



**MINUTES OF**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 2, 2020**  
**CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**60 EAST MAIN STREET**

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 5:01 p.m. and in open session at 6:09 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

**Members Present Electronically:**

Councillors J. Chiochio, T. DiMarco, B. Fokkens, B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi, J. Larouche, D. McLeod, A. Moote, G. Speck, L. Spinosa, C. Richard and L. Van Vliet.

**Members of Staff and Others Present:**

Chief Administrative Officer, G. Long

City Clerk, T. Stephens

Chief, Fire & Emergency Services, B. Kennedy (electronically)

General Manager, Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, S. Zorbas

General Manager, Infrastructure and Development Services, T. Fitzpatrick

General Manager, Economic Development & Recreation & Culture, D. Degazio

**2020 - 166****20-25**

Moved by Van Vliet and Richard

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 5:051p.m. to consider:

- proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
  - *Property matters.*

**CARRIED****2020 - 167****20-25**

Moved by McLeod and Speck

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:07 p.m. without report.

**CARRIED****THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE ADDED:****20-4**

Report FIN-2020-08: 2020 Debenture Request.

**20-4**

A By-law to authorize application to the Regional Municipality of Niagara for the issue of debentures for year 2020.

**2020 - 168****20-1**

Moved by McLeod and Spinosa

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Special Council Meetings of May 19 and 26, 2020 and Regular Council Meeting of May 19, 2020, as circulated.

**CARRIED****2020 - 169****02-160**

Moved by Van Vliet and Speck

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2020-14: Amendment to the Code of Conduct for Members of Council (HUM-001-0031), and further THAT Welland City Council approves the amendment to Code of Conduct for Members of Council (HUM-001-0031).

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**The Special Council Meeting recessed and called the Regular Council Meeting to order.**

**2020 - 170****99-90****20-10**

Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND amends the term of Councillor Chiocchio's appointment to the Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area to May 19, 2020 to November 14, 2022, or until another successor has been appointed.

**(Councillor Spinosa disclosed an interest in this matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion and refrained from voting thereon, as his business does business with and is a member of the Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area).**

**CARRIED**

**2020 - 171****02-160** Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet (in block)

THAT Council, in seeking to protect the public interest and encourage high ethical standards among the Members, hereby:

1. Reprimands Councillor DiMarco for bullying Councillor Moote, during a break in Council's meeting of December 17, 2019; and
2. Requests that Councillor DiMarco apologize to Councillor Moote, Council as a whole; and further Reminds Councillor DiMarco that Members of Council must conduct themselves with decorum during meetings of Council and warns Councillor DiMarco that any future findings of bullying or intimidating behaviour by him will not be tolerated and will be subject to sanctions of the highest possible order.

**CARRIED****2020 - 172****10-130** Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from Niagara Regional Housing (NRH) dated May 15, 2020 regarding the NRH 2020 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report.

**CARRIED****2020 - 173****20-4** Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests that the Regional Municipality of Niagara issue debentures in the amount of \$5,217,000 in accordance with the terms of the various authorizing By-laws outlined in Appendix I to Report FIN-2020-08 dated June 2, 2020; and further

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs the Chief Financial Officer to obtain financing options through Infrastructure Ontario or through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for Fire Hall #1 in the amount of \$5,500,000 in accordance with the terms of the authorizing By-law outlined in Appendix I to Report FIN-2020-08 dated June 2, 2020; and further

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs the Chief Financial Officer to make available certified copies of all applicable By-laws and Ministry of Environment Certificates if applicable and all other information required in connection thereto to ensure the issue of the debentures in the amount of \$10,717,000 for the projects described in Appendix I; and further

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs the City Clerk to prepare all the necessary and appropriate By-laws for debenture financing agreements.

**CARRIED****2020 - 174****20-64** Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated May 20, 2020 regarding COVID-19 Personal Facial Masks.

**CARRIED****2020 - 175****20-64** Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated May 20, 2020 regarding Support of the Medical Staff Association of Niagara Health and the Medical Academies of Lincoln, Niagara and Welland - Ministry of Health Billing Codes for the Provision of Virtual Care - COVID 19.

**CARRIED**

**BY-LAWS**

Moved by Grimaldi and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-law, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

**20-1**

BYL 2020 - 56

A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2020.

**CARRIED**

Council adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**



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**2020 - 174**

**02-160**

Moved by Van Vliet and Speck

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**02-160**

Moved by Fokkens and Speck

THAT Welland City Council "make it the same as the Municipal Act".

**YEAS:** Councillors Speck, DiMarco and Fokkens.

**NAYS:** Councillors Larouche, Green, Chiocchio, McLeod, Richard, Grimaldi, Spinosa, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**LOST**

**FOLLOWING THE LOST VOTE TO THE AMENDING MOTION, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND .....**

**YEAS:** Councillors Larouche, Green, McLeod, Grimaldi, Spinosa, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Councillors Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard and Fokkens.

**CARRIED**

**2020 - 175**

**02-160**

Moved by Green and Grimaldi

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the staff Report CLK-2020-15: Amendments to the Procedural By-law 2017-6.

**CARRIED**

**2020 - 175**

**02-160**

Moved by Green and Grimaldi

THAT Welland City Council approves the amendment regarding "electronic delegations"; and further THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary By-laws amendments.

**YEAS:** Councillors Larouche, Green, Speck, McLeod, DiMarco, Richard, Grimaldi, Spinosa, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Councillors Chiocchio.

**CARRIED**

**2020 - 175**

**02-160**

THAT WELLAND CITY COUNCIL approves the amendment regarding "suspending the rules".

**YEAS:** Councillors Larouche, Green, Speck, McLeod, Grimaldi, Spinosa, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Councillors Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard and Fokkens.

**CARRIED**

**2020 - 176****18-36**

Moved by DiMarco and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the offer to purchase 2.6 acres of land on Downs Drive in our new River Road and Downs Drive Industrial Park; and

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare all the necessary documentation and by-laws relative to the transfer; and further

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute all the necessary documents relative to the transfer; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to deposit the revenues from the sale of these lands into the Economic Development Reserve Fund.

**CARRIED****2020 - 177****20-13**

Moved by McLeod and Spinosa

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives Report TRANS-2020-07: Temporary Transit Service Reductions Update.

**YEAS:** Councillors Larouche, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, McLeod, Richard, Grimaldi, Spinosa, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** Councillor DiMarco.

**CARRIED****2020 - 178****20-64**

Moved by Speck and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY WELLAND directs staff to report back on how we can temporarily allow outdoor serving space and patios for restaurants to maintain social distancing between tables during the reopening phases post pandemic.

**YEAS:** Councillors Larouche, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, McLeod, DiMarco, Richard, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**NAYS:** None.

**(Councillor Spinosa disclosed an interest in this matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion and refrained from voting thereon, he business could benefit or be negatively affected by it's outcome).**

**CARRIED****BY-LAWS**

Moved by Van Vliet and Larouche

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-laws, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

**18-36**

BYL 2020 - 57

A By-law to authorize acceptance of an offer from CDC Developments Inc. for sale of vacant land on Downs Drive (River Road and Downs Drive Industrial Park).

**02-160**

BYL 2020 - 58

A By-law to amend Procedural By-law 2017-6. Ref. No. 02-160.

**20-4**

BYL 2020 - 59

A By-law to authorize application to the Regional Municipality of Niagara for the issue of debentures for year 2020.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Grimaldi and Mootie

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-law, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

**20-1**

BYL 2020 - 60

A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2020.

**CARRIED**

Council adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**