



## **MINUTES Regular Council**

January 12, 2021

6:00pm

Town Hall, Council Chambers

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

Council Absent: Councillor Luna

Staff Present: **In-Person**  
Jenna McCartney, Clerk

**Conference Line**  
Sarah Andrews, Library CEO  
Stephanie Ische, Director of Community Services  
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works  
Lisa Lawrence, Director of Human Resources  
André Morin, Director of Finance / Treasurer  
Amy Cubberley, Cultural 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 2021-01-12-01**

**Moved By** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By** Councillor Edney

**THAT** the January 12, 2021 regular Council meeting agenda be accepted as presented.

**4. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD**

Two questions were submitted in advance of the meeting by Frank Doyle of the St. Marys Independent newspaper.

1. Did any elected official travel out of the country over the holiday season?

Mayor Strathdee stated that he was not aware of any member of this Council having been out of the country during the holiday season.

2. Does the Town have the authority to define what is an essential business and impose restrictions if need be?

Mayor Strathdee stated that the regulations are defined by the Province of Ontario and the Town of St. Marys does not have the authority. The Province is providing updated guidance on what is to be deemed essential under the regulations.

Mayor Strathdee noted that there appeared to be a technical issue with the live stream to YouTube. Council took a brief recess at 6:06 pm while the problem is rectified.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 6:20 pm. Mayor Strathdee stated that the meeting is now being live streamed to the Town's YouTube channel.

**5. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**5.1 Chris West re: Community Recommendations**

Chris West presented the community recommendation delegation to Council.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-02**

**Moved By** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** the delegation from Chris West regarding community recommendations be received.

**CARRIED**

**6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**6.1 Regular Council - December 8, 2020**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-03**

**Moved By** Councillor Craigmile

**Seconded By** Councillor Winter

**THAT** the December 8, 2020 regular Council meeting minutes be approved by Council and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

**CARRIED**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

None received.

**8. STAFF REPORTS**

**8.1 Community Services**

**8.1.1 DCS 01-2021 345 Wellington Street South Heritage Designation**

Amy Cubberley presented DCS 01-2021.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-04**

**Moved By** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** DCS 01-2021 345 Wellington Street South Heritage Designation report be received; and

**THAT** Council consider By-law 02-2021 to designate the property at 345 Wellington Street South as a place of architectural and historical value in accordance with Section 29, Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**CARRIED**

**8.1.2 DCS 02-2020 Municipal Register of Non-Designated Heritage Properties Update**

Amy Cubberley presented DCS 02-2020 report.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-05**

**Moved By** Councillor Hainer

**Seconded By** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** DCS 02-2020 Municipal Register of Non-Designated Heritage Properties Update report be received; and

**THAT** Council give staff direction to move forward on the next steps to add the following properties to the Municipal Register of Non-Designated Heritage Properties:

- 524 Elgin Street West
- 99 Water Street North
- 129 Water Street North
- 100 Wellington Street North
- 145 Church Street North
- 158 King Street North
- 202 Widder Street East
- 24 Robinson Street
- 140 Emily Street
- 81 Wellington Street North
- 338 Elizabeth Street (St. Marys D.C.V.I)
- 403 Queen Street East
- 164 Wellington Street South; and

**THAT** staff provide an update report to Council on the final list of properties to be added to the Register after the public consultation portion of the process is completed.

**Amendment**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-06**

**Moved By** Councillor Hainer

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** 338 Elizabeth Street (St. Marys DCVI) be removed from the proposed list of non-designated heritage properties in resolution 2021-01-12-05.

**DEFEATED**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-05**

**Moved By** Councillor Hainer

**Seconded By** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** DCS 02-2020 Municipal Register of Non-Designated Heritage Properties Update report be received; and

**THAT** Council give staff direction to move forward on the next steps to add the following properties to the Municipal Register of Non-Designated Heritage Properties:

- 524 Elgin Street West
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- 403 Queen Street East
- 164 Wellington Street South; and

**THAT** staff provide an update report to Council on the final list of properties to be added to the Register after the public consultation portion of the process is completed.

**CARRIED**

## **8.2 Corporate Services**

### **8.2.1 COR 01-2021, 2021 Interim Tax By-Law**

André Morin presented COR 01-2021 report.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-07**

**Moved By** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** COR 01-2021 2021 Interim Tax By-law report be received;  
and

**THAT** Council consider By-law 03-2021 to authorize the collection  
of the interim property taxes for 2021.

**CARRIED**

#### **8.2.2 COR 02-2021 Temporary Borrowing By-Law**

André Morin presented COR 02-2021 report.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-08**

**Moved By** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** COR 02-2021 Temporary Borrowing By-law report be  
received; and

**THAT** Council consider By-law 04-2021 authorizing temporary  
borrowing.

**CARRIED**

### **9. COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

#### **9.1 Operational and Board Reports**

Each Councillor provided a verbal update on recent committee and board  
meetings.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-09**

**Moved By** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** agenda items 9.1.1 to 9.1.6 and 9.2.1 to 9.2.16 be received.

**CARRIED**

**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 Economic Support and Recovery Task Force - Mayor  
Strathdee, Coun. Edney**

**9.2.3 Business Improvement Area - Coun. Winter**

**9.2.4 CBHFM - Coun. Edney**

**9.2.5 Committee of Adjustment**

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

**9.2.7 Green Committee - Coun. Pridham**

**9.2.8 Heritage Advisory Committee - Coun. Pridham**

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

**9.2.10 Museum Advisory Committee - Coun. Hainer**

**9.2.11 Planning Advisory Committee - Coun. Craigmile, Hainer**

**9.2.12 Recreation and Leisure Advisory Committee - Coun. Pridham**

**9.2.13 Senior Services Advisory Committee - Coun. Winter**

**9.2.14 St. Marys Lincolns Board - Coun. Craigmile**

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

**9.2.16 Youth Council - Coun. Edney**

## **10. EMERGENT OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **11. NOTICES OF MOTION**

None.

## **12. BY-LAWS**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-10**

**Moved By** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** By-Laws 02-2021, 03-2021 and 04-2021 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 02-2021 Property Heritage Designation for 345 Wellington Street South**

**12.2 By-Law 03-2021 Interim Taxes for 2021**

**12.3 By-Law 04-2021 Temporary Borrowing for 2021**

**13. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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

Council took a brief recess at 7:12 pm.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 7:24 pm.

**14. CLOSED SESSION**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-11**

**Moved By** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** Council move into a session that is closed to the public at 7:25 pm as authorized under the *Municipal Act*, Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and Section 239(3.1)(1) educating or training the members.

**CARRIED**

**14.1 Minutes CLOSED SESSION**

**14.2 ADMIN 01-2021 CONFIDENTIAL – Committee Appointment (Green Committee)**

**14.3 HR 01-2021 CONFIDENTIAL Compensation Update**

**14.4 Verbal Update Employee Relations**



**15. RISE AND REPORT**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-12**

**Moved By** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** Council rise from a closed session at 8:28 pm.

**CARRIED**

Mayor Strathdee reported that a closed session was held with three matters being discussed. Council will consider one resolution related to committee appointments. There is nothing further to report on the other matters.

**Resolution 2021-01-12-13**

**Moved By** Councillor Craigmile

**Seconded By** Councillor Edney

**THAT** Council accept the request of Ms. Katherine Moffat to temporarily withhold her appointment to the Green Committee until such time as she either a) is no longer employed by the Town of St. Marys, or, b) chooses to permanently forfeit the appointment for the remainder of the term of Council

**CARRIED**

**16. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-14**

**Moved By** Councillor Pridham

**Seconded By** Councillor Hainer

**THAT** By-Law 05-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of January 12, 2021 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**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution 2021-01-12-15**

**Moved By** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** this regular meeting of Council adjourns at 8:32 pm.

**CARRIED**

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Al Strathdee, Mayor

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Jenna McCartney, Clerk