

VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD MINUTES

Council Meeting –March 9, 2010

6:00 p.m. – Council Chambers, Point Edward Municipal Office
135 Kendall Street, Point Edward, Ontario

Council Members Present:

Mayor Kirkland
Councillor Hand

Deputy Mayor Robson
Councillor Churchill

Councillor MacKenzie

Staff Present:

CAO Cramp

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

PLANNING

Report from Dave Posliff, Manager of Planning and Development Services, County of Lambton
Re: Proposed Policy for Sidewalk Use.

Dave Posliff presented his report to Council regarding the proposed policy for use of Village sidewalks in the Michigan Ave. downtown area.

Councillor Churchill indicated that he likes the idea. It is the type of thing that you remember about lake-side places.

Mayor Kirkland noted that a lot of small towns and villages have outside patios.

Councillor Hand questioned whether or not there was sufficient room. D. Posliff indicated that the request by Roger Guindon was for approx. 4 tables. The sidewalk is 11.5 ft. in that area. They would use 6 ft., which would leave 5.5 ft. for the sidewalk.

Councillor MacKenzie suggested that a number of things must be considered:

- is the policy for property owners only? It could open up the flood gates;
- Where is the downtown area – Livingston to Monk – should it include the Ex-servicemen's Club?
- What policies will be in place for drinking alcohol outside the building;
- Will this cause any concerns for the chip trucks;
- Will it affect taxes;
- Will there be a specific square footage;
- Will there be a problem because the sidewalk width is not consistent so it may be allowed on one side of the street but not the other;
- The policy should include that this does not extend to chip trucks;
- Is there sufficient parking;
- What can be done from the houses in the Commercial zone;
- Can everyone be dealt with equally

Councillor MacKenzie indicated he is not against the proposal but there are a number of issues that should be addressed.

Resolution #1

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT Dave Posliff be directed to prepare policy guidelines and application procedures for a pilot project to allow a maximum of one mobile food cart and one sidewalk café for a one year trial period, with the results to be reviewed and evaluated following the 2010 summer season.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Bridgeview Graduation

Deputy Mayor Robson advised that a request had been obtained from Sharon Haslip and Vickie Huggett for a donation in the amount of \$400.00 to assist with the Bridgeview graduation as the costs have increased because they are unable to use the Community Hall due to renovations.

Resolution #2

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Village of Point Edward provide a donation in the amount of \$400.00 towards the costs of the Bridgeview graduation for this year only.

CARRIED.

Health and Safety

Resolution #3

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the proposal submitted by Grand River Occupational Health & Safety to meet all requirements of the Workwell Audit, be accepted; and further that the costs be paid from the 2009 Operating Budget surplus.

CARRIED.

Transit

Deputy Mayor Robson indicated that the transit use in the Village had increased by 2.5% for January, 2010.

Mailbox on Venetian Blvd.

Councillor MacKenzie asked that the location of the mailbox next to Blue Water Bridge Canada on Venetian Blvd. be reviewed as it may be a safety hazard.

Garage Sale Day

Councillor Hand brought forward a request to change the date for the garage sale day so that it is held when there is better weather. It was agreed that it would be difficult to change the date at this time as it is a tradition in the Village.

Arena Official Opening

The proposals for the Arena Official Opening on March 21, 2010 at 1 p.m. were reviewed by Council and accepted.

Police Services Board Conference

The agenda for the Conference was provided to Council so that they can decide which portions of the Conference that they would like to attend.

2010 Operating Budget

The 2010 Operating Budget is scheduled for March 23, 2010 at 9 a.m.

BY-LAWS

1. By-law No. 10 of 2010 being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted Up to and Including March 9, 2010.

Resolution #4

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT By-law No. 10 of 2010 being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted Up to and Including March 9, 2010, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 9th day of March, 2010.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCILLORS

There was no Business from Councillors at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #5

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:10 p.m. until the March 23, 2010 call of the Chair or at such time as a Special Committee meeting is held to discuss legal matters, property matters or personnel matters.

CARRIED.

Mayor Dick Kirkland

C.A.O./Clerk Peggy Cramp