renfrew County Legal Clinic Background
- ▶ Services Offered
- ▶ Funding
- ▶ Impact of Legal Aid Cuts
- ▶ Request from the Municipality

Background on the Renfrew County Legal Clinic

- ▶ Non-profit corporation with 10 volunteer Board members from across Renfrew County.
- ▶ Provide free legal services ranging from basic advice to full representation to low income residents for over 30 years.
- ▶ One of a total of 72 legal clinics across the province.
- ▶ Have satellite offices across the county:
 - ▶ Given free ad hoc office space when we need to meet with a client that lives in a community where we do not have a satellite office located.

Background on the Renfrew County Legal Clinic

- ▶ Provide direct front line legal services to low income clients across Renfrew County.
- ▶ Service numbers continue to go up annually.
- ▶ Have 4 practising lawyers including myself.
- ▶ We are audited annually.
- ▶ All staff provide front line service.

Areas of Law the Renfrew County Legal Clinic Provide Service for

- ▶ Seniors' Law;
- ▶ Landlord Tenant;
- ▶ Ontario Disability Benefits;
- ▶ Canada Pension Plan Disability Benefits;
- ▶ Workplace Safety and Insurance Board;
- ▶ Criminal Injuries Compensation;
- ▶ Human Rights;
- ▶ Ontario Works;
- ▶ Employment Law;
- ▶ Consumer Law; and
- ▶ Provide general legal information.
- ▶ **Do not** practice in Family or Criminal law.

Other Services Provided

- ▶ Provide public legal education sessions;
- ▶ Duty counsel services at the Landlord Tenant Board hearings; and
- ▶ Work with different community groups on issues such as domestic violence and homelessness in Renfrew County.

Funding

- ▶ Majority of our funding comes from the Ministry of the Attorney General.
- ▶ Legal Aid Ontario distributes amongst Legal Clinics.
- ▶ Law Foundation provides Legal Aid Ontario the interest earned on lawyer's trust accounts.



Legal Aid Cuts

- ▶ In danger of having our budget significantly reduced which will have an immediate and substantial effect on direct client service delivery.
- ▶ The provincial government's 2019 budget cut funding to Legal Aid retroactive to April 1, 2019.
- ▶ Legal Aid is downloading a large portion of these cuts to Legal Clinics.



Impact of the Funding Cuts

- ▶ Operate on a very tight budget so a cut will have a devastating impact on the Clinic's ability to continue to provide legal services.
- ▶ Could result in the closure of the Renfrew County Legal Clinic.
- ▶ As a rural community service provider, we are at risk of local services being cancelled with the expectation that services will be delivered out of Ottawa for example.
- ▶ A second scenario is that we stay open, but with a smaller staff and we become ineffectual.

Impact of the Funding Cuts

- ▶ The Clinic is in danger of significant budget cuts despite how much the Clinic accomplishes with so little resources.
- ▶ Last year, the Clinic won 1.5 million dollars for our clients.
 - ▶ This money was spent locally and it came from outside sources.
 - ▶ Clients got off of Ontario Works benefits, the municipalities financially benefited and the local economy was strengthened.

Impact of the Funding Cuts

- ▶ Will have adverse economic consequences resulting including:
 - ▶ Increased reliance on municipal services such as mental health services, hospitals and public housing,
 - ▶ Increased demand on our local judicial system from unrepresented people appearing without legal assistance; and
 - ▶ Increased reliance on social assistance administration resulting from people being denied appropriate supports.
- ▶ The adverse social consequences include:
 - ▶ Increased homelessness resulting from avoidable evictions; and
 - ▶ Increased poverty resulting from lack of income supports and employment supports.

Request from the Municipality

1. Give immediate direction to the province and Legal Aid that budget cuts to Legal Aid Ontario should not be downloaded onto Legal Clinics.
 - ▶ This direction is needed to preserve front line service delivery in our local community.
2. Give AMO direction to speak to the province and voice opposition to the budget cuts to Legal Clinics.

Request from the Municipality

3. Call upon the Premier and the Attorney General to make a commitment that everyone in the province has access to justice:
 - ▶ To respect the commitment of their government to not decrease front line services; and
 - ▶ To confirm that funding for community legal clinics will not be decreased; and
 - ▶ Direct that a copy of this resolution be issued forthwith to the MPP for Renfrew County, the Attorney General, the Legal Aid Ontario Board, the Premier and all Renfrew County municipalities.

Thank you!