



**Minutes of Council Meeting  
January 11, 2021  
6:30 PM  
Electronic Participation – Via Zoom**

**Council and Staff Attendance**

**Council Members Present:**

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

**Council Members Absent:**

None

**Town Staff Present:**

Robin Paquette, CAO  
Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk  
Kaila Zamojski, Deputy Clerk  
Jennifer Morawiec, GMCS, Treasurer  
John Steckly, GM, Operations  
Estelle Moynes, Manager of Finance and Support Services  
Graeme Ivory, Manager of Recreation,  
Janet Carlile, Museum Curator  
Deanna Nicholson, Env. Engineering Officer  
Ryan Wall, Engineering Officer  
Patrick Foley, Engineering Officer, Facilities and Civil

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Roll Call**

The roll was called, with all Members of Council being present.

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

Resolution No. 001-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**Be It Resolved That** the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, January 11, 2021, be adopted.

Resolution Carried

**4. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no disclosures declared.

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## 5. Question Period

None

## 6. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution No. 002-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Tom Burnette

**That** the minutes of the Regular & Special Meetings of Council listed under item no. 6 (a) to (c) on the Agenda be adopted (Special Meeting of Council – December 9, 2020; Regular Meeting of Council – December 14, 2021; Special Meeting of Council – December 23, 2020).

Resolution Carried

## 7. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

### a) Delegations

#### i. History of Racism in the Ottawa Valley and Anti-Racism Efforts – Katie Ryan-Perfitt and Ro Nwosu

Katie Ryan Perfitt and Ro Nwosu offered their thanks for the opportunity to speak. Following a land acknowledgement Ms. Nwosu provided some history of racism in the Ottawa Valley, as well as, information on bias, discrimination, and positive ways for the municipality to move forward when it comes to anti-racism and anti-discrimination efforts.

Ms. Nwosu recommended Council consider the following approach in addressing systemic racism in the Town of Arnprior:

1. Provide training to staff and Members of Council, through a BIPOC educator;
2. Hire an outside consultant to prepare an anti-racism and anti-discrimination action plan for the Town of Arnprior; and
3. Create a BIPOC Advisory Committee for the Town of Arnprior.

Ms. Nwsosu ended her presentation thanking Members of Council for their time, stressing when it comes to systemic racism, the Town of Arnprior has the capacity to do more and be more, and it all comes down to wanting to be part of the change.

### b) Presentations

#### i. Tabling of the Draft 2021 Budget and Long Range Capital Forecast – General Manager, Client Services/ Treasurer and CAO

The General Manager, Client Services/Treasurer, Manager of Finance and Support Services and CAO provided a presentation tabling the Draft 2021 Budget and Long Range Capital Forecast, attached as Appendix A and forming part of these minutes, and responded to questions.

## 4. Public Meeting

None

## 5. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

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## 6. Staff Reports

### a) Marshall's Bay Meadows Subdivision – Phase 1 Drainage and Subdivision Agreements 47-T-14002 – CAO

Resolution No. 003-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council adopt a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Drainage Agreement and a Subdivision Agreement for Phase 1 of the Marshall's Bay Meadows Subdivision (47-T-14002) with the final form and content of the Agreements being to the satisfaction of the CAO, in consultation with the Town Solicitor; and

**That** Council approve the use of the names Edward Levesque, Seabert, Douglas Jim Brown, Dickie Pell, and Morgan Clouthier, from the Bank of Street Names for Streets 2, 3, 4 and 5 on the proposed Plan of Subdivision.

Resolution Carried

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

## 7. Committee Reports and Minutes

None

## 8. Notice of Motions

None

## 9. County Councillor's Report from County Council

County Councillor Lynch noted the following information from the County of Renfrew:

- Renfrew County Warden, Debbie Robinson has been elected as the Chair of the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus.
- Positive COVID-19 cases in the County continue to rise, with December being the worst month yet. Dr. Cushman predicted Covid-19 cases to rise, which proved to true with 9 positive cases of COVID-19 in the County, on January 7, 2021.
- County Councillor Lynch will make a request at the Operations Committee Meeting to assist in the funding of the new intersection planned at Daniel Street and Edey Street.

## 10. Correspondence & Petitions

### a) Correspondence Package – I-21-January-01

Resolution No. 004-21

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Chris Toner

That the Correspondence Package No. I-21-January-01 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following items:

- The province has announced that senior drivers aged 80 and above, may renew their driver's licences without completing a Group Education Session. As well, they can update their driver's licence photo by using their current driver's licence photo.

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These changes mean that all Class G and M drivers are now eligible to renew their licences online at ServiceOntario.ca. In addition, the Ontario government has cancelled all in-vehicle passenger tests until January 23, 2021, to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

- The Ontario government has approved the sale of alcohol with food takeout and delivery orders permanently.
- The County of Renfrew allocation from the Social Relief Fund is \$3,243,216.
- The Ontario government is allocating an additional \$695 million to provide financial relief for municipalities and help ensure they do not carry operating deficits into 2021. Arnprior's allocation was \$51,000. On question of County Councillor, the General Manager, Client Services/ Treasurer noted funding payments will be deposited this month, as per the correspondence received from the Ontario Government.
- The Ontario government is doubling funding for the Black Youth Action Plan by investing an additional \$60 million over three years. This funding will renew existing Black Youth Action Plan programming, create a new economic empowerment-programming stream, as well as provide targeted supports to help Black families and communities recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### 11. By-laws/Resolutions

#### a) By-laws

Resolution No. 005-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

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

- i. By-law No. 7122-21 – Adopt Interim Tax By-law
- ii. By-law No. 7123-21 – Enter into Drainage/ Subdivision Agreement (Madawaska Regional/City of Ottawa/ Arnprior Nepean Railway Company Inc.)
- iii. By-law No. 7124-21 – Amendment to Zoning By-law 6875-18 (Cranston Street)

Resolution Carried

### 12. Announcements

Mayor Walter Stack asked Members of Council, staff and the public to pause for a moment of silence to mourn the loss of Theresa Fritz, former editor of Metroland Media and Carleton Place Councillor, as she was a well-known individual in the Arnprior community. Members of Council and staff paused for a moment of silence.

County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following announcements:

- Thank you to residents of Arnprior for continuing to slow the spread of COVID-19.
- Thank you to the local restaurants who provided a meal to those who needed one around Christmas.
- Thank you to PJ's Restaurant and Darren Wood for their efforts in delivering meals on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to families who needed them.
- Thank you to the Arnprior Fire Department for flooding the outdoor rinks in Town.
- The Arnprior Hospital Catch the Ace Lottery is currently at \$46,845, and tickets are available.

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## 13. Media Questions

None

## 14. Closed Session

Resolution No. 006-21 (8:23 pm)

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council move into Closed Session regarding one (1) matter pursuant to Section 239 (2) (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege including communications necessary for that purpose (Drainage Swale).

Resolution Carried

Resolution No. 007-21 (9:44 pm)

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council resume to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution Carried

Resolution No. 008-21

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council receive Confidential Report # 21-01-11 and proceed as directed in Closed Session.

Resolution Carried

## 15. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution No. 009-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**That** By-law No. 7125-21 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 11, 2021 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

## 16. Adjournment

Resolution No. 010-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** this meeting of Council be adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Resolution Carried

## Signatures

Original signed by

Walter Stack, Mayor

Original signed by

Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk