



**MINUTES OF THE
JANUARY 25, 2023 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
60 EAST MAIN STREET**

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 7:02 p.m. and in open session at 7:24 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

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

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, S. Zorbas

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 Planning and Development Services, G. Munday (7:14 p.m.)

Director of Community Services, R. Axiak

2023 - 7**23-25**

Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 7:02 p.m. to consider:

- proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
 - *South Niagara Rowing Club Agreement Update.*

2023 - 8**23-25**

Moved by Green and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 7:23 p.m. with report.

CARRIED**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE ADDED:**

21-30 Report CS-2023-03 – Emergency Homeless Shelter Update.

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23-13 Report CAO-2023-02 – Impact of Proposed 2023 Regional Transit Levy on Welland Taxpayers.

2023 - 9**02-160**

Moved by DiMarco and Chiocchio

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND suspend the rules of order to bring forward items 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3 from the January 17, 2023 Council agenda.

YEAS: Lee, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Richard, Setaram and Fokkens.

NAYS: McLeod, Grimaldi, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

**LOST
2/3 MAJORITY****2023 - 10****99-99**

Moved by Green and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the City of Welland's successful application to Infrastructure Canada (INFC) - Active Transportation Fund (ATF) for Two (2) Community Trail projects as mentioned in the City of Welland Community Trail Strategy, as shown in Appendix A; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws to enter into a contribution agreement with Infrastructure Canada (INFC) to be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk; and further

THAT Welland City Council approves the funding strategy as noted in the Financial Strategy section of Report CS-2023-01, including the pre-approval of the 2023 Capital Project - Community Trail Strategy Implementation 10-410-23417; and further

THAT Welland City Council approves as a single source, WSP for professional services as a continuation of services provided for this project as summarized in report CS-2023-01 at a total value of \$144,162.00.

CARRIED

2023 - 11

20-109

22-67

Moved by McLeod and Green

1. THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorize the direct appointment of Kerry T. Howe Engineering Limited (KTH) to provide professional consulting services for the Broadway Area Infrastructure Renewals Phase II design as per their proposal dated November 23, 2022, for an amount of \$67,000.00 excluding HST; and

2. THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws to enter into a contract with KTH to complete the described work; and further

3. THAT Welland City Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary documents and agreements for the contracts.

CARRIED

2023 - 12

21-30

Moved by Van Vliet and

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information an update on the Notice of Motion (NOM), as amended and passed by City Council on January 17, 2023, regarding the introduction of an Emergency Homeless Shelter at the Hooker Street Community Centre; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes staff to proceed with a facility permit between the City of Welland and The Hope Centre including the requirements summarized in report CS 2023-03; and further

THAT Welland City Council considers what success may look like to support staff's review and evaluation of this pilot project at its conclusion.

(Councillor Speck disclosed an interest in this matter, and did not take part in the consideration and discussion of same, and refrained from voting thereon, as his company supplies apparel to the Hope Centre).

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2023 - 13

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23-13

Moved by Grimaldi and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CAO-2023-02: Impact of Proposed 2023 Regional Transit Levy on Welland Taxpayers; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to forward a copy of the report to all members of Niagara Regional Council.

CARRIED

2023 - 14

23-31

Moved by Van Vliet and Richard

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND accepts the offer to purchase the city owned property located at 18 Rose Avenue; and further

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 this property into the Affordable/Attainable Housing Reserve Fund.

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23-31 Moved by McLeod and Moote
THAT the agreement includes a condition that in and out traffic on Rose Avenue be only for emergency vehicle access only.

LOST

FOLLOWING THE LOST VOTE TO AMEND, THE MAIN WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND

YEAS: Lee, Green, Speck, Chiocchio, Richard, Grimaldi, Setaram, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: McLeod, DiMarco, Fokkens and Moote.

CARRIED

2023 - 15

23-43 Moved by McLeod and Green
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2023-02, regarding the identification, removal, and prevention of barriers that affect electors and candidates with disabilities, as required under s.12.1(3) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.

CARRIED

2023 - 16

02-160 Moved by Speck and Van Vliet
THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND challenges the Chair on a ruling related to comments made by Member of Council.

LOST

BY-LAWS

Moved by McLeod and Green (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.

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22-67

BYL 2023 - 2

A By-law to authorize entering into contract with Kerry T.Howe Engineering Limited to provide professional consulting services for the Broadway Area Infrastructure Renewals Phase II Design Project.

CARRIED

Moved by McLeod and Green
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.

23-30

BYL 2023 - 3

A By-law to authorize entering into a Land Lease Agreement with South Niagara Rowing Club.

YEAS: Lee, Green, Chiocchio, McLeod, Richard, Grimaldi, Setaram, Moote, Van Vliet and Mayor Campion.

NAYS: Speck and Fokkens.

CARRIED

Moved by McLeod 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.

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BYL 2023 - 4

A By-law to authorize acceptance of an offer to purchase from Hamount Investments Ltd. for the sales of surplus land located at 18 Rose Avenue.

(Councillors Moote and McLeod asked to be recorded as opposed to the By-law).

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BYL 2023 - 5

A By-law to authorize entering into a Contribution Agreement with Infrastructure Canada for Community Trails Projects.

(Councillors Moote and McLeod asked to be recorded as opposed to the By-law).

CARRIED

Moved by Grimaldi and Richard

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 - 6

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 25th day of January, 2023.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 7th day of February, 2023.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK