

VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD MINUTES

Council Meeting – May 9, 2006

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

Council Members Present:

Mayor Kirkland Deputy Mayor Robson Councillor MacKenzie
Councillor Bourrie Councillor Hand

Staff Present:

CAO Cramp

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

DELEGATIONS

1. Cathy Eyre, Supervisor and Jennifer Caley, Board President, Point Edward Nursery School
Re: Update on Business Plan

Resolution #1

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson
Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie
THAT Cathy Eyre and Jennifer Caley be invited within the Bar.

CARRIED.

Ms. Eyre advised that the Nursery School is continuing the procedures to establish a day care centre but require a permanent home. The Board of Education has given its approval but they require a definite drawing.

Mayor Kirkland advised that the Village has no Architect on staff.

Councillor Bourrie noted that this is private property. We can not work on areas within the private property. Peggy Van Mierlo-West could assist in finding the location of the services.

Mayor Kirkland asked who would fund the work.

Ms. Eyre advised that they would pay for the work from the grant that they already have but the drawings are not eligible for funding.

Ms. Eyre advised that the building would be leased from the manufacturer.

Ms. Eyre noted that the Board of Education has indicated that Tom Richards does their architectural drawings.

Deputy Mayor Robson suggested that it is likely a Site Plan that they would like to have.

Councillor Bourrie noted that the Village would have to provide approval to the Site Plan.

Councillor MacKenzie asked for the time frame of the project.

Ms. Eyre advised that she thought that it would be done by now. There are 41 children enrolled in the program, with 25 children being from Point Edward. There are 9 from Kindergarten and next year, there are 15 in Kindergarten. They must make a decision as to whether they stay at their present location which won't allow them to do everything they want or do they go elsewhere. The program works great with the School.

Councillor MacKenzie advised that they have no problem with the program. However, there are a lot of costs involved to make the tie-ins to the services. Where will the building be located?

Ms. Eyre advised that it will be placed at the back corner of Charles Street.

Councillor Bourrie commented that there is a major expense to cut into the pipes.

Councillor MacKenzie suggested that she contact Marty Raaymaker. He may possibly agree to volunteer to do some of the work.

Councillor Bourrie also suggested that Tom Collins from Collins & Ferreira be contacted.

Councillor MacKenzie commented that they would not like to find out that all the money gets tied up in the services. They should try to get some hard figures on the costs. This should be included in the business plan. If the information was available for next year's budget, it could be considered at that time.

Deputy Mayor Robson suggested that Ms. Eyre contact the Board's architect to find out what he has for drawings of the existing property and buildings. She also noted that this project came up at the School Council. According to the principal, School Council will be required to have input on what happens on the site. A deterrent was that it is not part of the Best Start program. Although some thought that it was a private enterprise, Deputy Mayor Robson advised them that it was a non-profit organization.

Ms. Eyre stated that she would make some calls. It will have to go back to the Board of Directions for a decision to proceed or stay as is.

PLANNING

1. Dave Posliff, Planning Update

The Official Plan was discussed as well as the work being completed on the zoning by-law.

Council felt that the work should continue so that it is ready to proceed once the land use study is completed by Richard Zelinka.

2. Discussion re: Economic Development Committee

Mr. Posliff advised that he has contacted Mike Ireland to see if he would be willing to assist with this project. They have a Technician on staff at the County who could do mapping and design work – streetscaping, signs, design, themes, etc. Mr. Posliff is willing to assist in any way that he can. He suggested that Building Improvement loans be considered for improvement of the facades. This would be similar to the Main Street program where the downtown areas are promoted. We can also look to success stories from other areas on raising the profile of their downtowns.

Councillor Bourrie noted that it is important to begin to concentrate on developments that the Village needs such as a grocery store, beer store and Bank. There are properties and the Village has its Tourism Designation.

COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL ACTION)

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Trees on Louisa Street

Resolution #2

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Bourrie

THAT the recommendations of the Public Works Committee regarding the trees on Louisa Street, be accepted.

CARRIED.

2. Sprinkler System

It was noted that the Capital Plan should include funds for Miscellaneous Park requirements because problems seem to occur in the spring of each year. He advised that the sprinkler heads are being plugged at least once per week with minnows and zebra mussels. It has been suggested that the existing sprinkler heads be replaced with a better head and that the existing sprinkler heads be used for the area that the new sprinklers will be installed this year.

Resolution #3

Moved by Councillor Bourrie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the existing sprinkler heads in the Waterfront Park be replaced at an estimated cost of \$2,500.; and further that the funds be taken from the Capital Expenditures Reserves.

CARRIED.

3. Playground – McCrae Park

The grass is growing up through the swing area at the McCrae Park playground area. To correct this problem, all of the sand and grass would have to be removed, filter cloth laid and new sand placed in the area.

Resolution #4

Moved by Councillor Bourrie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the work required at the playground area, be referred to the 2007 Capital Budget.

CARRIED.

4. Bleachers at McCrae Park

It was noted that the handrails are rusting through and bees are getting inside.

Resolution #5

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Bourrie

THAT the removal and replacement of the Bleachers at McCrae Park, be referred to the 2007 Capital Budget.

CARRIED.

5. Waterfront Trail Signs

Resolution #6

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Bourrie

THAT 12 Waterfront Trail signs be purchased at a cost of \$75.00 per sign plus taxes; and further that this be paid from the Shoreline Protection Capital account.

CARRIED.

BY-LAWS

1. By-law Number 19 of 2006, being a By-law to prohibit the use of a motorized bike or a motorized vehicle on the Village of Point Edward Walkway System

Resolution #7

Moved by Councillor Bourrie

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT By-law Number 19 of 2006, being a By-law to prohibit the use of a motorized bike or a motorized vehicle on the Village of Point Edward Walkway System, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 9th day of May, 2006.

CARRIED.

2. By-Law Number 20 of 2006, being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were adopted up to and including May 9, 2006.

Resolution #8

Moved by Councillor Bourrie

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT By-Law Number 20 of 2006, being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were adopted up to and including May 9, 2006, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 9th day of May, 2006.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Bourrie advised that he attended the Water Conference and they had great sessions. Details on all of the new legislation were provided and there was emphasis on Council and Operator responsibility. Larger fines and jail time for non-compliance has been emphasized. The importance of training and documentation was recommended. It was noted that because the Village forms part of LAWSS, Point Edward could become responsible for occurrences that take place in other areas of the LAWSS system.

Councillor Bourrie also commented that there is new legislation referred to as IGAP. Simcoe County is taking 4 municipalities from their County into one single tier government.

Councillor MacKenzie noted that extra grading will be required on the walkway from Lite Street to Highway 402.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #9

Moved by Councillor Bourrie

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned at 7:25 p.m. until the May 23, 2006 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

CAO Peggy Cramp