



MINUTES Regular Council

November 9, 2021
6:00pm
Town Hall, Council Chambers

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

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

Conference Line
Sarah Andrews, Library CEO
Grant Brouwer, Director of Building and Development
Stephanie Ische, Director of Community Services
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works
André Morin, Director of Corporate Services / 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 2021-11-09-01

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Hainer

THAT the November 9, 2021 regular Council meeting agenda be accepted as presented.

4. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Frank Doyle of St. Marys Independent provided the following questions in advance of the meeting.

1. How many Town staff members met the October 31 deadline for vaccinations, whether by actual numbers or as a percentage.
2. What will the procedure be in the future for electric vehicle charging stations? Will the Town designate certain locations, or will that be up to individual businesses to choose?

In response to the first question, Mayor Strathdee stated Town employees were compliant with the policy as of November 1, 2021.

In response to the second question, Brent Kittmer stated that at this point it is expected both public agencies and private business will fill the need for a charging station network. . The Town has partnered with the lower tiers of Perth County and the City of Stratford with the County of Perth taking the lead to work with the County of Dufferin and the City of Guelph, County of Huron, County of Bruce and County of Gray. The municipalities are submitting a joint application to FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) for a broad regional network of EV charging stations. There are large corporate entities recommending to their local business to install their own EV charging stations.

5. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

5.1 Family Services Perth Huron re: Community Developer and Support Worker Project 6-month Report

Ryan Erb of United Way Perth Huron and Kate Aarssen of Family Services Perth Huron provided an overview of the Community Developer and Support Worker project.

Cody Cunningham, Community Developer and Support Worker, reviewed the 6-month report of the project and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2021-11-09-02

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the presentation from Family Services Perth Huron regarding the Community Developer and Support Worker project 6-month report be received.

CARRIED

6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council - September 14, 2021

Resolution 2021-11-09-03

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the September 14, 2021 regular Council meeting amended minutes be approved by Council and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

6.2 Regular Council - October 26, 2021

Resolution 2021-11-09-04

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Winter

THAT the October 26, 2021 regular Council meeting minutes be approved by Council and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 St Marys Cement re: Notice of Intent to Apply (O. Reg. 79/15)

Resolution 2021-11-09-05

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT the correspondence from St. Marys Cement regarding a notice of intent to apply under Ontario Regulation 79/15 be received.

CARRIED

7.2 St. Marys Minor Hockey Association re: Council Liaison

Councillor Luna nominated Councillor Craigmile.

Councillor Craigmile accepted the nomination.

Resolution 2021-11-09-06

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the correspondence from St. Marys Minor Hockey Association regarding a request to appoint a Council liaison to work with the St. Marys Minor Hockey Association Board be received; and

THAT Council appoint Councillor Craigmile as the Town of St. Marys Council Liaison to work with the St. Marys Minor Hockey Association Board.

CARRIED

7.3 George Harrod re: Action Requested Related to Snowmobile Use

Resolution 2021-11-09-07

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the correspondence from George Harrod regarding a request for action related to snowmobiles be received; and

THAT Council supports the following recommendation from the Community Policing Advisory Committee on the matter:

THAT Council directs staff to work with the Stratford Police Service to create an enforcement plan in St. Marys for snowmobiles with a report back to Council no later than January 2022.

CARRIED

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1 Administration

8.1.1 ADMIN 48-2021 Council Meeting Calendar for 2022

Resolution 2021-11-09-08

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT ADMIN 48-2021 Council Meeting Calendar for 2022 report be received; and

THAT Council approve the 2022 Council meeting calendar as presented.

CARRIED

8.2 Building and Development Services

8.2.1 DEV 49-2021 Part Lot Control Applications (Thames Crest Farms)

Resolution 2021-11-09-09

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT DEV 49-2021 regarding the Applications for Part Lot Control for Blocks 47, 49, 55 and 56 of the Thames Crest Farms subdivision be received;

THAT Council approve By-law 92-2021 affecting Block 47, Registered Plan No. 44M-79 for a one-year period, ending November 9, 2022;

THAT Council approve By-law 93-2021 affecting Block 49, Registered Plan No. 44M-79 for a one-year period, ending November 9, 2022;

THAT Council approve By-law 94-2021 affecting Block 55, Registered Plan No. 44M-79 for a one-year period, ending November 9, 2022; and,

THAT Council approve By-law 95-2021 affecting Block 56, Registered Plan No. 44M-79 for a one-year period, ending November 9, 2022.

CARRIED

8.3 Community Services

8.3.1 DCS 36-2021 Reopening Plan

Resolution 2021-11-09-10

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT DCS 36-2021 Reopening Plan report be received; and

THAT Council directs staff to revise the community services and corporate services reopening plan to shift reopening timelines forward where possible in an effort to restore services, in compliance with current public health restrictions.

CARRIED

8.4 Public Works

8.4.1 PW 76-2021 Forestry Management Policies Summary

Resolution 2021-11-09-11

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT PW 76-2021 Forestry Management Policies Summary report be received; and

THAT Council accepts the following recommendations from the Green Committee related to forestry management for both public and private properties:

- Develop education campaigns related to forestry management for both public and private properties;
- Develop subsidized tree programs for private property;
- Amend the Forestry Management Plan's "Appendix E: Tree Planting Locations" to consider existing residential areas with a reduced amount of shading;
- Amend Section 2.3 of the Town's Forestry Management Plan to include more robust language regarding the circumstances under which trees can be removed on public property; and
- Staff report back on an amount to be input to the 2022 draft budget for a subsidized tree program; and

THAT Council request the Green Committee to investigate and report back on the initiatives as recommended;

CARRIED

8.4.2 PW 77-2021 Consideration of a Vision Zero Approach in St. Marys be received

Resolution 2021-11-09-12

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT PW 77-2021 Consideration of a Vision Zero Approach in St. Marys report be received; and

THAT Council accepts the recommendation from the Community Policing Advisory Committee and direct staff to develop a transportation network safety plan to address apparent safety issues; and,

THAT Council continue to monitor the status of Bill 185, *Vision Zero Strategy Act*, 2020.

CARRIED

9. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

9.1 Operational and Board Reports

Each Councillor provided an update regarding recent meetings of Committees and Boards.

Resolution 2021-11-09-13

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

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. Pridham**
- 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**

Resolution 2021-11-09-14

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Pridham

THAT Council hold a statutory Public Meeting for the planning application related to 17 Peel Street South on November 23, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

CARRIED

- 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 2021-11-09-15

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT By-Laws 92-2021, 93-2021, 94-2021 and 95-2021 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 92-2021 Part Lot Control Exemption Block 47 44M-79 (Teahen)

12.2 By-Law 93-2021 Part Lot Control Exemption Block 49 44M-79 (Teahen)

12.3 By-Law 94-2021 Part Lot Control Exemption Block 55 44M-79 (RW Homes)

12.4 By-Law 95-2021 Part Lot Control Exemption Block 56 44M-79 (Otten)

13. UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

Council took a brief break at 8:59 pm.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 9:11pm.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution 2021-11-09-16

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT Council move into a session that is closed to the public at 9:11 pm as authorized under the *Municipal Act*, Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, (d) labour relations or employee negotiations, and (f) advice that is subject to solicitor - client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED

14.1 Minutes CLOSED SESSION

14.2 CAO Verbal Update re: Employee Relations

15. RISE AND REPORT

Resolution 2021-11-09-17

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT Council rise from a closed session at 9:29 pm.

CARRIED

Mayor Strathdee reported that a closed session was held related to employee matters. There is nothing further to report at this time.

16. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution 2021-11-09-18

Moved By Councillor Pridham

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT By-Law 96-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of November 9, 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 2021-11-09-19

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT this regular meeting of Council adjourns at 9:30 pm.

CARRIED

Al Strathdee, Mayor

Jenna McCartney, Clerk