

# **The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes**

## **Minutes**

### **Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**COW2019-08**

**Tuesday, July 16, 2019**

**Open Session Commencing at 10:00 a.m.**

**Council Chambers**

**City Hall**

**26 Francis Street, Lindsay, Ontario K9V 5R8**

#### **Members:**

**Mayor Andy Letham**

**Deputy Mayor Doug Elmslie**

**Councillor Ron Ashmore**

**Councillor Pat Dunn**

**Councillor Patrick O'Reilly**

**Councillor Tracy Richardson**

**Councillor Kathleen Seymour-Fagan**

**Councillor Andrew Veale**

**Councillor Emmett Yeo**

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**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Letham called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Deputy Mayor D. Elmslie and Councillors R. Ashmore, P. Dunn, P. O'Reilly, T. Richardson, K. Seymour-Fagan, A. Veale and E. Yeo were in attendance.

CAO R. Taylor, City Clerk C. Ritchie, Deputy Clerk A. Rooth, City Solicitor R. Carlson and Directors C. Marshall, B. Robinson, J. Rojas, C. Shanks, J. Stover and R. Sutherland were also in attendance.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**CW2019-147**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Elmslie

**Seconded By** Councillor Veale

**That** the Agenda for the Open Session of the Committee of the Whole of Tuesday, July 16, 2019, be adopted as circulated and with the following amendments:

**Additions - Deputations**

Item 4.2

**Mandatory Connection By-law**

Chad McGinty

(Item 6.1 on the Agenda)

Item 4.4

**Seasonal Level of Service Policy**

Ellery Butula

(Item 6.3 on the Agenda)

**Carried**

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

**4. Deputations**

4.1 COW2019-08.4.1

**Mandatory Connection By-law**

Troy Karkoulas

(Item 6.1 on the Agenda)

Troy Karkoulas explained that residents should not be required to pay for services they do not want, use or need. He advised that he does not receive the benefits identified such as reduced insurance costs and enhanced fire fighting services. He expressed concerns regarding property values, excessive costs and an infringement on the resident's right to choose. Mr. Karkoulas advised that the costs of these systems should be borne by the growing tax base and he requested that the Mandatory Connection By-law be rescinded.

**CW2019-148**

**Moved By** Councillor Veale

**Seconded By** Councillor Dunn

**That** the deputation of Troy Karkoulas, regarding the **Mandatory Connection By-law**, Item 6.1 on the Agenda, be received.

**Carried**

4.2 COW2019-08.4.2

**Mandatory Connection By-law**

Chad McGinty

(Item 6.1 on the Agenda)

Chad McGinty advised that he understood the requirement to connect to municipal infrastructure systems for new builds, noting that it does not make sense for existing homes with established independent systems. He expressed concern regarding impact on property values, feasibility of connection, excessive costs and an infringement on the resident's right to choose.

**CW2019-149**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Elmslie

**Seconded By** Councillor Dunn

**That** the deputation of Chad McGinty, regarding the **Mandatory Connection By-law**, Item 6.1 on the Agenda, be received.

**Carried**

4.3 COW2019-08.4.3

**Service on Seasonal Roads**

Jim Armstrong  
(Item 6.3 on the Agenda)

Mr. Armstrong was not in attendance at the meeting.

4.4 COW2019-08.4.4

**Seasonal Level of Service Policy**

Ellery Butula  
(Item 6.3 on the Agenda)

Ellery Butula, President of the Head Lake North Shore Road Association, expressed concern regarding conflicting information on whether snowplowing would be continued on the road, noting that they have been corresponding with the City and elected officials since 2016 regarding this matter. He requested clarification on whether the intent is to continue the limited service agreement with the association and the services provided.

**CW2019-150**

**Moved By** Councillor Yeo

**Seconded By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**That** the deputation of Ellery Butula, regarding the **Seasonal Level of Service Policy**, Item 6.3 on the Agenda, be received.

**Carried**

5. **Correspondence**

**6. Presentations and Reports**

6.1 COW2019-08.6.1

**Mandatory Connection By-law Presentation**

Bryan Robinson, Director of Public Works

Amber Hayter, Supervisor, Water and Wastewater

Director B. Robinson delivered a presentation to Council on the Mandatory Connection By-law.

**CW2019-151**

**Moved By** Councillor O'Reilly

**Seconded By** Councillor Ashmore

**That** the presentation by Director B. Robinson regarding the **Mandatory Connection By-law**, be received.

**Carried**

6.1.1 Report WWW2019-010

**Review of Mandatory Connection By-law 2014-255**

Amber Hayter, Supervisor Water and Wastewater Operations

**CW2019-152**

**Moved By** Councillor Dunn

**Seconded By** Councillor Yeo

**That** Report WWW2019-010, **Review of Mandatory Connection By-law 2014-255**, be received;

**That** staff be directed to report back in September 2019 with options for amending the Mandatory Connection By-law to provide relief from mandatory connections for the 134 properties not currently connected to municipal services, up to and including complete exemption from the by-law; and

**That** this recommendation be brought forward for consideration at the July 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.

**Carried**

6.2 COW2019-08.6.2

**High Water Bill Adjustment Policy Presentation**

Jennifer Stover, Director of Corporate Services

Director J. Stover delivered a presentation to Council on the High Water Bill Adjustment Policy.

**CW2019-153**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** Councillor O'Reilly

**That** the presentation by Director J. Stover regarding the **High Water Bill Adjustment Policy**, be received.

**Carried**

6.2.1 COW2019-08.6.2.1

**High Water Bill Adjustment Policy Review**

Jennifer Stover, Director of Corporate Services

**CW2019-154**

**Moved By** Councillor Dunn

**Seconded By** Councillor O'Reilly

**That** the High Water Bill Adjustment Policy Review, be received; and

**That** the suggested revisions to the policy from slides 10 and 11 of the July 16, 2019 Presentation by Director Stover on the High Water Bill Adjustment Policy be brought forward to Council in September 2019, namely:

**Section 8.0 - Obvious or Hidden Leaks**

Suggested Revisions:

- Adjustments only be considered for instances where high consumption results from a circumstance beyond the property owner's control
- All Property Types will be considered
- Written notification within 30 days of bill date
- Maximum period adjusted – one billing cycle (3 months)

**Section 12.0 - Unexplained Sudden Large Increase**

Suggested to Remove this section

**Section 14.0 - Adjustment Cap**

Suggested Revisions:

- Limit adjustment for all property types to a maximum of \$1,500

And;

**That** this recommendation be brought forward for consideration at the July 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.

**Carried**

6.3 COW2019-08.6.3

**Seasonal Level of Service Policy Presentation**

Bryan Robinson, Director of Public Works

Director B. Robinson delivered a presentation to Council on the Seasonal Level of Service Policy.

**CW2019-155**

**Moved By** Councillor Yeo

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Elmslie

**That** the presentation by Director B. Robinson regarding the **Seasonal Level of Service Policy Presentation**, be received.

**Carried**

6.3.1 Report RD2019-004

**Seasonal Level of Service Policy Review**

Bryan Robinson, Director of Public Works

**CW2019-156**

**Moved By** Councillor Yeo

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Elmslie

**That** Report RD2019-004, **Seasonal Level of Service Policy Review**, be received;

**That** winter maintenance to Fulsom Crescent and Mink Alley be supplied until such time as the full report on the Roads Maintenance Database comes back to Council; and

**That** this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the July 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.

**Carried**

- 7. **Closed Session**
- 8. **Matters from Closed Session**
- 9. **Adjournment**

**CW2019-157**

**Moved By** Councillor Yeo

**Seconded By** Councillor Dunn

**That** the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourn at 11:45 a.m.

**Carried**

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Andy Letham, Mayor

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Cathie Ritchie, City Clerk