

VILLAGE OF POINT EDWARD
MINUTES

Council Meeting –July 28, 2009

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

Nil.

DELEGATIONS

Nil

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council meeting of July 14, 2009.

Resolution #1

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of July 14, 2009, be adopted.
CARRIED.

2. Council Meeting of June 23, 2009.

Resolution #2

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of June 23, 2009, be adopted.
CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. General Operations: Total Revenues for the month of June 2009.

Resolution #3

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Total Revenues for General Operations for the month of June, 2009 in the amount of \$1,370,473.50, be approved.

CARRIED.

General Operations: Total Expenditures for the month of June 2009.

Resolution #4

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Total Expenditures for General Operations for the month of June, 2009 in the amount of \$1,776,365.01, be approved.

CARRIED.

2. Water/WWTP Total Revenues for the month of June 2009.

Resolution #5

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Total Revenues for the Water/WWTP Departments for the month of June, 2009 in the amount of \$142,334.92, be approved.

CARRIED.

Water/WWTP: Total Expenditures for the month of June 2009.

Resolution #6

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Total Expenditures for the Water/WWTP Departments for the month of June, 2009 in the amount of \$57,670.09, be approved.

CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Police Services Board meeting minutes of June 9, 2009.

Resolution #7

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Police Services Board meeting minutes of June 9, 2009, be received and filed.
CARRIED.

2. Blue Water Bridge Technical Liaison Committee meeting minutes of June 24, 2009.

Resolution #8

Moved by Councillor Hand
Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Blue Water Bridge Technical Liaison Committee meeting minutes of June 24, 2009, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

3. Water/Waste Water Treatment Plant Committee meeting minutes of July 24, 2009.

Resolution #9

Moved by Councillor Hand
Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Water/Waste Water Treatment Plant Committee meeting minutes of July 24, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. Finance Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009.

Resolution #10

Moved by Councillor Churchill
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Finance Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

5. Parks Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009.

Resolution #11

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Parks Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

6. Public Works Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009.

Resolution #12

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Public Works Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

7. Fire Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009.

Resolution #13

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Fire Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

8. Arena/Community Hall Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009.

Resolution #14

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Arena/Community Hall Committee meeting minutes of July 14, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

1. News Release from the County of Lambton Office of the CAO re: Council Highlights
2. News Release from the County of Lambton Office of the CAO re: Council Highlights – Amended.
3. Point Edward Building Permits Issued for 2009 updated June 29, 2009.
4. Point Edward Plumbing Permits Issued for the month of June 2009.
5. Point Edward O.P.P. Police Services Board Report July 14, 2009.

Resolution #15

Moved by Councillor Hand

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Miscellaneous Reports (Items 1 – 5), be received and filed.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL ACTION)

1. Letter from Ah! Some Art re: garbage and parking issues.

Resolution #16

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the garbage and parking issues be referred to the Public Works Committee and be discussed at a meeting with the Michigan Ave. businesses to be arranged for September.

CARRIED.

2. Letter from County of Lambton Community Health Services Dept. re: West Nile Virus Information.

Resolution #17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the letter from County of Lambton Community Health Services Dept. re: West Nile Virus Information, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

3. Letter from Alim Nathoo re: request for recycling bins at the Waterfront Park.

Resolution #18

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT Alim Nathoo be advised that no changes to the existing recycling system in the Waterfront Park are being considered at this time.

CARRIED.

4. Memo from Haldimand County Disaster Relief Committee re: Donation request – Grand River Floor 2009.

Resolution #19

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the memo from Haldimand County Disaster Relief Committee, be referred to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

CARRIED.

5. Memo from Ontario Property and Environmental Rights Alliance re: Species habitat Regulations Emerging from Endangered Species Act 2007.

Resolution #20

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Memo from Ontario Property and Environmental Rights Alliance re: Species habitat Regulations Emerging from Endangered Species Act 2007, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

6. Resolution from the Township of Stirling-Rawdon re: Municipal Drinking Water Licensing Plan.

Resolution #21

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the Township of Stirling-Rawdon regarding the concerns with the costs and time to prepare the Operational Plans to meet the Municipal Drinking Water Licensing requirements.

CARRIED.

7. Resolution from the City of Welland requesting support re: Access to all Necessary Medical and Health Services Provided through the Hospital System.

Resolution #22

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the City of Welland to demand that an improved funding model be developed and implemented by the provincial government to ensure that every citizen has equal and reasonable access to all necessary medical and health services provided through the hospital system.

CARRIED.

8. Resolution from the Corporation of the Township of Woolwich requesting support re: Review of Chapter 27, Sec. 5(2) of the Development Charges Act 1997.

Resolution #23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT the Resolution from the Corporation of the Township of Woolwich requesting support re: Review of Chapter 27, Sec. 5(2) of the Development Charges Act 1997, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

9. Resolution from the Town of Innisfil requesting support re: Ontario's 2009 Budget – Harmonized Sales Tax Affects Electricity Rates Starting July 1, 2010.

Resolution #24

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Village of Point Edward Council support the resolution passed by the Town of Innisfil to request that the Province of Ontario exempt electricity sales from the provincial portion of the single harmonized sales tax at least until the stranded debt of Ontario Hydro is fully retired.

CARRIED.

10. Letter from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers re: Postal report says no to deregulation but threatens rural and small post offices and rural delivery – Federal government to decide what happens.

Resolution #25

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT the Letter from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers re: Postal report says no to deregulation but threatens rural and small post offices and rural delivery – Federal government to decide what happens, be received and filed.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVE AND FILE – LISTED

Listed as of July 23, 2009

1. News Release from the County of Lambton Housing Services Department re: Lambton County Council Moves forward with Demolition of Former Long-Term Care Home.
2. News Release from the County of Lambton Office of the County Warden re: Lambton County Receives News of Funding for Affordable Housing.
3. News Release from the Sarnia-Lambton Native Friendship Centre re: Sarnia-Lambton's New Best Start Early Learning and Care Centre Officially Opened by Minister Mathews and Government Officials.
4. Letter from Dalton McGuinty re: response to our letter of June 12th, 2009 regarding volunteer and part-time firefighters.
5. Letter from the Federal and Provincial Co-Chair re: Project #27824 – Venetian Blvd. Reconstruction.
6. Letter from the Ministry of Culture re: Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists.
7. Letter from Ministry of Natural Resources re: Annual Wildlife Rabies Control Operations for 2009.
8. Letter from the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation of Canada re: Draft Industry Stewardship Plan.
9. Message from Canada Mortgage and housing Corporation re: Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program.
10. Notice from Ontario's Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Infrastructure re: Infrastructure Stimulus Fund.
11. AMO Alert re: WDO Used Tire Plan Comes into Effect September 1, 2009.
12. AMO Alert re: Recreational Infrastructure Funding Announcements Now Underway.
13. AMO Alert re: Planning Act Survey.
14. AMO Alert re: Call for Applications for the Ontario Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Municipal Grant Program.

15. AMO Alert re: \$7 Million for Drinking Water Stewardship Available.
16. AMO FYI re: New OMKN Developments.
17. AMO FYI re: Creating Jobs: Delivering Results.
18. Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario re: OMERS Sponsors Corporation – Disposition of Contribution and Benefit Proposals.
19. AMO email re: 44 Municipalities have signed up for the Count Me In Challenge – will you?
20. AMO email re: LAS Energy Performance Benchmarking – Program Filling Up.
21. Email from St. Clair Child and Youth re: fundraising event.
22. Public Sector Strategic Planning Course re: Registration form and Agenda.
23. Ontario Power Generation VBO Performance Report.
24. Playworks Ontario information brochure and application form.
25. Sarnia Community Foundation Annual Report 2008.
26. Ontario Health re: order form for posters and brochures.
27. Canadian Nuclear Association 2009 pocket book on nuclear facts.

Resolution #26

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Communications (Receive and File – Listed), be received and filed.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Community School Alliance

Deputy Mayor Robson brought forward a resolution regarding the Community School Alliance.

Resolution #27

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT WHEREAS communities across Ontario are concerned with the Accommodation Review Committee process and the impact this flawed process has on the socio-economic fabric of our municipalities;

AND WHEREAS many schools are the hubs of their communities, a better accommodation review system is needed to address the educational facility needs of our residents;

AND WHEREAS a system to address the educational facility needs in Ontario must ensure that school boards and municipal councils partner on decisions regarding education infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS greater accountability for school board decisions is needed;

AND WHEREAS a thorough review of the governance model for school accommodation decisions must include an opportunity to appeal these decisions;

AND WHEREAS the accommodation review process should respect and value the input of students, parents, the community and municipality:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario be petitioned to implement a “smart moratorium” on disputed school closings to provide the opportunity for the Ministry of Education, school boards and municipalities to work together to develop policies addressing such issues as planning for declining enrolments, a mutually agreed upon Accommodation Review Committee process, a review of funding to rural and small community schools, and transparency and accountability between municipalities and school boards.

CARRIED.

Park Rental

Resolution #28

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the park rental not be reimbursed to the Optimist Club until such time as the costs of repair of the Waterfront Park are determined; and that the remainder be reimbursed.

Recorded Vote: Mayor Kirkland – Yes
Deputy Mayor Robson – Yes
Councillor MacKenzie – Yes
Councillor Churchill – Yes
Councillor Hand – Yes
CARRIED.

Resolution #29

Moved by Councillor Churchill

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT a meeting be arranged with representatives of the Optimist Club to explain concerns resulting from the use of the Waterfront Park for the Optimist Festival; and that in future years, meetings be re-established between the representatives of the Optimist Club and the O.P.P., Fire Department and Public Works.

CARRIED.

BY-LAWS

1. By-law No. 26 of 2009 being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted up to and Including July 28, 2009.

Resolution #30

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Hand

THAT By-law No. 26 of 2009 being a By-law to Confirm the Resolutions of Point Edward Council which were Adopted up to and Including July 28, 2009, be given a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READING and FINALLY PASSED this 28th day of July, 2009.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCILLORS

There was no business from Councillors at this time.

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO AN 'IN CAMERA' SESSION

Resolution #31

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor Churchill

THAT Council adjourn to an 'In Camera' session, at 7:55 p.m. to deal with a matter of solicitor-client privilege.
CARRIED.

RESOLUTION TO RECONVENE TO REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION

Resolution #32

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT Council reconvene to Regular Council Session, at 8:12 p.m.
CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE CLOSED SESSION MEETING OF COUNCIL

C.A.O. Cramp advised that there was nothing to report from the Closed Session.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE REPORT OF THE CLOSED SESSION

Resolution #33

Moved by Deputy Mayor Robson

Seconded by Councillor MacKenzie

THAT Council adopt the report of the closed session.
CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #34

Moved by Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Robson

THAT the Council Meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m. until the September 22, 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.

Mayor Dick Kirkland

C.A.O./Clerk Peggy Cramp