



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of LaSalle Council

May 14, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, LaSalle Civic Centre, 5950 Malden Road

Members of Council Present:

Mayor Crystal Meloche, Councillor Terry Burns, Councillor Mark Carrick, Councillor Sue Desjarlais, Councillor Jeff Renaud, Councillor Anita Riccio-Spagnuolo

Members of Council Absent:

Deputy Mayor Michael Akpata

Administration Present:

P. Marra, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, J. Astrologo, Director of Council Services/Clerk, G. Beggs, Director of Planning and Development, D. Davies, Chief of Police, P. Funaro, Director of Culture & Recreation, D. Hadre, Director of Strategy and Engagement, R. Hyra, Director of Human Resources, D. Langlois, Director of Finance and Treasurer, J. Osborne, Director of Public Works, E. Thiessen, Director of Fire Service/Fire Chief, M. Beggs, Manager of Roads & Parks, D. Dadalt, Legal Counsel, G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, L. Jean, Deputy Clerk

A. Opening Business

1. Call to Order

Mayor Meloche called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Meloche read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

3. Moment of Silent Reflection and Playing of National Anthem

B. Adoption of Agenda

108/24

Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That the May 14, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

C. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

1. Councillor Carrick - Malden Rd Phase 1 Project Update

Councillor Carrick's family member owns property on Malden Road.

D. Adoption of Minutes

109/24

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held April 23, 2024, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

E. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Meloche reminded residents that Victoria Day is this Monday, May 20, and the Municipal Offices and the Vollmer Centre will be closed. Waste collection scheduled for Monday will be moved to Tuesday, May 21, and Tuesday's collection will be moved to Wednesday, May 22.

Mayor Meloche wished everyone a safe and happy long weekend and noted that the Vollmer splash pad and volleyball courts open this upcoming Friday. She also reminded residents that the first LaSalle Night Market of the summer will be held on Sunday, May 26. Night Markets are held on the last Sunday of each month through to September.

National Public Works Week is from May 19-25, with the theme "Advancing Quality of Life for All." Mayor Meloche highlighted the contributions of public work professionals in enhancing the community's quality of life through services such as transportation, water, waste management, parks, trails, and emergency management.

Mayor Meloche noted that Deputy Mayor Akpata was off on personal time.

F. Public Meetings and/or Hearings

None.

G. Presentations and Delegations

None.

H. Staff Reports and Correspondence for Council's Action

1. 2023 4th Quarter Report

D. Langlois, Director of Finance/Treasurer, presented the report.

110/24

Moved by: Councillor Burns

Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the report of the Supervisor of Accounting dated April 26, 2024 (FIN-12-2024) regarding the 2023 4th Quarter Report be received;

And that Council approves and adopts the Capital Fund Analysis, Reserves, Reserve Fund and Deferred Revenue Schedule and the Cash and Investments Report for the year ended December 31, 2023;

And that Council authorizes Administration to amend the schedules for the activity associated with Essex Power Corporation.

Carried.

2. Inclusive Community Grant Application

P. Funaro, Director of Culture and Recreation, presented the report.

Councillor Burns requested that a copy of the grant application be sent to Hon. Raymond Sung Joon Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility.

111/24

Moved by: Councillor Burns

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That the report of the Director of Culture and Recreation and Director of Public Works dated April 10, 2024 (CR-2024-14) regarding The Inclusive Community Grants program be received;

And that administration be authorized to work with the LaSalle Rowing Club to submit an application to the Inclusive Community Grants Program for accessibility renovations to the Riverdance facility.

Carried.

3. Cabot Street Watermain Rehabilitation

J. Osborne, Director of Public Works, presented the report.

112/24

Moved by: Councillor Burns

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the report of the Manager of Engineering dated April 14, 2024 (PW-15-2024) regarding the Cabot Street Watermain Rehabilitation be received;

And that Council approves the award of the Watermain Contract to Major Construction (2010) Ltd. for the bid price of \$386,846.50 plus HST;

And that this amount be funded from the 2024 Watermain Replacement Project, which is part of the approved 2024 Capital Budget.

Carried.

4. Healing Hearts Forest Upgrades and Tree Memorial Program Discontinuance

P. Marra, Deputy CAO, presented the report.

113/24

Moved by: Councillor Carrick

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That the report of the Deputy CAO dated April 24, 2024 (AD-2024-10) regarding the Healing Hearts Forest Upgrades and the existing Tree Memorial Program be received;

And that Council approves the upgrades to the Healing Hearts gazebo, being the installation of stone columns and memorial railings;

And that the Healing Hearts Forest Memorial Program be initiated and Administration be directed to prepare a Healing Hearts Forest Memorial Program Policy for Council consideration at a future meeting;

And that the existing Tree Memorial Program be discontinued after the 2024 fall planting season.

Carried.

5. Malden Rd Phase 1 Project Update

Councillor Carrick declared a conflict on this item. (Councillor Carrick's family member owns property on Malden Road.)

Councillor Carrick exited the meeting at 6:25 p.m. for the duration of the discussion.

J. Osborne, Director of Public Works, presented the report.

114/24

Moved by: Councillor Burns

Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the report of the Director of Public Works, dated April 24, 2024, (PW-16-2024) regarding an update on the status of the Malden Road Phase 1 Reconstruction Project, be received.

Carried.

Councillor Carrick returned to the Meeting at 6:29 p.m.

6. Alternating Parking Request – Sacred Heart

M. Beggs, Manager of Roads, presented the report.

115/24

Moved by: Councillor Burns

Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That the report of the Manager of Roads and Parks dated April 11, 2024 (PW-10-2024) regarding the request for alternating parking on Sacred Heart be received;

And that Council approves the implementation of alternating parking on Sacred Heart from Michigan, moving easterly to end;

And that the corresponding by-law be adopted at a future Council Meeting.

Carried.

I. Consent Agenda

1. LaSalle Fire Service – Q1 2024 Report

2. Correspondence

a. Town of Goderich - Phase-Out of Free Well Water Testing

b. Town of Goderich - OW and ODSP Rates

c. City of Peterborough - Amend the Ombudsman Act

d. Municipality of West Perth - Conservation Authorities Act

e. City of St. Catherines - Restrict Keeping of Non-native ("exotic") Wild Animals

f. Loyalist Township - Housing Funding

3. Summary of Reports to Council

116/24

Moved by: Councillor Carrick

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That items 1 through 3 on the Consent Agenda for May 14, 2024, be received.

Carried.

J. Committee Matters

1. Essex County Council Highlights for April 17, 2024

117/24

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the Essex County Council Highlights for April 17, 2024, be received.

Carried.

K. Questions and Statements by Council Members

None.

L. Notices of Motion

At the next Regular Meeting, Councillor Carrick may move or cause to have moved:

That the Town of LaSalle donate \$1000 for a bronze sponsorship to the Maryvale Gala, with the funds going towards providing mental health services to the youth in the Windsor-Essex County area.

M. Closed Session

None.

N. By-laws

118/24

Moved by: Councillor Carrick

Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the following By-laws be given a first, second, and third reading and finally passed:

8881 - A By-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement between Major Construction (2010) Ltd. and the Corporation of the Town of LaSalle for the RFT-PW05-2024 - Cabot Avenue Watermain Reconstruction

8882 – A By-law to stop up, close and sell an alley system running east-west lying south of lots 1408 to 1410, Registered Plan 793, LaSalle

8883 – A By-law to amend the Forest Trails Phase 3 Subdivision Agreement

8884 – A By-law to stop up, close and sell an alley system running north-south lying east of lots 470 to 476, both inclusive, and Part of Lot 477, Registered Plan 1030, LaSalle

8885 - A By-Law to authorize the execution of a Developer's Severance Agreement with 2312205 Ontario Ltd.

8886 – A By-law to repeal By-law 8559

Carried.

O. Confirmatory By-law

119/24

Moved by: Councillor Burns

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That Confirmatory By-law 8887 be given a first, second, and third reading and finally passed.

Carried.

P. Schedule of Meetings

Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting, May 15, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Committee of Adjustment, May 22, 2024 5:00 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting May 28, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Q. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair at 6:44 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk