MINUTES

for the

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

December 12, 2023
9:00 a.m.
Carling Council Chambers
2 West Carling Bay Road, Nobel, Ontario

Attendance

Council Members Present
Deputy Mayor Cook
Councillor Doubrough
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Wing

Staff Present
Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk
Mackenzie Taylor, Records Clerk / Deputy Clerk
Sylvia Roy, Treasurer
Chris Waefler, Public Works Manager

Regrets
Mayor Murphy

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

(1) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Doubrough requested for an item to be added under section 9. New and Unfinished Business to discuss the EMS Advisory Committee. The Treasurer added a report for item 9(1) RFP Results – General Liability and Property Insurance.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATION

(1) MUNICIPAL CONTRIBUTION REQUEST -PARRY SOUND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE –CHRIS MCDONALD

Chris McDonald gave an overview of the Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce discussing their work and their achievements. They made a request for municipal contribution to support their work in the West Parry Sound area.

(2) PARRY SOUND PUBLIC LIBRARY YEARLY REPORT - SELENA MARTENS, ROLA FRASER AND TOM LUNDY

Selena Martens, Rola Fraser and Tom Lundy made a presentation to Council highlighting the Parry Sound Public Libraries achievements for the 2023 year.

(3) PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE - GEORGIAN NORDIC OURDOOR ACTIVITY CENTRE – GREG MASON

Greg Mason from the Georgian Nordic Outdoor Activity Centre made a presentation to Council highlighting the organizations programs and their activities. He discussed their "Planning for the Future" campaign and made a request for municipal contribution over three years.

Break 9:41 a.m. – 9:52 a.m.

4. PUBLIC MEETING

None

5. CONSENT AGENDA

23-062 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Kelly

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that consent Agenda Items 5(1) through 5(7) inclusive being *(1)Minutes of Previous Meetings,(2)Minutes and Reports from External Boards / Committees, (3)Council Correspondence, (4)Staff Reports, (5)Committee of the Whole Motions, (6)Request for Support and (7)Supplementary Business* be adopted,.

Carried

(1) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a. Regular Meeting of Council

23-062.1a

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 14th, 2023 be adopted.

Carried

b. Committee of the Whole Meeting

23-062.1b

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on November 28th, 2023 be adopted.

Carried

(2) MINUTES AND REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL BOARDS / COMMITTEES

23-062.2

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council receives the Minutes and Reports from external Boards and Committees for the previous month's meetings.

* *See Carling Township website for link of Minutes and Reports of all external boards and committees*

Carried

(3) COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

23-062.3

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council notes and files the December Council Correspondence listing.

Carried

(4) STAFF REPORTS

None

(5) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MOTIONS

a. Phragmites Control

23-062.5a

Moved by Councillor Wing
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council gives staff permission to work with the West Carling Association to erect phragmites information signs at the water access points.

Carried

b. West Parry Sound Economic Development Collaborative

23-062.5b

Moved by Councillor Kelly
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

WHEREAS Carling Township recognizes the benefit of having an Economic Development Officer responsible for leading, coordinating and developing activities and initiatives that will attract investment, business opportunities and tourism development to West Parry Sound, including the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park and develop and lead a business retention and expansion program that will increase employment and business growth;

AND WHEREAS the seven municipalities within West Parry Sound joined in 2017 in establishing the West Parry Sound Economic Development Collaborative (the Collaborative) to drive collaborative economic development in the area;

AND WHEREAS since its inception, the Collaborative has been predominately funded through FedNor's Community Investment Initiative for Northern Ontario (CIINO) program;

AND WHEREAS the funding extended to the Collaborative came to an end in November 2023;

AND WHEREAS the seven West Parry Sound municipalities must now look at ways to grow and become sustainable using a self-funded model;

AND WHEREAS it is understood that having all seven municipalities working together is best for the entire area;

AND WHEREAS it would be detrimental to the area if this collaborate approach ceased to exist;

AND WHEREAS there is a strong need for this type of area collaborative to assist with business attraction and retention, sustainable employment with the attraction of high skilled labour and environmentally friendly business development;

AND WHEREAS the Collaborative has indicated that there are sufficient funds in an amount of approximately $19,000 available to undertake a Strategic Plan process to determine a long-term vision,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Township of Carling hereby supports the continuation of a collaborative approach to economic development in the West Parry Sound area, pending the implementation of a Strategic Planning process to establish a long-term vision for the provision of efficient and effective economic development services.

Carried

c. Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

23-062.5c

Moved by Councillor Kelly
Seconded by Councillor Wing

WHEREAS the Police Service Act, 1990 was amended to include new requirements for the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;

AND WEHREAS all municipalities across Ontario were instructed to develop and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan in partnership with stakeholders and groups that are active in delivering services within their community;

AND WHEREAS complex social problems cannot be addressed by police services alone and that local service providers, working in areas such as health, mental health, education, community service, social service, children services and youth services play an integral role;

AND WHEREAS, too often, information and service silos are created which limit response effectiveness, providing an inadequate service that does not take full advantage of resources;

AND WHEREAS an advisory committee was formed in the West Parry Sound area that included various agencies and community organizations to understand the issues that residents of the West Parry Sound area are facing with regards to safety and wellbeing;

AND WHEREAS the committee developed a West Parry Sound Area Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, a multi-sector approach to community safety and wellbeing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of the Council for the Township of Carling adopt the West Parry Sound Area Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

Carried

d. 2024 Council Meeting Dates

23-062.5d

Moved by Councillor Doubrough
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council adopt the 2024 Council Meeting dates as amended.

Carried

e. Closed Session

23-062.5e1

Moved by Councillor Wing
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council move into a CLOSED SESSION at 11:44 a.m., pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, for reasons pertaining to identifiable individuals in relations to a by-law matter

Carried

23-062.5e2

Moved by Councillor Doubrough
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council move out of a CLOSED SESSION at 12:50 p.m.

Carried

23-062.5e3

Moved by Councillor Wing
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Whole on behalf of Council authorizes staff to proceed as directed in closed session.

Carried

(6)REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

a. "Catch and Release" Justice

23-062.6a

WHEREAS Council received correspondence from the Town of Midland respecting catch and release justice:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of Carling endorses this resolution from the Town of Midland and circulates the resolution to relevant stakeholders.

Carried

b. "Canada Pacific Railway

23-062.6b

WHEREAS Council received correspondence from the Township of the Archipelago respecting the fire risk posed by railway tie piling practices of Canada Pacific Railway.

AND WHEREAS the Township of Carling share the same concerns of endangerment of public safety, property damage and environmental harm associated with the accumulation of railway ties;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of Carling endorses this resolution from the Township of The Archipelago;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be sent to CP Rail, Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO); Rural Ontario Municipal Association; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF); MP Scott Aitchison, the Canadian Transportation Agency, and the Minister of Transport.

(7) SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS

None

6. PLANNING FILES

None

7. BY- LAWS

(1) CONSENT B24 /2023

2023-32 **Moved by Councillor Wing**
Seconded by Councillor Kelly

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize the Corporation of the Township of Carling to enter into a consent agreement with Sanda Leblanc and Robert Leblanc.

Carried

(2) DILLON COVE LICENSE AGREEMENT

2023-33 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize a Licence Agreement with Dillon Cove Marina.

Carried

(3) INTERIM TAX BY-LAW

2023-34 **Moved by Councillor Wing**
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

BEING A BY-LAW to provide for an Interim Tax Levy, the payment of taxes and to provide for penalty and interest of 1-1/4 percent for the year 2024.

Carried

(4) BORROWING BY-LAW

2023-35 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to authorize borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.

Carried

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Councillor Doubrough reported on the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park Board, The West Parry Sound Recreation and Culture Centre and the Community Policing Advisory Committee.

Council Wing reported on the West Parry Sound District Museum and the Belvedere Heights Board.

Councillor Kelly reported on the West Parry Sound Veterinary Unit and the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park Board.

The Deputy Mayor reported on the Parry Sound Area Planning Board and on the West Parry Sound Economic Development Collaborative.

9. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(1) RFP RESULTS – GENERAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY INSURANCE

23-063 **Moved by Councillor Kelly**
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct the CAO to award the contract as per the Procurement By-law.

Carried

(2) EMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

23-064 **Moved by Councillor Kelly**
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct staff to bring back statistics and an update from the EMS Advisory Committee.

Carried

Break 11:03 a.m. – 11:14 a.m.

10. CLOSED

23-065 **Moved by Councillor Wing**
Seconded by Councillor Kelly

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move into a CLOSED SESSION at 11:15 a.m., pursuant to Section 239(2)(k) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended for a matter pertaining to negotiations involving a board .

Carried

23-066 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council move out of a CLOSED SESSION at 12:48 p.m.

Carried

In closed session Council discussed the management of the water and waste water at the Industrial Park.

23-067 **Moved by Councillor Wing**
Seconded by Councillor Kelly

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of Carling is willing to operate the water and wastewater at the Parry Sound Area Industrial Park (PSAIP) for the annual fee of $240,000 under the same contract terms that the Municipality of McDougall has done for the past number of years.

AND FURTHER that Carling will ensure that it employs qualified licenced Overall Responsible Operator (ORO) and qualified Operators in Charge (OICs).

Carried

11. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

2023-36 **Moved by Councillor Doubrough**
Seconded by Councillor Wing

BEING A BY-LAW to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 12, 2023.

Carried

12. ADJOURNMENT

23-068 **Moved by Councillor Wing**
Seconded by Councillor Doubrough

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Carried

Lisa Cook, Deputy Mayor

Kevin McLlwain, CAO/Clerk