



**MINUTES OF THE
FEBRUARY 7, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING
CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
60 EAST MAIN STREET**

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:35 p.m. and in open session at 7:07 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors J. Chiochio, T. DiMarco, B. Fokkens, B. Green, MA. Grimaldi, J. Lee, D. McLeod, A. Moote, C. Richard, S. Setaram, G. Speck, and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Acting Chief Administrative Officer, G. Munday
City Clerk, T. Stephens
Director of Finance/CFO/Treasurer, S. Fairweather
Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart
Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar
Director of Community Services, R. Axiak
Policy Planning Supervisor, N. Aiello (until 7:15 p.m.)
Manager of Budgets & Financial Reporting/Deputy Treasurer, E. Pankoff (until 7:07 p.m.)
Capital & Payables Manager, A. Vuksan Scott (7:13 p.m. – 10:04 p.m.)
Revenue Services Manager, M. Lostracco (7:13 p.m. – 10:04 p.m.)
Solicitor, T. Hanrahan (present in Committee-of-the-Whole)

2023 - 43

23-25 Moved by Van Vliet and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 7:42 p.m. to consider:

- litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board
 - Cannabis Zoning By-law Amendment Appeal.

CARRIED

2023 - 44

23-25 Moved by McLeod and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:06 p.m. without report.

CARRIED

PRESENTATION:

22-152 Nicolas Aiello, Policy Planning Supervisor addressed Council regarding Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022.

AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REPORT(S)

22-4 Councillor Fokkens Chair, Budget Review Committee provided a verbal report on the Budget Review Committee meetings of January 17, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 30, 2023.

2023 - 45

23-1 Moved by Green and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 20, 2022 (as amended) and December 20, 2022 and Special Council Meeting of December 8 and 13, 2022 and January 25, 2023, as circulated.

CARRIED

2023 - 46

02-160 Moved by DiMarco and Richard

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the motion to waive the rules to allow for items 9.1, 9.2, 9.3 (Notices of Motion) to be moved up in the order of the agenda.

**LOST
(2/3 MAJORITY REQUIRED)**

2023 - 47

02-160 Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2022-05: Suggested Recommendations to Procedural By-law 2017-6; and

THAT Welland City Council approves Items _____ to be incorporated in the updates to the Procedural By-law.

THAT the updated Procedural By-law be presented at a future Council Meeting for Council consideration.

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2023 - 48

02-160 Moved by DiMarco and Moote

THAT Welland City Council refer Report CLK-2022-05 to the next council meeting.

LOST

2023 - 49

02-160

Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT Welland City Council include Notices of Motion on Special Council meeting agendas.

CARRIED

2023 - 50

02-160

Moved by Fokkens and Setaram

THAT the updated Procedural By-law be presented at a Council Meeting for Council consideration no later than April 18, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 51

02-160

Moved by Lee and Green

THAT Schedule B of the Procedural By-law be updated to include "Land Acknowledgement".

CARRIED

2023 - 52

02-160

Moved by Chiocchio and Green

THAT an item for "Councillor Upcoming Activities Report" be included in Schedule B, Order of Business, of the Procedural By-law and that a definition outlining the purpose of these reports be identified as outlined below:

Councillor Upcoming Activities Report is to promote events within the City of Welland. The order for councillors to present will be determined by the order in the queue. Members of Council cannot report an event, if it has been previously mentioned by a Councillor at the same meeting.

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Councillor Chiocchio pulled motion above from the table for discussion.

Suspended conversation due to curfew. To be brought to the February 21, 2023 Council Meeting.

2023 - 53

16-122

Moved by McLeod and Moote (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated January 25, 2023 regarding the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative - Freshwater Health Campaign.

CARRIED

2023 - 54

20-97

Moved by Fokkens and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the land transfer from 555 Canal Bank Developments GP Inc.; and further

THAT Council directs staff to prepare the necessary by-law and documents to execute the land transfer and transfer of easement; and further

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to sign all necessary documents to execute the land transfer and transfer of easement.

CARRIED

2023 - 55

22-152

Moved by DiMarco and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Nicolas Aiello, Policy Planning Supervisor regarding Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022.

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THAT Welland City Council refers the presentation regarding Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 to a future Special or Council Meeting.

CARRIED

2023 - 56**23-3**

Moved by McLeod and Moote (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the application for lottery licensing for Hungarian Self Culture Society of Welland, Community Support Services of Niagara and Horse Cents for Kids.

CARRIED**2023 - 57****23-4**

Moved by Fokkens and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the verbal report by Councillor Fokkens, Chair, Budget Review Committee, regarding its meetings of January 17, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 30, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 58****23-4**

Moved by Green and Fokkens

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the Temporary Borrowing By-law report FIN-2023-02 for information.

CARRIED**2023 - 59****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentations made by the Deputy Treasurer and Departmental staff regarding the proposed 2023 Budgets as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 17, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 60****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the results of the Budget Review Committee exercise performed during the November 28 Budget Review Committee meeting as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 17, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 61****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the memorandum from Welland Heritage Council & Multicultural Centre dated December 31, 2022 as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 62****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the Permissive Grant Policy dated July 21, 2020 as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 63****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Foyer Richelieu Welland regarding their 2023 grant request as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 64****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves and recommends to Council for final approval, that Welland Public Library be given a grant in the amount of \$2, 423, 184 for 2023 as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 65**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves and recommends to Council for final approval, that Welland Historical Museum be given a grant in the amount of \$292,719 for 2023. as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in a matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his company supplies to Pathstone Foundation, Welland Museum and The Hope Centre with printed apparel).

CARRIED**2023 - 66****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Youngs Sportsplex 2023 budget as presented, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 67****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentations made by Rose City Kids; Niagara Safety Village; Open Arms Mission; City of Welland Heritage Advisory Committee; Welland Floatfest Festival; Welland Rose Festival; The Hope Centre; Pathstone Foundation; Faith Welland Outreach; Community Food Drive; Welland Zombie Walk and Big Brothers Big Sisters at the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 23, 2023.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in a matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his company supplies to Pathstone Foundation, Welland Museum and The Hope Centre with printed apparel).

CARRIED**2023 - 68****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation and approves that Rose City Kids be given a grant in the amount of \$ 5,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 69****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation and approves that Niagara Safety Village be given a grant in the amount of \$6,000 for 2023. as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 70****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation and approves that Open Arms Mission be given a grant in the amount of \$45,000 for 2023 as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 71****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation by the City of Welland Heritage Advisory Committee and approves that the City of Welland Heritage Advisory Committee be given a grant in the amount of \$17, 501 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 72**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation by Welland Floatfest Festival and approves that Welland Floatfest Festival be given a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 73****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation by Welland Rose Festival and approves that Welland Rose Festival be given a grant in the amount of \$70,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 74****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation by The Hope Centre and approves that The Hope Centre be given a grant in the amount of \$65,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in a matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his company supplies to Pathstone Foundation, Welland Museum and The Hope Centre with printed apparel).

CARRIED**2023 - 75****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation by Pathstone Foundation and approves that Pathstone Foundation be given a grant in the amount of \$20,000, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in a matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his company supplies to Pathstone Foundation, Welland Museum and The Hope Centre with printed apparel).

CARRIED**2023 - 76****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the presentation by Faith Welland Outreach and approves that Faith Welland Outreach be given a grant in the amount of \$25,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 77****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Royal Canadian Legion be given a permissive grant in the amount the of \$0 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 78****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Welland FoodFest be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$15,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 79**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Women's Place of Southern Niagara be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$10,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 80****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Holy Trinity Anglican Church be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$45,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 81****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that JA of Southwestern Ontario be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$339 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 82****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Port Colborne Marine Auxiliary Rescue be given a permissive grant in the amount of \$0 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 83****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Welland Zombie Walk be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$2,500 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 84****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Femmes Du Feu Creation be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$2,535 for 2023. as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 85****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Niagara Folk Arts Festival/Folk Arts Multicultural Centre be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$1,483 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 86****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Welland Creatives Network be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$2,500 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 87**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Niagara SPCA and Humane Society be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$3,378 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 88****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Big Brothers Big Sisters South Central Niagara be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$2,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 89****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND denies the request from Empower Grp of Holdings Corp. for a Permissive Grant in 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 90****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND denies the request from Greater Niagara Disc Golf Association for a Permissive Grant in 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 91****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND denies the request from Grouping of Haitian Organizations of Community actions with High Added Value for a Permissive Grant in 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 92****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND denies the request from Community Food Drives for a Permissive Grant in 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 93****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that La Boite a Soleil be given a permissive grant in the amount of \$3,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 94****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves that Autism Ontario be given a permissive grant in the amount the amount of \$3,000 for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 95**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the Traffic and Parking Fee Increases for 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 96****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the Fleet Capital 10 Year Forecast Memorandum, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 97****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives the revised information regarding the 2023 Tax Supported Operating Budget Update Memorandum, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 98****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the proposed 2024 Decision Units - Tax Supported Memorandum, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 24, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 99****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives and accepts the proposed 2023 Tax Supported Operating Budget with the addition of Permissive Grants, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 25, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 100****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the proposed 2023 Tax Supported Operating Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 101****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves to defer Decision Unit #1 - Council Remuneration to 2024, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 102****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4e - 8 Probationary Firefighters, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 103**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit #2 - Temporarily Increase City Self-Imposed Debt Limit - Capital Project Funding from 13% to 14.5% deferring debt servicing costs of \$717,750 to 2025, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 104****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND direct staff to move capital projects on page 16, transfer these projects with same dollar amount into the Capital Budget, and transfer that equal financial amount from capital budgets to decision units in the amount of \$3,455,000, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 105****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND will receive for information for the debenture list and when it expires and the percentage in Q2 of 2023, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 106****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 3 - Winter Trail Clearing Expansion Program, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 107****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4 a,b,c. - Building Inspector, Senior Plans Examiner, and Building Services Technician, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 108****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4e1 - Additional Safety Equipment for (8) Probationary Firefighters, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 109****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4f - Parks Expansion-Maintenance Staff, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 110****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4f1 - Additional Capital Equipment, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 - 111**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4g - Scheduling Clerk, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 112****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 4h - Executive Assistant to the Director of Community Services & Director of Infrastructure Services/City Engineer, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 113****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 5c - Rose City Kids additional funding, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 114****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 5d - Foundation Fonds Foyer Richelieu for the amount of \$50,000 over 4 years, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 115****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Decision Unit 5e - Welland Museum, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in a matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, as his company supplies to Pathstone Foundation, Welland Museum and The Hope Centre with printed apparel).

CARRIED**2023 - 116****23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the proposed 2023 Tax Supported Capital Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 117****23-4****23-19**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves to move Decorative Fencing project at Woodlawn Cemetery to the 2023 Capital Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED**2023 - 118****23-4****23-46**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND removes from the Capital Budget the request of a new utility van from the Capital Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 119

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND removes the request for Portable HEPA Air Purifiers from the Capital Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 26, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 120

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the proposed 2024-2032 Tax Supported Capital Budget Forecast with the removal of \$25,000 for Decorative Fencing at Woodlawn Cemetery, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 30, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 121

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the 2023 Solution Based Option #3 - Decision Units (self-imposed debt limit increase from 9% to 11%) and Fixed Costs to 31%, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 30, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 122

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the 2023 Water and Wastewater Operating Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 30, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 123

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the proposed 2023 Water and Wastewater Capital Budget, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 30, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 123

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the proposed 2024-2032 Water and Wastewater Capital Budget Forecast, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee at its meeting of January 30, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 124

23-4 Moved by Chiocchio and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee, the following:

- The 2023 Operating Budget, attached to Report FIN-2023-03 as Appendix I, resulting in an approximate Municipal tax levy decrease of 3.05% (including assessment growth of 2.74%) from \$47,832,769 in 2022 to \$46,373,330 in 2023.; and
- The 2023 Capital Budget attached as Appendix II; and further

THAT Welland City Council receives for information the 2024-2032 Capital Budget Forecast attached as Appendix III; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the By-law to establish tax rates, and to levy taxes for 2023 based on tax ratio established by the Region of Niagara on the 2023 Operating Budget as adopted by Council.

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2023 – 125**23-4**

Moved by Chiocchio and DiMarco

THAT Welland City Council approves Community Food Drives for a \$2,500.00 Permissive Grant in 2023.

YEAS: Councillors Lee, Chiocchio, DiMarco, and Richard.**NAYS:** Councillors Green, McLeod, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.**LOST****2023 – 126****23-4**

Moved by DiMarco and

THAT Welland City Council remove Decision Units 6, 7 and 8.

NOT PUT**2023 – 127****23-4**

Moved by DiMarco and Speck

THAT Welland City Council remove # 11 Facilities Scheduling Clerk.

LOST**2023 – 128****23-4**

Moved by Richard and Chiocchio

THAT Welland City Council increase the Welland Rose Festival Legacy Grant to \$90,000.

YEAS: Councillors Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, Setaram and Fokkens.**NAYS:** Councillors Lee, Green, Speck, McLeod, Grimaldi, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.**LOST****2023 – 129****23-4**

Moved by Richard and Chiocchio

THAT Welland City Council increase the Welland Rose Festival Legacy Grant to \$80,000.

YEAS: Councillors Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, Setaram and Fokkens.**NAYS:** Councillors Lee, Green, McLeod, Grimaldi, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.**LOST****2023 – 130****23-4**

Moved by DiMarco and

THAT Welland City Council remove Decision Units 14 and 15.

NOT PUT**2023 – 131****23-4**

Moved by DiMarco and Chiocchio

THAT Welland City Council remove New 2nd Floor Cubicles and Office Furniture.**LOST****2023 – 132****23-4**

Moved by DiMarco and Green

THAT Welland City Council move Quaker Road Urbanization Phase 1 (sidewalks) to 2023 in the 9 year Forecast.

LOST

2023 – 133

23-4 Moved by DiMarco and Green
THAT Welland City Council add a Network Administrator to the 2023 Budget.

YEAS: Councillors Lee, McLeod, Setaram, Moote and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Councillors Green, Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, Grimaldi, Fokkens, and Van Vliet.

LOST

2023 – 134

23-4 Moved by McLeod and
THAT Welland City Council remove from Capital Budget – new utility van.

NOT PUT

2023 – 135

23-4 Moved by McLeod and Moote
THAT Welland City Council approves Foyer Richelieu for \$100,000.00 for the next four (4) years.

YEAS: Councillors Speck, McLeod, Moote and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Councillors Lee, Green, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, Grimaldi, Setaram, Fokkens, and Van Vliet.

LOST

2023 – 136

23-4 Moved by Green and Setaram
THAT Welland City Council move Quaker Road Urbanization Phase 1 (sidewalks) to 2024 in the 9 year Forecast.

CARRIED

FOLLOWING THE VOTES TO AMEND, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT AS AMENDED AND

CARRIED

(Councillors Speck, McLeod, Moote and DiMarco asked to be recorded as opposed to the motion).

2023-137

23-4 Moved by Van Vliet and Fokkens
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves, as recommended by the Budget Review Committee, the following:

- The 2023 Water and Wastewater Operating Budget (Appendix I)
- The 2023 Water and Wastewater Rate Structure (Appendix II); and further
- The 2023 Water and Wastewater Capital Budget (Appendix III); and further

THAT Welland City Council receives for information the 2024-2032 Water & Wastewater Capital Budget Forecast (Appendix IV); and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to prepare the necessary By-law to establish the 2023 Water and Wastewater billing rates effective April 1, 2023; and further

THAT Welland City Council approve the annual rebate for the low-income senior water/wastewater rebate program to increase from \$372 to \$420 effective January 1, 2023; and further

THAT Welland City Council approve the annual rebate for the Special Assistance Program to increase from \$600 to \$648 effective January 1, 2023.

CARRIED

2023 – 138

23-4 Moved by McLeod and
THAT Welland City Council support Option #1 for the 2023 proposed water rate.

NOT PUT

2023 - 139**23-15**

Moved by Green and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Councillors Van Vliet and Green to the Emergency Management Program Committee for the term of February 7, 2023 to November 14, 2026.

CARRIED**2023 - 140****23-35**

Moved by McLeod and Moote (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appoints Councillor Speck to the Welland/Pelham Chamber of Commerce for term of February 7, 2023 to November 14, 2026.

CARRIED**2023 - 141****23-36**

Moved by Setaram and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves and accepts the tender from Peters Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$4,545,561.00 (plus HST) being the lowest bid received for the West Main Street Area Infrastructure Improvements – Phase 1 project; and

THAT Council authorizes the direct appointment of Kerry T. Howe Engineering Limited in the amount of \$208,000.00 (plus HST) for construction administration and inspection services for the West Main Street Area Infrastructure Improvements – Phase 1 project; and

THAT Council directs staff to enter into a Cost Share Agreement with the Regional Municipality of Niagara for the West Main Street Area Infrastructure Improvements – Phase 1 project; and

THAT Council approves the allocation of funding as outlined in this report; and

THAT Council directs staff to prepare the necessary by-law and documents to execute the contracts and agreements; and further

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents to execute the contracts and agreements.

CARRIED**2023 - 142****23-39**

Moved by DiMarco and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes Staff to prepare the necessary By-law(s) to lay out, establish and name the 0.3 metre Reserve described as Part 2 and 5, Plan 59R-12548 as Downs Drive.

CARRIED**BY-LAWS**

Moved Van Vliet and Moote

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.

23-40**BYL 2023 - 8**

A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Part of Lots 9, 10, 13, 16 and 17, Registered Plan 606, being Parts 1 to 6 (inclusive) on Plan 59R-17552, (72-80 Almond Street & 101-109 Downs drive), City of Welland.

23-39**BYL 2023 - 9**

A By-law to Lay Out, Establish and Name Part 2 and 5, Plan 59R-12548, being a 0.3 metre reserve for the City of Welland as Downs Drive.

CARRIED

Moved McLeod and Moote (in block)

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.

23-24

BYL 2023 - 10

A By-law to amend By-law 2020-140, being a By-law under the Building Code Act respecting Construction, Demotion, Change of Use, Occupancy, Transfer of Permits and Inspections.

CARRIED

Moved Setaram and Richard

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.

23-4

BYL 2023 - 11

A By-law to adopt the 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets.

(Councillor McLeod asked to be recorded as opposed to the By-law).

23-4

BYL 2023 - 12

A By-law to adopt the 2023 Water and Wastewater Operating and Capital Budgets and Water and Wastewater Rate Structure.

(Councillor McLeod asked to be recorded as opposed to the By-law).

20-97

BYL 2023 - 13

A By-law to authorize the transfer of lands from 555 Canal Bank Developments GP Inc. being Parts 1, 2, and 3 on Schedule A.

23-36

BYL 2023 - 14

A By-law to authorize entering into contract with Peters Excavating Inc. for the West Main Street Area Infrastructure Improvements Phase 1 Project.

23-36

BYL 2023 - 15

A By-law to authorize entering into contract with Kerry T. Howe Engineering Limited for Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the West Main Street Area Infrastructure Improvements Phase 1 Project.

23-36

BYL 2023 - 16

A By-law to authorize entering into a Cost Sharing Agreement with the Regional Municipality of Niagara for the West Main Street Area Infrastructure Improvements Phase 1 Project.

CARRIED

Moved McLeod and Setaram

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.

23-1

BYL 2023 - 17

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 7th day of February, 2023.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 21st day of February, 2023.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK