The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Minutes

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday, April 9, 2024
Open Session Commencing at 1:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
City Hall
26 Francis Street, Lindsay, Ontario K9V 5R8

Members:

Mayor Doug Elmslie
Deputy Mayor Charlie McDonald
Councillor Ron Ashmore
Councillor Dan Joyce
Councillor Mike Perry
Councillor Tracy Richardson
Councillor Eric Smeaton
Councillor Pat Warren
Councillor Emmett Yeo

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1. Call to Order

Mayor Elmslie called the Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Deputy Mayor T. Richardson and Councillors R. Ashmore, D. Joyce, C. McDonald, M. Perry, E. Smeaton, P. Warren and E. Yeo were in attendance in Council Chambers.

CAO R. Taylor, City Clerk C. Ritchie, Deputy Clerk S. O'Connell, Directors L. Barrie, S. Beukeboom, C. Faber, B. Robinson, J. Rojas, C. Shanks, Fire Chief T. Jones, Paramedic Chief S. Johnston, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing A. Sloan and Manager of Technical Services M. Farqhuar were also in attendance in Council Chambers.

City Solicitor R. Carlson, Manager of Human Services M. Corley and Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning E. Turner were in attendance electronically.

2. Adoption of Agenda

CW2024-080

Moved By Councillor Richardson **Seconded By** Councillor Warren

That the Agenda for the Committee of the Whole of Tuesday, April 9, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

4. Announcement

Autism Awareness Day

Deputy Mayor McDonald recognized that April is Autism Awareness Month and acknowledged the impact that autism has on our community. We appreciate the effort of the local organizations, including the Kawartha Lakes Autism Support Group, who provide education and services that foster an understanding to children, families and others that are affected by Autism.

Autism, we see you and we stand with you.

5. Presentations

5.1 COW2024-04.5.1

Bee Hero Awards Presentation

Councillor Warren, Council Representative, City of Kawartha Lakes Environmental Advisory Committee

Councillor Warren offered congratulations to the 2023 Bee Hero Award Recipients, being:

- Natasha Lazaroff
- Donna Bisschop
- Lisa Hart
- Leah MacLaren
- Lesley Armstrong-Braun
- Astrid Hood
- · Harold Lenters; and
- BGC Kawarthas

All of the recipients were thanked for all of their efforts to support pollinator habitats.

CW2024-081

Moved By Councillor Smeaton **Seconded By** Councillor Perry

That the presentation by Councillor Warren, regarding the 2023 Bee Hero Awards, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

6. Deputations

6.1 COW2024-04.6.1

Natural Gas Expansion in Bobcaygeon

Moya Beall

David Rapaport

Moya Beall spoke in opposition to the natural gas expansion project in Bobcaygeon and encouraged Council to reconsider the support that has been

provided to the expansion project. She also recommended that, as a compliment to the Healthy Environment Plan, Council support the use of heat-pump technology as an alternative to natural gas.

CW2024-082

Moved By Councillor Warren
Seconded By Deputy Mayor McDonald

That the deputation of Moya Beall and David Rapaport, regarding the Natural Gas Expansion in Bobcaygeon, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

6.2 COW2024-04.6.2

Ontario Energy Board Decision to Remove the Subsidy Relating to Fossil Fuel Infrastructure for New Development

Gabriella Kalapos, Clean Air Partnership

Gabriella Kalapos, of the Clean Air Partnership, spoke to the decision from the Ontario Energy Board regarding the removal of the subsidy for fossil fuel infrastructure for new development. She outlined that new developments are an opportunity to move away from fossil fuel infrastructure and noted that developers should consider alternative heating methods.

CW2024-083

Moved By Councillor Perry
Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That the deputation of Gabriella Kalapos, of the Clean Air Partnership, regarding the Ontario Energy Board Decision to Remove the Subsidy relating to Fossil Fuel Infrastructure for New Development, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

6.3 COW2024-04.6.3

Economic and Emission Benefits of the Use of Heat Pumps over Gas and Other Fueled Heating Systems

Heather McDiarmid

Heather McDiarmid spoke to the economic and emission benefits that are associated with low carbon heating options. She noted that many climate action plans conclude that heat pumps are the preferred heating option for the future. She spoke in opposition to the natural gas expansion project in Bobcaygeon.

CW2024-084

Moved By Councillor Warren
Seconded By Councillor Smeaton

That the deputation of Heather McDiarmid, regarding the Economic and Emission Benefits of the Use of Heat Pumps Over Gas and Other Fueled Heating Systems, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

6.4 COW2024-04.6.4

Request for License Agreement for a Parking Encroachment on the City-Owned Road Allowance Known as Snug Harbour Road

Brian Reel

Brian Reel provided an overview of the request that he submitted to the Land Management Team for a License Agreement for a parking encroachment on Snug Harbour Road. He outlined that he accesses his property by a service road adjacent to Snug Harbour Road. The license agreement that he has requested would allow him to construct a parking area adjacent to Snug Harbour Road; the parking area would be similar to other structures in the area.

CW2024-085

Moved By Councillor Ashmore **Seconded By** Councillor Yeo

That the deputation of Brian Reel, regarding a Request for a License Agreement for a Parking Encroachment on the City-Owned Road Allowance Known as Snug Harbour Road, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Request to Allow a Pet Pig Under the By-Law to Regulate Animals in the City of Kawartha Lakes

Holly Darling

Holly Darling requested an exception to the By-Law to Regulate Animals in the City of Kawartha Lakes to allow her seven (7) year old pet pig George to remain on her property. She noted that they would like George to remain a part of their family and his enclosure will be improved to prevent him from running at large.

CW2024-086

Moved By Councillor Richardson Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That the deputation of Holy Darling, regarding a Request to Allow a Pet Pig Under the By-Law to Regulate Animals in the City of Kawartha Lakes, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

6.6 COW2024-04.6.6

Low Income Senior Tax Rebate

Lynn Craig

Lynn Craig provided an overview of the property tax rebate for low income seniors and noted that the rebate has been at the current rate of \$175.00 since 2017. She recommended that Council increase the rebate significantly and then review the rebate on an annual basis to determine if the amount is appropriate.

CW2024-087

Moved By Councillor Joyce **Seconded By** Councillor Ashmore

That the deputation of Lynn Craig, regarding the Low Income Senior Tax Rebate, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

The Meeting recessed at 2:19 p.m. and reconvened at 2:24 p.m.

7. Correspondence

7.1 COW2024-04.7.1

Short Term Rental Licensing Program

Randy Burke

CW2024-088

Moved By Councillor Warren

Seconded By Councillor Perry

That the correspondence from Randy Burke, regarding the Short Term Rental Licensing Program, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting

Carried

8. Presentations

8.1 COW2024-04.8.1

Fenelon Falls Powerlinks Committee Update Presentation

Chris Handley

Chris Appleton

Chris Handley and Chris Appleton provided an update on the Fenelon Falls Powerlinks Committee. They noted that the Committee has been reviewing the construction of a proposed pedestrian bridge which would provide access over the river in Fenelon Falls. The proposed pedestrian bridge would also provide a docking location for individuals visiting Fenelon Falls by boat. They requested continued support from Council so the plans for the proposed pedestrian bridge can be finalized.

CW2024-089

Moved By Councillor Perry

Seconded By Councillor Warren

That the presentation by Chris Handley and Chris Appleton, regarding the Fenelon Falls Powerlinks Committee Update, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

8.2 COW2024-04.8.2

Kawartha Art Gallery Business Case Presentation

Susan Taylor

Susan Taylor and Tim Crouch provided an overview of the Kawartha Art Gallery. They provided an overview of the programming that is currently offered at the Gallery and noted that the Gallery is quickly outgrowing its current space at the Lindsay Branch of the Kawartha Lakes Public Library. They noted that continued financial support from the City, being an additional \$150,000.00 in 2024/2025, 2025/2026 and 2026/2027, would allow the Gallery to consider moving to a new stand alone location on Cambridge Street in Lindsay.

CW2024-090

Moved By Councillor Richardson **Seconded By** Deputy Mayor McDonald

That the presentation by Susan Taylor, regarding the Kawartha Art Gallery Business Case, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

Item 8.5 was moved up on the Agenda to fulfill the timed appointment.

8.5 COW2024-04.6.7

Concerns Relating to Climate Change and an Expression of Support for the Healthy Environment Plan - Timed Appointment 3:00 p.m.

Aden Addison, I.E. Weldon Secondary School Evelyn Pascoe, I.E. Weldon Secondary School

Aden Addison and Evelyn Pascoe spoke on behalf of the Green Advocates Team at I.E. Weldon Secondary School. They expressed concern relating to climate change and encouraged Council to continue their support for the City of Kawartha Lakes Healthy Environment Plan as a way to mitigate the affect of climate change in the local area.

CW2024-091

Moved By Councillor Warren
Seconded By Councillor Smeaton

That the presentation by Aden Addison and Evelyn Pascoe, of I.E. Weldon Secondary School, regarding Concerns Relating to Climate Change and an Expression of Support for the Healthy Environment Plan, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

The Meeting recessed at 3:11 p.m. and reconvened at 3:25 p.m.

8.3 COW2024-04.8.3

Short Term Rental Licensing Program Update

Aaron Sloan, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing

Aaron Sloan, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing, provided an update on the Short Term Rental Licensing Program. It was noted that the Licensing Program has been implemented and Staff are processing applications. Staff are also continuing to investigate complaints relating to short term rental properties. Manager Sloan reviewed the staffing resources that have been dedicated to the Short Term Rental Licensing Program and noted that a further update will be provided to Council later in 2024.

CW2024-092

Moved By Deputy Mayor McDonald **Seconded By** Councillor Yeo

That the presentation by Aaron Sloan, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing, regarding the Short Term Rental Licensing Program Update, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

8.4 COW2024-04.8.4

2024 Life Cycle Extension Program Presentation

Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services

Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services, provided an overview of the 2024 Life Cycle Extension Program. The Program uses maintenance methods to sustain road segments in a reasonable state until a future capital project has

been implemented. The overview included a review of the identified work for 2024, as outlined within Report ENG2024-008.

CW2024-093

Moved By Councillor Smeaton **Seconded By** Councillor Perry

That the presentation by Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services, regarding the 2024 Life Cycle Extension Program, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

8.4.1 Report ENG2024-008

2024 Life Cycle Extension Program

Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services

CW2024-094

Moved By Councillor Perry
Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That Report ENG2024-008, **2024 Life Cycle Extension Program**, be received; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9. Consent Matters

Moved By Councillor Warren **Seconded By** Councillor Yeo

That all of the proposed recommendations shown in Section 9.1 of the Agenda, save and except for Items 9.1.1, 9.1.3. 9.1.8, 9.1.9, 9.1.11 and 9.1.14, be approved by the Committee of the Whole in the order that they appear on the Agenda, sequentially numbered and forwarded to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1 Reports

9.1.2 RA2024-002

Archival Services Policies

Angela Fornelli, Manager of Corporate Records and Archival Services

CW2024-095

That Report RA2024-002, Archival Services Policies, be received;

That the policy entitled **Archival Preservation Policy**, attached as Appendix A, be adopted and numbered for inclusion in the City's Policy Manual;

That the policy entitled Corporate Art Collection and Management Policy, attached as Appendix B, be adopted and numbered for inclusion in the City's Policy Manual;

That the policy entitled **Archival Exhibition Policy**, attached as Appendix C, be adopted and numbered for inclusion on the City's Policy Manual; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.4 CS2024-004

Release of Fenelon Falls CHEST Funds

LeAnn Donnelly, Executive Assistant, Community Services

CW2024-096

That Report CS2024-004, Release of Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Funds, be received;

That the Grove Theatre be approved for funding in the amount of \$6,000.00 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350);

That the Fenelon Falls & District Chamber of Commerce be approved for funding in the amount of \$6,000.00 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350); and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

9.1.5 BP2024-002

Lindsay City Hall Generator-Request for Additional Funding Christopher Lyons, Facility Project Delivery Coordinator

CW2024-097

That Report BP2024-002, Lindsay City Hall Generator-Request for Additional Funding, be received;

That Building and Property be granted approval for a Capital Construction Project in 2024 for the replacement of the existing City Hall diesel emergency backup generator;

That a new capital project be created in 2024 and the additional expenditure of \$465,000.00 be funded from the uncommitted portion of the Capital Contingency Reserve (account 1.32248);

That the department be authorized to proceed with a design submission to Procurement to obtain a Contractor for the supply and install of the new emergency backup generator, and the issuance of a Purchase Order to the low bid Contractor to facilitate a 2025 install; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.6 PR2024-002

50/50 Community Project Capital Fund

Courtney Boyd, Community Development Coordinator

CW2024-098

That Report PR2024-002, **50/50 Community Project Capital Fund**, be received for information only; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

9.1.7 PR2024-003

Community Partnership and Development Fund

Courtney Boyd, Community Development Coordinator

CW2024-099

That Report PR2024-003, Community Partnership and Development Fund, be received for information only; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.10 ED2024-014

Proposed Heritage Designation of 35 Bolton Street, Village of Bobcaygeon (Bank of British North America)

Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-100

That Report ED2024-014, Proposed Heritage Designation of 35 Bolton Street, Village of Bobcaygeon (Bank of British North America), be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 35 Bolton Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest be endorsed;

That staff be authorized to proceed with the process to designate the subject properties under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, including the preparation and circulation of Notices of Intention to Designate, and preparation of the designating by-laws; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.12 ED2024-016

Proposed Heritage Designation of 97 King Street, Village of Woodville Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-101

That Report ED2024-016, Proposed Heritage Designation of 97 King Street, Village of Woodville, be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 97 King Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest be endorsed;

That staff be authorized to proceed with the process to designate the subject properties under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, including the preparation and circulation of Notices of Intention to Designate, and preparation of the designating by-laws; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.13 ED2024-017

Proposed Heritage Designation of 34-36 King Street East, Village of Omemee (McPherson's General Store)

Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-102

That Report ED2024-017, Proposed Heritage Designation of 34-36 King Street East, Village of Omemee (McPherson's General Store), be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 34-36 King Street East under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest be endorsed;

That staff be authorized to proceed with the process to designate the subject properties under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, including the preparation and circulation of Notices of Intention to Designate, and preparation of the designating by-laws; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

9.1.15 HS2024-002

Neighbourhood Housing in Lindsay Request to Amalgamate Michelle Corley, Human Services Manager, Housing

CW2024-103

That Report HS2024-002, Neighbourhood Housing in Lindsay Request to Amalgamate, be received;

That Council, in its capacity as Service Manager under the Housing Services Act, 2011 and pursuant to Council Policy CP2021-024 – Housing Service Manager Delegated Authority, delegate to the Human Services Manager, Housing, the authority to provide consent pursuant to section 166(5) of the Housing Services Act, 2011 for housing projects designated under the Housing Services Act to support an amalgamation of a designated housing project;

That the Human Services Manager, Housing, provides written consent to Neighbourhood Housing in Lindsay to permit the requested amalgamation, subject to the amalgamating corporations providing all legal documentation evidencing the terms upon which the amalgamation is intended to proceed to the City, in form and content satisfactory to the Human Services Manager, Housing, and as advised by external legal counsel;

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any new or revised documents and agreements, resulting from the requested amalgamation; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.2 Items Extracted from Consent

9.1.1 ML2024-003

Downtown Parking Strategy Report

Aaron Sloan, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing

CW2024-104

Moved By Deputy Mayor McDonald **Seconded By** Councillor Richardson

That Report ML2024-003, **Downtown Parking Strategy Report**, be received;; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.3 CORP2024-007

2024 Tax Policy Decisions

Linda Liotti, Manager, Revenue and Taxation

CW2024-105

Moved By Councillor Joyce

Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That Report CORP2024-007, 2024 Tax Policy Decisions, be received;

That optional property classes for the 2024 tax year are not adopted;

That the tax rate reduction for vacant and excess land in the commercial and industrial class be set as 30% and 35% respectively for 2024;

That the tax rate reduction for First Class Undeveloped Farm Land be set at 45% for 2024;

That Council approve the 2024 tax ratios as outlined in Appendix A to report CORP2024-007;

That the Eligible Amount for the Low Income, Senior and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief be \$300.00; and

That these recommendations be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.8 PR2024-005

Omemee Splash Pad Feasibility Review

Craig Shanks, Director of Community Services

CW2024-106

Moved By Councillor Ashmore

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That Report PR2024-005, Omemee Splash Pad Feasibility Review, be received, and;

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

The Meeting recessed at 5:11 p.m. and reconvened at 5:20 p.m. Deputy Mayor McDonald assumed the role of Chair. Mayor Elmslie departed at 5:11 p.m.

9.1.9 CEM2024-002

Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board

Craig Shanks, Director of Community Services

CW2024-107

Moved By Councillor Perry
Seconded By Councillor Warren

That Report CEM2024-002, Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board, be received;

That the management and maintenance of the Fenelon Falls Cemetery be administered by the Kawartha Lakes Cemetery Board effective July 1st, 2024;

That the Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board be dissolved, and the existing Fenelon Falls Cemetery Board members be thanked for their service and contribution to the City of Kawartha Lakes; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.11 ED2024-015

Proposed Heritage Designation of 49 King Street East, Village of Bobcaygeon (Bobcaygeon Schoolhouse)

Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-108

Moved By Councillor Warren
Seconded By Councillor Smeaton

That Report ED2024-015, Proposed Heritage Designation of 49 King Street East, Village of Bobcaygeon (Bobcaygeon Schoolhouse), be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 49 King Street East under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest be endorsed:

That staff be authorized to proceed with the process to designate the subject properties under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, including the preparation and circulation of Notices of Intention to Designate, and preparation of the designating by-laws; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

9.1.14 RD2024-004

Entrance to PLAN 105, Part Block R, RP57R-2151, Being Part 1 (Stata) Chris Porter, Manager, Road Operations East

CW2024-109

Moved By Councillor Warren **Seconded By** Councillor Perry

That Report RD2024-004, Access to PLAN 105 PT BLK R RP 57R2151 - PART 1 Stata, be received;

That Staff proceed with Alternative Access 3, as outlined within Report RD2024-004; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

10. New or Other Business

10.1 COW2024-04.10.1

Memorandum Regarding a Request for Electric Vehicle Management PlanCouncillor Warren

CW2024-110

Moved By Councillor Warren **Seconded By** Councillor Perry

That the Memorandum from Councillor Warren regarding, Request for Electric Vehicle Management Plan, be received;

That an Electric Vehicle Strategy and Management Plan be developed; and

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That this recommendation be forwarded to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

11. Adjournment

CW2024-111
Moved By Councillor Yeo
Seconded By Councillor Perry

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourn at 5:42 p.m.

	Carried
Doug Elmslie, Mayor	Cathie Ritchie, City Clerk