



MINUTES
Regular Council

May 12, 2020
6:00pm
Town Hall, Council Chambers

Council Present: Mayor Strathdee (in-person)
Councillor Craigmile (videoconference)
Councillor Edney (videoconference)
Councillor Luna (videoconference)
Councillor Pridham (videoconference)
Councillor Winter (in-person)

Council Absent: Councillor Hainer

Staff Present: **In-Person**
Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk
Jenna McCartney, Deputy Clerk
Conference Line
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works
André Morin, Director of Finance / Treasurer
Dave Blake, Environmental Services Supervisor

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution 2020-05-12-01

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the May 12, 2020 regular Council meeting agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

In advance of the meeting, Frank Doyle of St. Marys Independent submitted the following questions.

Will any major projects be in jeopardy with the Town not receiving Connecting Links Funding?

Brent Kittmer, CAO, stated that the Town of St. Marys does not qualify for the Connecting Links funding as there are no Town owned roads that abut provincially managed highways.

Regarding the Stratford Police Service COVID-19 response team that will be working in St. Marys, Monday to Fridays, what will the two officers be responsible for on a daily basis?

Brent Kittmer, CAO, stated that the officers will conduct general patrol, receive and respond to any COVID-19 related calls and assist regular deployment units if needed with calls for service.

5. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

5.1 Ontario Clean Water Agency re: 1st Quarter Report

Renee Hornick of Ontario Clean Water Agency presented the first quarter reports for water and wastewater and responded to questions from Council.

Ms. Hornick introduced Adam McClure as the new Senior Operations Manager for St. Marys as Renee begins to transition out of the position. Ms. Hornick thanked Council and staff for their support during her time in St. Marys as the senior operations manager.

Resolution 2020-05-12-02

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the delegation from Ontario Clean Water Agency regarding first quarter reporting of 2020 for water and wastewater be received.

CARRIED

6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council - April 28, 2020

Resolution 2020-05-12-03

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the April 28, 2020 regular Council meeting minutes be approved by Council and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 CN re: Vegetation Control

Resolution 2020-05-12-04

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT the correspondence from CN regarding vegetation control be received.

CARRIED

7.2 Canada Post re: Service Delivery in St. Marys

Resolution 2020-05-12-05

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT the correspondence from Canada Post regarding postal situation in St. Marys be received.

CARRIED

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1 Public Works

8.1.1 PW 28-2020 Sodium in Drinking Water

Dave Blake presented PW 28-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-06

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT Report PW 28-2020 Sodium in Drinking Water be received;
and

THAT Council direct staff to develop a policy related to sodium in drinking water that will detail notification requirements that will inform the public of ongoing sodium levels within the municipal water supply.

CARRIED

8.1.2 PW 29-2020 Lead in Drinking Water

Dave Blake presented PW 29-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-07

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Winter

THAT Report PW 29-2020, Lead in Drinking Water be received; and

THAT Council direct staff to develop a formal policy related to lead in the drinking water system that details the process to be followed when lead services are identified, their replacements and the property notification process.

CARRIED

8.1.3 PW 30-2020 Results for Asphalt Resurfacing Tender

Jed Kelly presented PW 30-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-08

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT PW 30-2020 Results for Asphalt Resurfacing Tender report be received; and,

THAT Council authorizes the acceptance of asphalt pricing received through the County of Perth and authorize staff to proceed with the paving project up to the budgeted dollar value.

CARRIED

8.1.4 PW 31-2020 Church Street bridge Repairs Tender Award

Jed Kelly presented PW 31-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Prior to the reading of the staff recommendation, Councillor Winter declared a conflict of interest for this agenda item and 12.1, By-Law 44-2020. Councillor Winter vacated his seat.

Resolution 2020-05-12-09

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT PW 31-2020 Church Street Bridge Tender Award report be received; and,

THAT the tender for the Church Street Bridge Repairs project be awarded to McLean Taylor Construction Ltd. for the bid price of \$210,072.46, inclusive of all taxes and contingencies; and,

THAT Council approve By-Law 44-2020 and authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign the associated

CARRIED

Councillor Winter returned to his seat.

8.1.5 PW 32-2020 Grand Trunk Trail Staircase Capital Project Update

Jed Kelly presented PW 32-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-10

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT PW 32-2020 Grand Trunk Trail Staircase Capital Project Update report be received; and

THAT The Town's Capital Plan be amended to approve \$10,000 for design of the Grand Trunk Trail Staircase and to delay the construction phase of the project to 2021; and

THAT \$100,000 of the 2020 funding for the project be returned to the Town's capital reserve.

CARRIED

8.1.6 PW 33-2020 Concrete and Asphalt Grinding – Capital Project Request

Jed Kelly presented PW 33-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-11

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT PW 33-2020 Concrete and Asphalt Grinding – Capital Project Request report be received; and

THAT Council approve an amendment to the 2020 Capital Plan to include funding of \$110,000 from reserves for processing of concrete and asphalt to refresh the Town’s supply of granular “A” material.

CARRIED

8.2 CAO and Clerks

8.2.1 CAO 23-2020 National AccessAbility Week Proclamation

Jenna McCartney presented CAO 23-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-12

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Winter

THAT St. Marys Town Council send a letter to the Federal and Provincial Governments and Municipalities long our rail corridor, to recognize the importance of passenger rail service in our community and throughout Canada, the need to maintain service and expand frequency in our and many rural communities allowing better accessibility to a variety of destinations, and also acknowledging a large segment of Canada’s population rely on affordable forms of public transit including passenger trains.

CARRIED

Resolution 2020-05-12-13

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT CAO 23-2020 National AccessAbility Week Proclamation report be received; and

THAT Council proclaim the week of May 31 to June 6 as National AccessAbility Week in the Town of St. Marys.

CARRIED

8.2.2 CAO 24-2020 COVID-19 Pandemic Response and Business Continuity Update (May 12, 2020)

Brent Kittmer presented CAO 24-2020 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2020-05-12-14

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT Council supports the mandate of the Province of Ontario to open emergency childcare centres that accommodate the needs of essential workers; and

THAT Council directs staff to initiate the application process with the Province of Ontario and the Huron Perth Public Health to open an emergency childcare facility at the Town's existing Childcare Centre in as timely a manner as possible, and ensure that appropriate health and safety protocols are in place to protect staff when delivering the service.

CARRIED

Resolution 2020-05-12-15

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT CAO 24-2020 COVID-19 Pandemic Response and Business Continuity Update (May 12, 2020) be received for information.

CARRIED

9. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

9.1 Operational and Board Reports

Mayor Strathdee stated that a number of Committees and Boards will be resuming regularly scheduled meetings to be held virtually in the coming weeks with some having already commenced this week.

Each Councillor reported on the minutes of recent Committee and Board meetings.

Resolution 2020-05-12-16

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Winter

THAT agenda items 9.1.1 to 9.1.6 and 9.2.1 to 9.2.15 be received

CARRIED

9.1.1 Bluewater Recycling Association - Coun. Craigmile

9.1.2 Library Board - Coun. Craigmile, Edney, Mayor Strathdee

**9.1.3 Municipal Shared Services Committee - Mayor Strathdee,
Coun. Luna**

9.1.4 Huron Perth Public Health - Coun. Luna

9.1.5 Spruce Lodge Board - Coun. Luna, Pridham

9.1.6 Upper Thames River Conservation Authority

9.2 Advisory and Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

9.2.1 Accessibility Advisory Committee - Coun. Hainer

9.2.2 Business Improvement Area - Coun. Winter

9.2.3 CBHFM - Coun. Edney

9.2.4 Committee of Adjustment

**9.2.5 Community Policing Advisory Committee - Coun. Winter,
Mayor Strathdee**

9.2.6 Green Committee - Coun. Craigmile

9.2.7 Heritage Advisory Committee - Coun. Pridham

**9.2.8 Huron Perth Healthcare Local Advisory Committee - Coun.
Luna**

9.2.9 Museum Advisory Committee - Coun. Hainer

9.2.10 Planning Advisory Committee - Coun. Craigmile, Hainer

9.2.11 Recreation and Leisure Advisory Committee - Coun. Pridham

9.2.12 Senior Services Advisory Committee - Coun. Winter

9.2.13 St. Marys Lincolns Board - Coun. Craigmile

**9.2.14 St. Marys Cement Community Liaison Committee - Coun.
Craigmile, Winter**

9.2.15 Youth Council - Coun. Edney

10. EMERGENT OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. BY-LAWS

Resolution 2020-05-12-17

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT By-Law 44-2020 be read a first, second and third time; and be finally passed by Council, and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

**12.1 By-Law 44-2020 Authorize Agreement with McLean Taylor
Construction Ltd.**

13. UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution 2020-05-12-18

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT By-Law 45-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of May 12, 2020 regular Council meeting be read a first, second and third time; and be finally passed by Council, and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2020-05-12-19

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT this regular meeting of Council adjourn at 8:05 pm.

CARRIED

Al Strathdee, Mayor

Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk