

# VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD MINUTES

## Council Meeting – March 10, 2009

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

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### Council Members Present:

Mayor Kirkland                      Deputy Mayor Robson                      Councillor MacKenzie  
Councillor Hand                      Councillor Churchill

### Staff Present:

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### DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

### DELEGATIONS

Ed Teft, Joe Lopetrone and Joe Spinnato re: Proposed BWBC Soccer Pitches

### Resolution #1

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson  
Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie  
THAT Ed Teft and Joe Lopetrone, be invited within the bar.

CARRIED.

Mr. Teft advised that the BWBC is considering the placement of four soccer pitches on their land as per the site plan that has been submitted. They have reduced the number of fields being proposed from 5 to 4 and there will be no pavilion at this time. The parking is available on Alexandra Ave. as well as across the road in their parking lot where 60 spaces of a total of 170 spaces could be used for soccer. They plan to have crossing guards to assist with crossing at Venetian Blvd.

Councillor MacKenzie asked why there is no off-street parking created adjacent to the fields. Mr. Teft advised that it is not known if the soccer pitches will be in place over the long term.

Councillor MacKenzie noted that the fire training normally takes place along Alexandra Ave. and this year there will be further congestion as a result of the closure of a portion of Michigan Ave. for reconstruction.

Councillor MacKenzie asked what they planned for washrooms. Mr. Teft advised that port-a-johns would be available.

Mr. Teft noted that there is a 5 year commitment with the Sarnia Soccer Club before a permanent decision will be made.

Councillor MacKenzie asked about the need for storage of equipment. Mr. Teft advised that in the long term, a washroom and storage area may be needed.

Liability issues regarding the crosswalk were discussed.

Mayor Kirkland suggested that off street parking will be required if it is going to become permanent.

Councillor MacKenzie asked if they had advised Cantaleigh of their plans. They had not done so at this time.

It was agreed that if issues arose that they could be dealt with at the Technical Liaison meetings. At the end of the soccer season, there will be further discussions.

### **Resolution #2**

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT a Memorandum of Agreement be prepared to incorporate the requirements for the soccer pitches.

CARRIED.

### **PLANNING**

Report from Dave Posliff re: Planning Comment/Response and Recommendations to comments/input from the public on the proposed Official Plan for the Village of Point Edward.

Dave Posliff was present at the meeting to review the recommendations that he has made to the various comments and input from the public on the proposed Official Plan.

### **Resolution #3**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the recommendations made by Dave Posliff be circulated to those persons who have made comments regarding the proposed Official Plan for their comment.

CARRIED.

### **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

NIL

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 1. Transit Review

Deputy Mayor Robson advised that she has met with Sarnia Transit representatives to discuss changes in schedules to reduce costs. Further information will be provided.

**Resolution #4**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT no action be taken at this time with any replacement to the existing Sarnia Transit service; and that the existing service be reviewed to determine if there are any potential cost savings.

CARRIED.

2. BWBC request to install a 20 ft. x 20 ft sign adjacent to the Travel Information Centre

Further information is required regarding the proposed sign being considered by the BWBC.

3. Grant Application for Arena/Community Hall Renovation Grant

**Resolution #5**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT an application be prepared and submitted to request a grant for the Arena and Community Hall renovations.

CARRIED.

**BY-LAWS**

1. By-law No. 9 of 2009 being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted Up To and Including March 24, 2009.

**Resolution #6**

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT By-law No. 9 of 2009 being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted Up To and Including March 24, 2009, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

CARRIED.

**BUSINESS FROM COUNCILLORS**

**Bridgeview Public School**

Deputy Mayor Robson advised that she has spoken with the Principal of Bridgeview Public School regarding the closing of a room at the school for special needs children. She was advised that there are 5 children in the class at this time and they will be relocated to the school at Hanna and Errol Road. Two of these students will be graduating in June. The room is being closed because a full time teacher would be required for the classroom for the three remaining students.

Deputy Mayor Robson noted that the medically fragile class is over-full. She also noted that the attendance for the 2009/10 year is expected to decline to 153 students, which is down by about 1 ½ classes.

**Resolution #7**

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT a letter be sent to Director of Education to express Council's concern with the closure of the special needs classroom.

CARRIED.

**Budget Meeting**

The budget meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2009.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #8**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:20 p.m. until the March 24, 2009 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.

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Mayor Dick Kirkland

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C.A.O./Clerk Peggy Cramp