

# MINUTES Regular Council

June 25, 2019 6:00pm Town Hall, Council Chambers

- Council Present: Mayor Strathdee Councillor Craigmile Councillor Edney Councillor Luna Councillor Hainer Councillor Pridham Councillor Winter
- Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk Richard Anderson, Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief Grant Brouwer, Director of Building and Devleopment Matthew Corbett, Library CEO Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works Lisa Lawrence, Director of Human Resources Trisha McKibbin, Director of Corporate Services André Morin, Director of Finance / Treasurer Jenna McCartney, Deputy Clerk

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

# 2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

# 3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Strathdee asked that agenda items 5.1 and 5.2 be switched.

Resolution 2019-06-25-01 Moved By Councillor Pridham Seconded By Councillor Edney **THAT** the June 25, 2019 regular Council meeting agenda be accepted as amended.

# CARRIED

# 4. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

None.

# 5. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

## 5.2 Retirement Presentation to Kay Sands and John Donnelly

Mayor Strathdee, Council and Staff thanked Kay Sands and John Donnelly for their years of service to the Town of St. Marys.

# 5.1 Upper Thames River Conservation Authority re: Role of UTRCA in St. Marys

Sandy Levin, Chair of Upper Thames River Conservation Authority and Ian Wilcox, General Manager of Upper Thames River Conservation Authority spoke to the UTRCA's role in flood management specific to St. Marys presentation.

Council took a brief recess at 7:35 pm.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 7:44 pm.

#### 6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council - June 11, 2019

Resolution 2019-06-25-02 Moved By Councillor Craigmile Seconded By Councillor Luna

**THAT** the June 11, 2019 regular Council meeting minutes be approved by Council, and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

#### CARRIED

#### 6.2 Strategic Priorities Committee - June 18, 2019

Resolution 2019-06-25-03 Moved By Councillor Edney Seconded By Councillor Luna **THAT** the June 18, 2019 Strategic Priorities Committee meeting minutes be approved by Council, and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk; and

**THAT** minute item 5.1 and 5.2 be raised for discussion.

# CARRIED

#### 6.2.1 DEV 36-2019 Building Height in St. Marys

Resolution 2019-06-25-04 Moved By Councillor Winter Seconded By Councillor Edney

**THAT** staff be directed to include policies in the Official Plan review to:

- Increase the Maximum Permitted Height for all Residential Areas from 3 to 4 storeys
- Provide clarity how the average height above grade will be defined, with consideration given to defining the 4 storey maximum by the primary vantage point for the development
- Allow for flexibility in the 4 storey maximum for residential developments on green fields and fringe lands of the Town where the impact to the surrounding neighbourhood is limited

#### CARRIED

# 6.2.2 DEV 40-2019 Town of St. Marys Official Plan Review Population Projections and Residential Land Demand / Supply

Resolution 2019-06-25-05 Moved By Councillor Luna Seconded By Councillor Edney

**THAT** the lands identified and recommended by staff in DEV 40-2019 be included in the Town of St. Marys' residential supply for the purposes of the Official Plan Review and Update; and

**THAT** Council directs the Planner to create a 'special residential designation' that limits permitted building forms to mid-rise apartments, stacked or back-to-back townhouses and similar medium density development, and/or requires a minimum density of development (e.g. 60 units / hectare) for the purposes of

identifying appropriate locations for higher density development in new mixed use areas.

# CARRIED

# 7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: More Homes, More Choice, Bill 108

Resolution 2019-06-25-06 Moved By Councillor Craigmile Seconded By Councillor Luna

**THAT** the correspondence from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding More Homes, More Choice, Bill 108 be received.

#### CARRIED

#### 7.2 Randy Pettapiece, MPP re: Provincial Cost Sharing Adjustments

Resolution 2019-06-25-07 Moved By Councillor Pridham Seconded By Councillor Winter

**THAT** the correspondence from Randy Pettapiece, MPP regarding the provincial cost sharing adjustments be received.

#### CARRIED

#### 7.3 Veterans Affairs Canada re: Lowering of Flags for Vimy Ridge Day

Resolution 2019-06-25-08 Moved By Councillor Hainer Seconded By Councillor Pridham

**THAT** the correspondence from Veterans Affairs Canada acknowledging the Town's lowering of flags for Vimy Ridge Day be received.

#### CARRIED

#### 7.4 Township of Armour re: Opposition to Bill 115

Resolution 2019-06-25-09 Moved By Councillor Luna Seconded By Councillor Pridham **THAT** the correspondence from the Township of Armour regarding opposition to Bill 115 be received.

### CARRIED

#### 7.5 St. Marys Public Library Board re: Provincial Funding

Resolution 2019-06-25-10 Moved By Councillor Edney Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** the correspondence from the St. Marys Public Library Board regarding provincial funding be received.

#### CARRIED

# Resolution 2019-06-25-11 Moved By Councillor Hainer Seconded By Councillor Luna

**THAT** the Town of St. Marys Council considers public libraries as a vital service to community well-being especially in a rural community such as ours; and

**THAT** public libraries such as St. Marys Public Library will be significantly and negatively impacted by the loss of equitable access to information and materials; and

**THAT** public libraries offer much needed support to the very vulnerable members of our society - the children, the seniors, recent immigrants, and the low-income citizens; and

**THAT** the resulting increase of postage costs proposed by the Province will not have been considered in the budget preparation for the current fiscal year and will require lending libraries such as ours to carefully consider whether to fill an interlibrary loan request; and

**THAT** the Town of St. Marys Council strongly requests the Ontario Provincial Government to reconsider the funding cuts for Southern Ontario Library Service and Ontario Library Service—North at a minimum to the previous 2018 funding level; and

**THAT** that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Culture, Recreation and Sport; Randy Pettapiece, MPP; Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario.

#### 8. STAFF REPORTS

#### 8.1 Administration and Human Resources

# 8.1.1 CAO 43-2019 June Monthly Report (Administration and Human Resources)

Brent Kittmer and Lisa Lawrence spoke to CAO 43-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-12 Moved By Councillor Hainer Seconded By Councillor Pridham

**THAT** Council direct the St. Marys Library Board to conduct a theoretical exercise of reducing the 2019 budget by 4%, as all St. Marys departments are doing.

#### CARRIED

# Resolution 2019-06-25-13

Moved By Councillor Luna Seconded By Councillor Pridham

**THAT** CAO 43-2019 June Monthly Report (Administration and Human Resources) be received for information.

#### CARRIED

# 8.1.2 CAO 44-2019 Energy Conservation and Demand Management and Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Milestone Program

Brent Kittmer spoke to CAO 44-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-14 Moved By Councillor Luna Seconded By Councillor Edney

**THAT** CAO 44-2019 Energy Conservation and Demand Management and Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Milestone Program be received; and

**THAT** Council approves the 2019 update to the Town of St. Marys Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan; and

**THAT** the Town of St. Marys endorse the Government of Canada's commitment to the Paris Agreement to limit global temperature increase to below two degrees Celsius and to pursue efforts to limit the global temperature increase to 1.5 degrees Celsius; and

**THAT** the Town of St. Marys review the guidelines on PCP member benefits and responsibilities and then communicate to FCM its participation in the PCP program and its commitment to achieving the milestones set out in the PCP five-milestone framework; and

**THAT** the Town of St. Marys appoints the Mayor and the CAO/Clerk as the climate change leads for the Town of St. Marys.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.2 Corporate Services

#### 8.2.1 COR 18-2019 June Monthly Report (Corporate Services)

Trisha McKibbin spoke to COR 18-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-15 Moved By Councillor Craigmile Seconded By Councillor Pridham

**THAT** COR 18-2019 June Monthly Report (Corporate Services) be received for information.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.2.2 COR 19-2019 Public Art Concept

Trisha McKibbin spoke to COR 19-2019 Public Art Concept report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-16 Moved By Councillor Edney Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT COR 19-2019 Public Art Concept be received; and

**THAT** Council approve the concept of the first public art piece be located in the courtyard of Town Hall (Church Street North) and to be a free standing art installation.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.2.3 COR 20-2019 Homecoming Agreement

Trisha McKibbin spoke to COR 20-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

# Resolution 2019-06-25-17

Moved By Councillor Pridham Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT COR 20-2019 Homecoming Agreement be received; and

**THAT** Council direct staff to execute the Homecoming Agreement with the 2020 Homecoming Committee; and

**THAT** Council authorize By-law 64-2019 for the purpose of authorizing an agreement between the Corporation of the Town of St. Marys and the 2020 Homecoming Committee.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.3 Finance

#### 8.3.1 FIN 10-2019 June Monthly Report (Finance)

Andre Morin spoke to FIN 10-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

#### Resolution 2019-06-25-18

Moved By Councillor Winter Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT FIN 10-2019 June Monthly Report (Finance) be received for information.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.3.2 FIN 11-2019 Federal Gas Tax Grant One-Time Increase

Andre Morin spoke to FIN 11-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

#### Resolution 2019-06-25-19

Moved By Councillor Craigmile Seconded By Councillor Luna

**THAT** FIN 11-2019 Federal Gas Tax Grant One-Time Increase be received; and

**THAT** Council direct the Treasurer to place the funds into reserve fund when received; and

**THAT** staff bring forward recommendations to Council for the use of the one-time funding during the 2020 budget deliberations.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.4 Fire and Emergency Services

#### 8.4.1 FD 13-2019 June Monthly Report (Emergency Services)

Fire Chief Anderson spoke to FD 13-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-20 Moved By Councillor Winter Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** FD 13-2019 June Monthly Report (Emergency Services) be received for information.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.4.2 FD 14-2019 Proposed Creation of Fire Lieutenant Positions

Fire Chief Anderson spoke to FD 14-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-21

Moved By Councillor Pridham Seconded By Councillor Winter

**THAT** FD 14-2019 Proposed Creation of Fire Lieutenant Positions be received; and

**THAT** Council approve the creation of five Fire Lieutenant Positons within the 2019 budget year; and

**THAT** Council approve the unbudgeted allocation of \$1,250 for fire department wage adjustments.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.5 Community Services

8.5.1 DCS 18-2019 June Monthly Report (Community Services)

Brent Kittmer, on behalf of Stephanie Ische, spoke to DCS 18-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-22

Seconded By Councillor Edney

**THAT** DCS 18-2019 June Monthly Report (Community Services) be received for information.

# CARRIED

### 8.6 Building and Development Services

# 8.6.1 DEV 41-2019 June Monthly Report (Building and Development)

Grant Brouwer spoke to DEV 41-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-23 Moved By Councillor Luna Seconded By Councillor Edney

**THAT** DEV-41-2019 June Monthly Report (Building and Development) be received for information.

# CARRIED

# 8.7 Public Works

# 8.7.1 PW 39-2019 June Monthly Report (Public Works)

Jed Kelly spoke to PW 39-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

#### Resolution 2019-06-25-24

Moved By Councillor Winter Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** PW 39-2019 June Monthly Report (Public Works) be received for information.

#### CARRIED

#### 8.7.2 PW 33-2019 Forestry Management: Revised Tree Species List

Jed Kelly spoke to PW 33-2019 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2019-06-25-25 Moved By Councillor Edney Seconded By Councillor Pridham

**THAT** PW 33-2019 Forestry Management: Revised Tree Species List be received; and

**THAT** Council approve By-law 65-2019, amending by-law 85-2018, Forestry Management Plan.

# CARRIED

# 9. EMERGENT OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

11. BY-LAWS

Resolution 2019-06-25-26 Moved By Councillor Edney Seconded By Councillor Luna

**THAT** By-Laws 64-2019 and 65-2019 be read a first, second and third time; and be finally passed, and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

#### CARRIED

# 11.1 By-law 64-2019 Authorize an Agreement with The 2020 Homecoming Committee

#### 11.2 By-law 65-2019 Amend By-law 85-2018 Forestry Management Plan

#### 12. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mayor Strathdee reviewed the upcoming meetings as presented on the agenda.

#### 13. CLOSED SESSION

None.

#### 14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution 2019-06-25-27 Moved By Councillor Hainer Seconded By Councillor Luna **THAT** By-Law 66-2019, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of June 25, 2019 regular Council meeting be read a first, second and third time; and be finally passed and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

#### CARRIED

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2019-06-25-28 Moved By Councillor Luna Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT this regular meeting of Council adjourn at 9:35 pm.

CARRIED

Al Strathdee, Mayor

Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk