

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes
Minutes
Committee of the Whole Meeting

COW2024-02

Tuesday, February 6, 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 C. McDonald and Councillors R. Ashmore, D. Joyce, C. M. Perry, T. Richardson, 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, C. Shanks, Paramedic Chief S. Johnston, Manager of Technical Services M. Farquhar and Manager of Customer Service S. Babcock were also in attendance in Council Chambers.

City Solicitor R. Carlson, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing S. Sloan and Manager of Corporate Assets A. Found were in attendance electronically.

2. Adoption of Agenda

CW2024-021

Moved By Councillor Perry

Seconded By Councillor Smeaton

That the Agenda for the Committee of the Whole of Tuesday, February 6, 2024, be adopted as circulated and with the following amendments:

Addition:

Item 5.1 Correspondence from Gene Balfour regarding Energy Security (relating to Item 4.4 on the Agenda)

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

4. Deputations

4.1 COW2024-02.4.1

Dock Spaces within Dunsford

Doug Hellowell

Doug Hellowell spoke to the City's dock licensing program and requested that all dock areas be subject to the same fee structure (the docks within Thurstonia have a reduced 2023 fee). He requested that dock licensing fees be frozen for

twenty (20) years, questioned when the vacant dock spaces within Thurstonia will be allocated to area residents and asked how the fees within the dock licensing program are used by the City. Mr. Hellowell also raised concerns relating to snow removal in Thurstonia and how it is affecting the lakefront.

CW2024-022

Moved By Councillor Warren

Seconded By Deputy Mayor McDonald

That the deputation of Doug Hellowell, **regarding Dock Spaces in Dunsford**, be received; and

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

Carried

CW2024-023

Moved By Councillor Ashmore

Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That all dock licensing fees be frozen at the current rate for the balance of the current term of Council; and

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

Carried

4.2 COW2024-02.4.2

Request for an Entrance Permit

Frank Arnold

Anke Arnold

Frank and Anke Arnold provided an overview of their property at 0 Harvest Road in Dunsford. They outlined that the property was purchased to build a home and when they applied for a building permit it was discovered that the portion of the road adjacent to their property is not part of the assumed road. They outlined that a building permit could not be issued until they have access to the assumed road. They requested assistance from the City to resolve the access issue.

CW2024-024

Moved By Councillor Perry

Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That the deputation of Frank Arnold and Anke Arnold, **regarding a Request for an Entrance Permit**, be received;

That Staff engage with Frank Arnold and Anke Arnold to outline the solutions that are available to resolve the entrance permit issue; and

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

Carried

4.3 COW2024-02.4.3

Request to Purchase the Portion of Road Allowance along the South and West Sides of 7 Thomas Street, Pontypool

James Cochrane

Amanda Wilson

James Cochrane and Amanda Wilson provided an overview of their request to purchase the unopened road allowance that bordered their property. Their request was denied by the Land Management Team and they asked for that decision to be reconsidered. It was noted that if their request cannot be granted at this time, they asked to have first right of refusal should the City be able to sell the unopened road allowance in the future.

CW2024-025

Moved By Councillor Richardson

Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That the deputation of James Cochrane and Amanda Wilson, **regarding a Request to Purchase the Portion of Road Allowance along the South and West Sides of 7 Thomas Street, Pontypool**, be received; and

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

Carried

4.4 COW2024-02.4.4

Energy Security

Gene Balfour

Gene Balfour spoke to energy security and asked Council not to support policies that jeopardize energy security. Mr. Balfour provided an overview of the correspondence that was submitted to complement his deputation.

CW2024-026

Moved By Councillor Joyce

Seconded By Councillor Smeaton

That the deputation of Gene Balfour, **regarding Energy Security**, be received; and

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

Carried

4.5 COW2024-02.4.5

Concerns Relating to Foreign Interference with Municipal Government

Joan Abernethy

Joan Abernethy spoke to the threat to the integrity of municipal government by foreign entities. She outlined that foreign interference networks are active throughout Canada and they are intent on undermining the democratic process. She encouraged Council to champion freedom, human rights and democracy.

CW2024-027

Moved By Councillor Smeaton

Seconded By Councillor Joyce

That the deputation of Joan Abernethy, **regarding Foreign Interference with Municipal Government**, be received; and

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

Carried

4.6 COW2024-02.4.6

Snow Removal

Sherry McKelvey

Sherry McKelvey outlined concerns relating to snow removal within her area. She provided an overview of the issues that she has encountered relating to the snow removal in her area. She was asked her to continue to contact the City when issues arise so they can be tracked by Staff.

CW2024-028

Moved By Councillor Richardson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor McDonald

That the deputation of Sherry McKelvey, **regarding Snow Removal**, be received; and

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

Carried

The Meeting recessed at 2:51 p.m. and reconvened at 3:01 p.m.

5. **Correspondence**

5.1 COW2024-02.5.1

Energy Security

(relating to Item 4.4 on the Agenda)

Gene Balfour

CW2024-029

Moved By Councillor Richardson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor McDonald

That the correspondence from Gene Balfour, **regarding Energy Security**, be received; and

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

Carried

6. Presentations

6.1 COW2024-02.6.1

**Update on the Status of the Low Volume Gravel Roads Program
Presentation**

Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services ECA

Michael Farquhar provided an update on the status of the Low Volume Gravel Roads Program. The updated included a history on the Program which was initiated to identify small low volume gravel roads within built up areas, hamlets, villages and towns that were candidates for conversion to a hard topped surface. Council received an overview of the funds that are available for use within the Program and how those funds could be used to continue the Program in 2024.

CW2024-030

Moved By Councillor Smeaton

Seconded By Councillor Warren

That the presentation by Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services, **regarding an Update on the Status of the Low Volume Gravel Roads Program**, be received; and

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

Carried

6.1.1 Report ENG2024-001

Update on the Status of the Low Volume Gravel Roads Program

Michael Farquhar, Manager of Technical Services ECA

CW2024-031

Moved By Councillor Smeaton

Seconded By Councillor Perry

That Report ENG2024-001, **Update on the Status of the Low Volume Gravel Roads Program**, be received; and

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

Carried

7. Consent Matters

The following items were extracted from Consent:

Councillor Richardson Item 7.1.1

Deputy Mayor McDonald Item 7.1.6

Moved By Councillor Yeo

Seconded By Councillor Joyce

That all of the proposed recommendations shown in Section 7.1 of the Agenda be approved by the Committee of the Whole in the order that they appear on the agenda, save and except for Items 7.1.1 and 7.1.6, sequentially numbered and forwarded to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

7.1 Reports

7.1.2 CS2024-002

Release of Fenelon Falls C.H.E.S.T. Funds

Leann Donnelly, Executive Assistant, Community Services

CW2024-032

That Report CS2024-002, **Release of Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Funds**, be received;

That the Fenelon Falls Turkey Trot 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 Kawartha Lakes Community Co-operative on behalf of the Fenelon Arts Committee be approved for funding in the amount of \$6,220.00 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350);

That the Fenelon Falls Grannies be approved for funding in the amount of \$1,000.00 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.

Carried

7.1.3 ED2024-003

Proposed Heritage Designation of 479 Eldon Road, Geographic Township of Mariposa (Little Britain Public and Continuation School)

Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-033

That Report ED2024-003, **Proposed Heritage Designation of 479 Eldon Road, Geographic Township of Mariposa (Little Britain Public and Continuation School)**, be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 479 Eldon Road 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

7.1.4 ED2024-004

Proposed Heritage Designation of 13-17 King Street East, Village of Omeme (Grandy Block)

Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-034

That Report ED2024-004, **Proposed Heritage Designation of 13-17 King Street East, Village of Omeme (Grandy Block)**, be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 13-17 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

7.1.5 ED2024-005

Proposed Heritage Designation of 31-37 King Street East, Village of Omemee (Ivory and Williamson Block)

Emily Turner, Economic Development Officer - Heritage Planning

CW2024-035

That Report ED2024-005, **Proposed Heritage Designation of 31-37 King Street East, Village of Omemee (Ivory and Williamson Block)**, be received;

That the Municipal Heritage Committee's recommendation to designate 31-37 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

7.2 Items Extracted from Consent

7.1.1 CS2024-001

Customer Experience Strategy

Steve Babcock, Manager, Customer Service

CW2024-036

That Report CS2024-001, **Customer Experience Strategy**, be received; and

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

Carried

7.1.6 ML2024-001

Backyard Chicken Coops Pilot Project

Aaron Sloan, Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing

CW2024-037

That Report ML2024-001, **Backyard Chicken Coops Pilot Project**, be received;

That Section 3.00 of By-Law 2021-072, being a By-Law to Regulate Animals in the City of Kawartha Lakes, be amended, as outlined within Appendix C to Report ML2024-001;

That By-Law 2018-234, being the Consolidated Fees By-Law, be amended to remove the licensing fee for coop registration and inspection;

That the necessary By-Laws be brought forward to Council for consideration; and

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

Carried

8. Memorandums

9. Adjournment

CW2024-038

Moved By Councillor Warren

Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourn at 4:03 p.m.

Carried

Doug Elmslie, Mayor

Cathie Ritchie, City Clerk