



MINUTES Regular Council

November 24, 2020
6:00pm
Town Hall, Council Chambers

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

Staff Present: **In-Person**
Brent Kittmer, Chief Administrative Officer
Jenna McCartney, Clerk

Conference Line
Richard Anderson, Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief
Grant Brouwer, Director of Building and Development
Stephanie Ische, Director of Community Services
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works
Lisa Lawrence, Director of Human Resources
André Morin, Director of Finance / Treasurer

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 2020-11-24-01

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT the November 24, 2020 regular Council meeting agenda be accepted as presented.

4. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Public input was received from two parties prior to the meeting.

St. Marys Ringette provided the following statement.

When Council deliberates additional restrictions for the PRC tonight St. Marys Ringette would like to offer the following points for consideration:

- *When Council thinks about how best to ensure community health, safety, and wellbeing we all need to ensure that we implement public health measures to prevent the spread, but we also need to ensure there are safe activities for our young people to protect their mental wellbeing. Mental health and wellbeing is now just as important as physical wellbeing and infection control.*
- *St. Marys Ringette believes they have successfully been a leader in implementing strict protocols to ensure the safety of patrons, and believe that they have achieved that balance between protecting physical and mental health.*
- *As Council considers whether or not to limit parents/guardians in the facility, please also consider that allowing them in the facility might be the best option to contain the spread. Parents, especially rural ones, who cannot enter the facility will need to fill their time while their child is on the ice. They will likely do this by running errands in Town meaning they will come into contact with many more people than if they had simply been allowed to remain in the facility and be contained.*

Frank Doyle of St. Marys Independent provided the following two questions.

- Why don't the police issue releases for all incidences in St. Marys.
- Will the new bus service in Town have any impact on VIA.

In response to the first question, Mayor Strathdee stated the Stratford Police Service have been contacted for a response. Staff will report back to Council at a future meeting.

In response to the second question, Brent Kittmer stated that the bus service should not impact VIA, rather enhance the service opportunities.

5. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

None.

6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council - November 10, 2020

Resolution 2020-11-24-02

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the November 10, 2020 regular Council meeting minutes be approved by Council and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

6.2 Special Council - November 17, 2020

Councillor Pridham requested the following amendment be made to minute item 2020-11-17-03 wording:

***THAT** staff report back with more information on expanding to a standalone website, with cost and timeline, first to support Retail and then expanding later, in one or two years to support Tourism and Business.*

Resolution 2020-11-24-03

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the November 17, 2020 special meeting of Council minutes be approved as amended by Council and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 UTRCA re: Conservation Authority Act Changes

Resolution 2020-11-24-04

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT the correspondence from Upper Thames River Conservation Authority regarding Conservation Authority Act Changes be received; and

THAT the Town of St. Marys does not support the UTRCA's request for Minister Phillips, Minister Yurek, and Minister Yakabuski to reconsider Schedule 6 of Bill 229 regarding the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1 Administration

8.1.1 ADMIN 66-2020 November Monthly Report (Administration)

Brent Kittmer and Jenna McCartney presented ADMIN 66-2020 report.

Brent Kittmer requested that Council consider some operating direction regarding the PRC while Huron and Perth is within the Orange zone public health restrictions.

As it pertains to parent and guardian access at the Pyramid Recreation Centre for ice use, Council was of the consensus to continue status quo and permit one parent or guardian per child in the facility while the Huron Perth Public Health area's Orange zone restrictions during the pandemic.

As it pertains to facility rentals and game play at the Pyramid Recreation Centre, Council was of the consensus that organizations based outside of the Huron Perth Public Health area will not be permitted while the public health area is within the Orange zone restrictions during the pandemic.

Resolution 2020-11-24-05

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT ADMIN 66-2020 November Monthly Report (Administration) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.1.2 ADMIN 67-2020 Council Meeting Calendar for 2021

Jenna McCartney presented ADMIN 67-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-06

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT ADMIN 67-2020 Council Meeting Calendar for 2021 report be received; and

THAT Council approve the 2021 Council meeting calendar as presented.

CARRIED

8.1.3 ADMIN 68-2020 Appoint Deputy Treasurer

Jenna McCartney presented ADMIN 68-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-07

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT ADMIN 68-2020 Appoint Deputy Treasurer report be received; and

THAT Council consider By-Law 102-2020 to appoint a Deputy Treasurer for the Corporation.

CARRIED

8.2 Building and Development Services

8.2.1 DEV 80-2020 November Monthly Report (Building and Development)

Grant Brouwer presented DEV 80-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-08

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT DEV 80-2020 November Monthly Report (Building and Development) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.3 Community Services

8.3.1 DCS 26-2020 November Monthly Report (Community Services)

Stephanie Ische presented DCS 26-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-09

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT DCS 26-2020 November Monthly Report (Community Services) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.4 Corporate Services

8.4.1 COR 39-2020 October Monthly Report (Corporate Services)

André Morin presented COR 39-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-10

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT COR 39-2020 October Monthly Report (Corporate Services) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.5 Fire and Emergency Services

8.5.1 FD 11-2020 November Monthly Report (Emergency Services)

Chief Anderson presented FD 11-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-11

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT FD 11-2020 November Monthly Report (Emergency Services) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.6 Human Resources

8.6.1 HR 12-2020 November Monthly Report (Human Resources)

Lisa Lawrence presented HR 12-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-12

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT HR 12-2020 November Monthly Report (Human Resources) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.7 Public Works

8.7.1 PW 72-2020 November Monthly Report (Public Works)

Jed Kelly presented PW 72-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-13

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT PW 72-2020 November Monthly Report (Public Works) be received for information.

CARRIED

8.7.2 PW 70-2020 Source Water Protection Services – Contract Renewal

Jed Kelly presented PW 70-2020 report.

Resolution 2020-11-24-14

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT Report PW 70-2020, Source Water Protection Services – Contract Renewal be received; and

THAT Council direct staff to continue to utilize Risk Management Services from the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority to meet the Town's Clean Water Act requirements; and,

THAT staff bring back the associated agreement at a later date.

CARRIED

9. EMERGENT OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

11. BY-LAWS

Resolution 2020-11-24-15

Moved By Councillor Hainer

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT By-Law 102-2020 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

11.1 By-Law 102-2020 Appoint a Deputy Treasurer

12. UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

Council took a brief break at 7:43 pm.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 7:50 pm.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution 2020-11-24-16

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT Council move into a session that is closed to the public at 7:50 pm as authorized under the *Municipal Act*, Section 239(2)(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; and (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED

13.1 Minutes CLOSED SESSION

13.2 151 Water Street North, St. Marys LPAT Appeal Direction

14. RISE AND REPORT

Resolution 2020-11-24-17

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT Council rise from a closed session at 8:38 pm.

CARRIED

Mayor Strathdee reported that a closed session was held where one matter related to LPAT appeal direction was considered. Council will now consider a resolution regarding the matter.

14.1 Delegation of Authority

Resolution 2020-11-24-18

Moved By Councillor Hainer

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT Council delegate authority to the Chief Administrative Officer to take and to direct the taking of all steps the Chief Administrative Officer deems advisable in relation to the appeal brought by 1934733 Ontario Inc., Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Case Number PL200131, and any related proceedings, and to report to Council.

CARRIED

15. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution 2020-11-24-19

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT By-Law 103-2020, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of November 24, 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

16. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2020-11-24-20

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT this regular meeting of Council adjourns at 8:41 pm.

CARRIED

Al Stratthdee, Mayor

Jenna McCartney, Clerk